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Minutes

Meeting of : Planning Committee
Date : 7 June 2021
Meeting held : The Guildhall
Commencing at : 6:30pm

Present:

Chair: Cllr T Corbin Vice Chair: J Broom

Cllrs: A Bayliss, C Hibbert, J King, M Mewse, A Riddle, C Stanway and I Tomes.

Also present: Cllr B Dalton.

Officers: J Whitty and Y Pustarnakov.

1799. **Apologies:**

1799.1. Cllr Nettle gave his apology and was substituted by Cllr King.

1800. **Public Questions/Statement Time:**

1800.1. The Pearce family, Mr and Mrs Coates, the Kingsley-Smith Family, and Ms Smith submitted statements in support of agenda item 11. These statements are attached at the end of this minutes.

1801. **Councillor Questions/Statement Time:**

1801.1. There were no questions or statements submitted by the Councillors.

1802. **Minutes of the Previous Meeting:**

1802.1. The minutes of the previous meeting of the Planning Committee held on 24 May 2021 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

1803. **Declarations of Interest:**

1803.1. Cllr King declared non-pecuniary interest in planning application [21/01697/FUL](#).

1804. **Dispensations:**

1804.1. No dispensations were requested.

1805. **Chairman's Announcements:**

1805.1. The Chairman reminded Councillors about the upcoming induction evening on Wednesday 9 June, which will focus on the planning process, and Salisbury Neighbourhood Development Plan (SNDP).

1805.2. The Chairman invited members of the Planning Committee to join SNDP. Please [click here](#) for more information about SNDP.

1806. **Salisbury City Planning Applications submitted since 21 May:**

The Committee considered the following applications and it was:

Resolved that:

Minute number	Application number	Site Address and Proposal	Comments
Bemerton Heath			
N/A			
St Francis and Stratford			
N/A			
Milford			
1806.1.	21/01697/FUL	St Marks Church, St Marks Avenue, Salisbury, Wilts, SP1 3DL Placement of a wooden ark in garden	SCC supports this application.
Fisherton and Bemerton Village			
1806.2.	PL/2021/05300	Bemerton Heath Surgery, Pembroke Road, Bemerton Heath, Salisbury, Wilts, SP2 9DJ Two storey rear extension to existing	SCC objects to this application because of overdevelopment, overlooking, and the development being

		surgery.	overbearing on the adjacent properties.
St Pauls			
1806.3.	PL/2021/05617	LAND NORTH OF STATION THEATRE, ASHLEY ROAD, SALISBURY T1 - T3 Willows - Re pollard to previous points. or nearest sound wood T2 Reduce weight on limb over path to just below union T4 - Remove recently split section & create pollard 5 to 6m above ground level	SCC has no comment to make on this application.
St Edmund's			
1806.4.	PL/2021/05375	55 WYNDHAM ROAD, SALISBURY, SP1 3AH T1 (Lime) - Remove one low limb due to decay and its situation over the public footpath..	SCC has no comment to make on this application.
1806.5.	PL/2021/04227	10 Queen Street Salisbury SP1 1EY Minor alteration of shop front to add pedestrian door to far left of main facade. Internal alterations to provide access corridor and new stair to first floor. Removal of existing modern stair. Addition of lobby divisions on flat stair. Creation of en suite to 3rd floor rear bedroom. Change of use of first floor from redundant shop store to accommodation	SCC has no comment to make on this application.
1806.6.	PL/2021/05581	10 Queen Street Salisbury SP1 1EY Minor alteration of shop front to add pedestrian door to far left of main facade. Internal alterations to provide access corridor and new stair to first floor. Removal of existing modern stair. Addition of lobby divisions on flat stair. Creation of en suite to 3rd floor rear bedroom. Change of use of first floor from redundant shop store to accommodation	SCC has no comment to make on this application.
Harnham West			
N/A			

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1806.7.	PL/2021/05409	St Ann Street, Salisbury, SP1 2DX Silver Birch tree (T1) - reduce by up to 3m from extremities..	SCC has no comment to make on this application.
1806.8.	PL/2021/04259	28 LIME KILN WAY, HARNHAM, SALISBURY, SP2 8RN Single storey front extension.	SCC has no comment to make on this application.

