

**Minutes of the Environment & Planning Committee held on Thursday 23
June 2022 at 6.30pm**

Present: Cllr Campbell, Cllr Irven, Cllr Johnson, Cllr Westcott (Chair), and Cllr Whetlor

In attendance: Jo Grellier, Deputy Clerk

22/13B **To receive apologies for absence: (LGA 1972, section 85 (1))**
Cllr Westcott proposed that *'apologies given by Cllr Moss and Cllr Murphy are accepted'*.
Seconded by Cllr Irven. Carried.

22/14B **To receive any Declaration of Interests** under Watchet Town Council's Code of Conduct
(Adopted on 9 July 2012) issued in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 and the Relevant Authorities
(Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012 Si No: 1464

Cllr/s	Item no. (s)	Personal or Personal & Prejudicial	Action taken
Cllr Whetlor	22/17B (i) Member of SW&T Planning committee	Personal & Prejudicial	Cllr remained in the meeting but did not take part in the discussion
Cllr Whetlor	All plans Received for discussion	Personal & Prejudicial	Cllr remained in the meeting but did not take part in the discussion
Cllr Campbell & Cllr Johnson	22/23B (i) Car park tenants	Personal	Cllrs remained in the meeting and took part in the discussion and voting

22/15B **To receive and sign the minutes of the previous Environment and Planning meeting - (23 May 2022)** and adopt the Resolutions and Recommendations contained therein. (LGA 1972, SCH12 Para 41 (1))
Cllr Westcott proposed that *'the minutes of the meeting held 23 May 2022 area adopted as a true and correct record'*. Seconded by Cllr Irven. Carried.

22/16B **To appoint 1 member to join the Chair of Committee onto the Asset Management Committee** – by formal proposal
Cllr Westcott proposed that *'this item is deferred until next month when absent councillors have returned as all members present at the meeting are already members of the Committee'*. Seconded by Cllr Irven. Carried.

22/17B **Cleeve Hill Development:**
(i) Update – *Paperwork circulated to members prior to the meeting via Appendix 1*
Members noted that an email has been sent to the newly Elected leader some Somerset Council to update on the current concerns of the Council.

22/18B **Cleeve Hill Weight Limit**
(i) Update – *Paperwork circulated to members prior to the meeting via Appendix 2*
Members noted an update from Somerset County Council detailing a new road closer barrier system and sign location.

22/19B **Traffic Evaluation Working Group:**
(i) Update – nothing to report to date

22/20B **Footpath at Seaview Terrace** – *verbal update by the Committee Clerk*
The Committee Clerk reported the following;

- Email received from land agents following their Trustees meeting - The matter was raised and have been provided with all authority to get this smatter progressed as soon as possible. – will await a further update

22/21B **Anchor Street junction:**

(i) Update – Verbal from the Committee Clerk

The Committee Clerk reported the following;

- Email sent to Somerset Highways requesting an update but no response to date

20/22B **Exclusion of Press and Public**

"That in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the public be temporarily excluded, and they are instructed to withdraw" (Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960

Cllr Westcott proposed that ***in view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted that Standing Order 1c is invoked and the public are instructed to withdraw from the meeting***'. Seconded by Cllr Johnson. Carried.

22/23BEX **West Street Car Park:**

(i) Subsidence monitoring update - Paperwork circulated to members prior to the meeting via **Appendix 3**
Members discussed the adjoining areas of the Subsidence monitoring drone data collection

Cllr Westcott proposed that ***'the public are readmitted to the meeting'***. Seconded by Cllr Whetlor. Carried.

22/24B **To address items received from the planning authority requiring attention prior to the next Somerset West & Taunton / Somerset County Council / planning meetings: Nothing to report**

Cllr Whetlor left the meeting at 6.40pm

Plans received for discussion

- 3/37/22/005 **East Quay, Harbour Road, Watchet (amended)**
Display of 22 No. non illuminated Information boards fixed to marina fencing describing the town's paper making history and maritime history
The Committee has no objections to this application.
- 3/37/22/006 **9 Causeway Terrace, Watchet, TA23 0HP**
Erection of first floor extension and loft extension
The Committee recommends approval.
- 3/37/22/007 **48 Swain Street, Watchet, TA23 0AG**
Change of use from Class C1, guesthouse, to Class C3, holiday let
The Committee recommends approval.
- 3/37/22/008 **57 Helwell Street, Watchet, TA23 0FB**
Installation of gable window and Juliet balcony on the north elevation
The Committee recommends approval.

22/25B **Matters for the next meeting** – verbal, no discussion

- Climate Change – Electric car charging point grant
- Doniford Road Speeding
- Allotments
- Liaise with Clerk

The meeting closed at 6.50pm

Signed..... *D. S. Westcott*

Date..... *21.7.22*

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