

Minutes of the **PLANNING AND ESTATES COMMITTEE** held on **MONDAY 23 JANUARY 2023** at Evesham Town Hall, Council Chamber at 6.30pm.

Chairman: Cllr A. Booth

Vice Chairman:

Councillors: Cllr M. Goodge (Mayor), Cllr Sarah Schaathun (Deputy Mayor)  
Cllr R. Hale, Cllr W Kimberley, Cllr C Smith,  
Cllr Jenny Johnson, Cllr Tim Haines, Cllr Peter Knight

Officers: Josephine Adams – Town Clerk  
Carol Chambers - Committee Clerk

Those present: Cllr J Haines

#### **104. Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were submitted by Cllr Wendy Dyke

#### **105. Declarations of pecuniary or other interest including requests for dispensation (if any) None**

#### **106. Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

Minutes of the Previous Meeting held on 19 December 2022 had been circulated with the agenda. It was moved, seconded and **RESOLVED** that the minutes be adopted as a true record.

#### **107. Planning Applications**

- a. Application Number W/22/02527/FUL - Bengeworth Ward  
Applicant Mr Richard Lanyon, Away Cheltenham Ltd  
Location Address 4 Swan Lane Evesham WR11 4PA  
Proposal Change of use from Retail E(a) class to self storage B8 use class and one single storey rear yard extension.  
<https://plan.wychavon.gov.uk/Planning/Display/W/22/02527/FUL>

It was moved, seconded and **RESOLVED** to recommend that this application be approved.

- b. Application Number W/22/02645/HP - Bengeworth Ward  
Applicant Mr Adam Willington  
Location Address 3 Tamar Place Evesham WR11 3FD  
Proposal Single storey rear and side extensions to create open plan kitchen/living, dining room and utility room.  
<https://plan.wychavon.gov.uk/Planning/Display/W/22/02645/HP>

It was moved, seconded and **RESOLVED** to recommend that this application be approved.

- c. Application Number W/22/02646/CU - Evesham North Ward  
Applicant Merkur Slots Ltd (UK)  
Location Address 1-3 Swan Lane Evesham WR11 4PA  
Proposal Change of use of the basement, ground and first floor from vacant offices (Class E) to Adult Gaming Centre (Sui Generis) - Variation of Condition 2 of 20/02349/CU to allow 24hr operation  
<https://plan.wychavon.gov.uk/Planning/Display/W/22/02646/CU>

It was moved, seconded and **RESOLVED** to recommend that this application be refused. As the Variation of Condition 2 of 20/02349/CU to allow 24hr operation would adversely effect the neighbouring properties in the town particularly effect residential properties

- d. Application Number W/22/02654/CU - Bengeworth Ward  
 Applicant Mr B Mansour  
 Location Address 65 Bridge Street Evesham WR11 4SF  
 Proposal Change of use from Casino (Sui Generis) to Convenience Store (including off license) (class E)

<https://plan.wychavon.gov.uk/Planning/Display/W/22/02654/CU>

It was moved, seconded and **RESOLVED** to recommend that this application be approved subject to the District Councillors comments, subject to the windows not to be covered in vinyl stickers.

- e. Application Number W/22/02674/LB - Bengeworth Ward  
 Applicant Mr & Mrs Berney  
 Location Address 19 Cowl Street Evesham WR11 4PL  
 Proposal Alterations and repair work to front elevation

<https://plan.wychavon.gov.uk/Planning/Display/W/22/02674/LB>

It was moved, seconded and **RESOLVED** to recommend that this application be approved.