1807. **Late Business:**

The Committee considered late business and it was:

Minute number	Application no.	Ward	Development	Comment
1807.1.	PL/2021/04525	Bemerton Heath	19 Maryland Close Bemerton Heath Salisbury SP2 9JD Single story rear and side extension	SCC has no comment to make on this application.
1807.2.	PL/2021/05717	St. Paul's	4 THE PARAGON, WILTON ROAD, SALISBURY, SP2 7EH T1 Fell due to limbs failing on parked car, native tree to be replaced and replanted .	SCC has no comment to make on this application.
1807.3.	PL/2021/04392	St. Francis & Stratford ED	Site adjacent to Sandon, Mill Lane, Stratford Sub Castle, Salisbury, SP1 3LJ Erection of new detached neo-traditional house with associated services. Access road, x 2 car parking spaces and turning area.	SCC has no comment to make on this application.
1807.4.	PL/2021/04445	St. Francis & Stratford	135 Castle Road Salisbury SP1 3RR Extension to south gable to provide storage at Lower Ground floor, enlarged living accommodation to Ground floor and additional bedroom and bathroom at First floor. Widening of vehicle	SCC has no comment to make on this application.

			access to off-road car parking space.	
1807.5.	PL/2021/04562	Fisherton & Bemerton Village	41 New Zealand Avenue Salisbury SP2 7JX Loft conversion including rear hip to gable, side garage extension and associated works.	SCC objects to this application because it is up to the property boundary line, therefore overbearing on the adjacent property.
1807.6.	19/09067/FUL	Milford	107 Milford Hill Salisbury SP1 2QX Demolition of existing dwelling and construction of terrace of 3 dwellings with double garage/parking spaces (x6)	SCC objects to this application because of overdevelopment and the development being overbearing on the adjacent properties.
1807.7.	PL/2021/05624	Harnham West	MANOR FARM, LOWER STREET, HARNHAM, SALISBURY, SP2 8EY T1 - Cypress - fell to ground level..	SCC has no comment to make on this application.
1807.8.	PL/2021/04591	Milford	1 VENTRY CLOSE, SALISBURY, SP1 3ES Proposed single storey side extension and associated works.	SCC objects to this application because the development is up to the boundary line.

1808. **Laverstock & Ford Communities Neighbourhood Plan pre-submission consultation:**

The Committee considered Laverstock & Ford Communities Neighbourhood Plan pre-submission consultation, and it was

Resolved that:

- 1808.1. The Chairman invited members of the Planning Committee to attend Laverstock & Ford Communities Neighbourhood Plan pre-submission consultation virtual Q&A session on Friday 11 June at 6:00 to 7:00pm.
- 1808.2. The Chairman invited members of the Planning Committee to send Officers their comments on the Draft Plan. These comments will be reviewed by the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the committee to then form the basis of SCC's response to the pre-submission consultation.

1809. **Highways Improvement Request Form:**

The Committee considered Highways Improvement Request Form for an area near Portland Avenue on Coombe Road, and it was

Resolved that:

1809.1. SCC supports this application.

1810. **Waiting Restriction Application:**

1810.1. The Chairman informed the Committee that this item could not be discussed at this meeting because relevant documents were not circulated in time. This agenda item has therefore been deferred for discussion to the next Planning Committee in July.

1811. **Matters, if any, which by reason of special circumstances the Chairman decides should be considered as a matter of urgency:**

1811.1 Nil

There were 4 members of the public and 1 member of the press present.

The meeting closed at 7.34pm.

Public Statements on Agenda Item 11

The first statement will be read to committee by Louise Pearce. The other two statements are from residents who are unable to attend tonight's meeting.

Coombe Rd Crossing

There is widespread support in the local area for highway improvement that enables safer crossing of Coombe Rd in the vicinity of Portland Ave, as well as concomitant measures that assist with traffic calming including enforcement of the 30 mph speed limit.

Coombe Rd is a busy area for pedestrians. In particular it is used by the residents of Coombe Rd itself, Portland Ave, the Harnham Heights estate, and Bouverie Ave/Bouverie Ave Sth & beyond, including Old Blandford Rd. Residents in those outlying areas make extensive use of the various footpaths that link them to Coombe Rd itself. There is also considerable use of the bus stops on Coombe Rd that connect the area to Salisbury and to Blandford and beyond. The requirement to cross the busy Coombe Rd is particularly important for schoolchildren (an increasing population segment in the area), dogwalkers (who then access the footpaths and fields, including Lime Kiln Reserve to the South and SouthEast), and for those using the bus services.

