

SWT Planning Committee - 2 September 2021

Present: Councillor Simon Coles (Chair)

Councillors Marcia Hill, Ian Aldridge, Mark Blaker, Roger Habgood, John Hassall, Mark Lithgow, Craig Palmer, Ray Tully, Sarah Wakefield, Brenda Weston and Loretta Whetlor

Officers: Rebecca Miller (Principal Planning Specialist), Alison Blom-Cooper (Assistant Director), Martin Evans (Shape Legal Partnership), Denise Todd (Planning Specialist), Briony Waterman (Planning Specialist),

Sarah Wilsher (Planning Officer), Tracey Meadows (Governance and Democracy) and Marcus Prouse (Specialist, Governance and Democracy)

Also Present: Adam Garland (Somerset County Council Highways) via Zoom

(The meeting commenced at 1.00 pm)

41. Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillors Firmin and Morgan.

42. Minutes of the previous meeting of the Planning Committee

(Minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on 12 August (to be approved at the meeting on the 23 September.

43. Declarations of Interest or Lobbying

Members present at the meeting declared the following personal interests in their capacity as a Councillor or Clerk of a County, Town or Parish Council or any other Local Authority:-

Name	Application No.	Description of Interest	Reason	Action Taken
Cllr M Blaker	09/21/0007	Ward Member	Personal	Spoke and Voted
Cllr S Wakefield	3/39/20/008	Previously acted for the Applicant. Discretion not fettered	Personal	Spoke and Voted
Cllr L Whetlor	3/39/20/008	Ward Member	Personal	Spoke and Voted

44. Public Participation

Application No.	Name	Position	Stance
09/21/0007	Mr and Mrs Morrow	Applicants	In favour

45. **3/39/20/008**

Outline planning application with all matters reserved, except for access, for the redevelopment of the site to provide a food store E(a), retail shops E(a), professional and financial services E(c)(i),(ii) and (iii), food and drink uses E(b), health services E(e), residential dwellings (C3) (no change), vehicle and pedestrian accesses, associated car parking and landscaping." Land off Bank Street with link to Fore Street, Williton

Comments from members of the public included;

- This development would re-establish the economy of Williton as residents would not have to travel to Minehead to shop;
- Concerns with getting in and out of the site;
- Highway concerns regarding increased traffic/HGV's and the tightness of the roundabout;
- The development would increase employment in Williton;
- The roundabout could be made larger by demolishing one of the surrounding buildings;
- Concerns with delivery and operational hours;

Councillor Hill proposed and Councillor Habgood seconded a motion for the Application to be **APPROVED** subject to the Conditions set out and a S106 to secure the following;

- The Travel Plan
- The access junction works
- The pedestrian link to Fore Street
- Local Employment Agreement

(The Committee suggested that the owner had meaningful discussions with SCC Highways to ensure the best use of the land available to make traffic movements safer in that area)

The **Motion** was carried

46. **3/07/21/007**

Erection of a first floor balcony extension to clubhouse with siting of additional 34 No. static caravan pitches and changes to internal road layout at Quantock Orchard Caravan Park, Station Road, Crowcombe, TA4 4AW

Comments from Members included;

- Concerns with increased traffic to the site;

- Concerns with odour control;
- Concerns that the maximum length of occupancy did not exceed 11 months;
- Sewage concerns;
- Tree screening should be replaced;

Councillor Hill proposed and Councillor Habgood seconded a motion for the Application to be **APPROVED** subject to Conditions and for Condition 8 to be tightened up to include Odour Control.

The **Motion** was carried

47. **09/21/0007**

Erection of a single storey extension to the rear of The Old Waterworks, Chipstable Road, Chipstable

Comments from members of the public included;

- The previous building was a drab rendered utility building with no windows and only one key feature;
- The slate gable roof would be kept and mirrored on the extensions;
- An unloved, ugly building would be transformed into an attractive family home;
- Local stone would be used to build the stone walls and patios;
- This build was supported by the Parish Council and the local community;

Comments from Members included;

- The building was very tasteful;
- Glad to see that the building was being brought back into use;

Councillor Hill proposed and Councillor Habgood seconded a motion for Conditional Approval to be **APPROVED**

The **Motion** was carried.

48. **Latest appeals and decisions received**

Latest appeals and decision received noted.

(The Meeting ended at 2.30 pm)