Currently, crossing is hazardous, owing to limited safe crossing areas, which is exacerbated by heavy traffic and excessive speeding, particularly by vehicles exiting Salisbury – a fact evidenced by the number of temporary 30mph signs self-installed by residents. The traffic density, including of heavy freight, has noticeably increased on this busy A Road year on year.

A secondary effect of an effective crossing would be would be a reduction in vehicular traffic from local residents, as they, especially parents of schoolchildren, would feel safer, thus allowing their children to either walk or catch the bus to school and/or into the city centre.

In sum, a safe crossing area with associated traffic calming and speed enforcement measures is required soonest on Coombe Rd in the vicinity of Portland Ave. It would represent a significant, inexpensive and widely supported positive well-being enhancement measure for community and highway safety, with no obvious negative aspects.

The Pearce Family

My husband and I live at Fairlands, Coombe Road, with our two young daughters. In truth, the road terrifies us. The speed in which vehicles race through is astonishing considering it is a bustling built up area correctly categorised at 30mph. This is exacerbated by the fact there are no formal speed limit signs after Exeter Street roundabout.

The nearest crossing for the residents at the south of Coombe Road is highly dangerous. It is embedded within a raised walkway that runs parallel to the top of Portland Avenue. The placement means that waiting pedestrians are completely hidden from view and, therefore, the traffic cannot be observed without stepping into the road. It also happens to be set in a bend with limited visibility due to the shadows cast from the surrounding mature woodland. Considering its heavy use by families heading towards the Infant and Junior Schools as well as dog walkers on their way

to Cranbourne Chase, it is a serious accident waiting to happen. We are proposing moving this crossing to near the entrance of Portland Avenue where visibility is significantly better for both cars and pedestrians; this stretch of road is straight and brightly lit, and there is ample space to wait and observe the traffic safely. There is already a path there that links Bouverie Avenue South to Coombe Road on one side and a bus stop on the other. Moving the crossing would also have a traffic calming impact on the stretch where it is most needed. Thank you for taking the time to understand and resolve this hazardous predicament.

Yours sincerely,

Sophie and Richard Coates

The traffic on Coombe Road continues to be a great concern to my family and our neighbours. Five years ago, I first raised my concerns with the local council about the speed of the traffic, and the lack of pavement on the side of the road in which our home stands. The council informed me that it was a Highways England issue, to which I was told by the agency that the streetlights along the road provides adequate information to motorists that the road is a 30 miles per hour zone. Having three daughters, who all cross the road daily to commute to school, the lack of crossing, pavement and official speed signs is creates great concern and anxiety. Currently our children are at three different schools and cross the road at different points in the morning and afternoon. I still walk our youngest child, who is in her final year at primary school, each morning and there have been occasions where we have waited up to five minutes to wait for a time where the traffic has calmed and slowed enough until it is safe for us to cross. One of the greatest issues is judging the speed in which the traffic is traveling. If traffic is travelling at the speed limit (which is rare), then you are able to calculate where vehicles are to how long you have to cross the road. However, when traffic has speeds varying from 30 to 60 miles per hour, it is impossible to teach this skill to my children. I fear the day that they make a miscalculation and their lives (and ours) are potentially ended due to an unthinkable accident. I do hope you agree with our request for traffic calming measures and a pedestrian crossing and agree that it this will be beneficial to the large community that enjoy walking around the local area.

The Kingsley-Smith Family

Public Statements on Agenda Item 11

This statement has been submitted after Friday deadline. However, it was included in this minutes at the request of the Chairman.

Anita Smith
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Safer crossing on Coombe Road

We are a family of 5 and moved to Coombe Road just over a year ago. Our three children grew up in a small village, so the ever increasingly busy road has always been our concern, but even more so that our teenage daughter has started to walk to college and having to cross the road at such a busy time of the day when traffic is at its peak where many cars whizz past our houses not keeping to general speed limit, but focusing on their commute.

Our 11 year old son will be soon also walking to the bus stop, travelling to his school daily and clearly it worries me hugely having to cross our busy road without any safe crossing.

Pulling out from our drive- ways is also very challenging due to many cars speeding .

I really feel , there is an urgent need to tackle this problem and come up with speed slowing solutions and a safe crossing station.

Sadly we lost cats being run over on our road, and we don't want to get to a time where God forbid, a person would get run over.

The Smith family