### 108. Planning Decisions Report was Noted

Planning No:	Applicant:	Address:	Brief Description	ETC:	WDC:
W/22/02016/FUL	HSBC UK Bank plc	H S B C Bank 32 Bridge Street Evesham WR11 4R	Replacement of existing external wall ATM with new model. Replacement of 3 no. existing internal self-service machines with new models and associated making good works.	Approved	Approved
W/22/02017	HSBC UK Bank plc	H S B C Bank 32 Bridge Street Evesham WR11 4R	Advertisement consent for signage associated with replacement ATM. Replacement of existing external wall ATM with new model. Replacement of 3 no. existing internal self-service machines with new models and associated making good works.	Approved	Approved
W/22/02018/LB	HSBC UK Bank plc	H S B C Bank 32 Bridge Street Evesham WR11 4R	Replacement of existing external wall ATM machine with new model. Replacement of existing external ATM signage with new. Replacement of existing internal self service machines. Associated making good & decorations.	Approved	Approved
W/22/01949/HP	Mr Lee Richardson	Address 107 Badsey Lane Evesham WR11 3EY	Single Storey Rear extension	Approved	Approved
W/22/02640/TPOA	Reeves Tree Surgeons Ltd	Atm At Unit 2 Evesham Vale Local Centre Davies Road Evesham	Undertake tree works, as detailed on application form and in any accompanying information.	N/A	Approved

### 109. Public Notice - Temporary Road Closure of Enterprise Way

The Town Clerk had circulated a report which advised Members that Worcestershire County Council had issued a Public Notice to advise of a temporary Road Closure of Enterprise Way, Evesham. The proposed Order stated that part of U44695 Enterprise Way from its junction with Conference Way (Private) for a distance of 50 metres in an Easterly direction would be closed due to the Replacement of an electricity cable by Western Power Distribution. The report detailed the Exemptions that permit access to any land or premises fronting the highway affected where there is no other form of access; and to allow the works to be undertaken, it also advised that the Alternate route would be U44695 Enterprise Way (part), U44692 Millennium Way, U44694 Crab Apple Way, U44695 Enterprise Way (part) and vice versa, for a Maximum duration of 18 months. A map was attached which showed the alternative route

#### 110. Public Notice - Temporary Footpath Closure Donney Brook

The Town Clerk had circulated a report which advised members that WORCESTERSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL had issued a Public Notice to close that part of Link Footpath F40520 Donney Brook. The Proposed Order advised that the junction with U44629 Donney Brook to its junction with C2275 Davies Road, would be closed for Footway reconstruction by WCC. The anticipated duration Could be 21 days Commencing: 12 January 2023

Exemptions were applied to permit access to any land or premises fronting the highway affected where there was no other form of access; and to allow the works to be undertaken. A map was attached to the report which showed the alternate route U44629 Donney Brook, U44627 Porter Road, U44628 Windmeres and vice versa.

The report was noted

#### 111. Tree Inspection

The Town Clerk circulated with the agenda a report which advised Members that the Council had obtained four quotes that had been received to inspect the trees on land owned by Evesham Town Council.

The report highlighted that the Council was at risk if it did not have a record of tree inspections. The areas of high risk were All Saints Churchyard, Bengeworth Cemetery, Battleton Brook and The Almonry. Cllrs Mrs Tucker and Mr Tucker have agreed to work with staff to identify and tag the trees to save funds. The Four quotes included mapping, H & S inspection and a 3 year action plan of maintenance. The successful company would provide a report which would indicate the work that was needed to keep the trees in a safe condition. The report also advised that the work would not be carried out until the trees were in leaf, the cost would come out of the 2023/24 budget.

Following discussion it was moved, seconded and **RESOLVED** to engage company No 4 Adrian Hope Tree Services to carry out the tree inspection.

#### 112. Poplar Trees in Waterside Cemetery

The Town Clerk had circulated with the agenda a report which updated members on the issue of the Poplar trees in Waterside Cemetery. The five trees in question back onto a development of bungalows owned by Rooftop Housing. Rooftop Housing had claimed that the trees had caused structural damage to their properties, they had forwarded the survey by a structural surveyor with regards to one of the bungalows. The Clerk had contacted the Council's insurers Zurich who advised that the trees should be removed to minimise liability, but a heave survey should be carried out first. The report had now been received and advised that the trees should be taken down in their entirety. Following discussion it was moved, seconded and **RESOLVED** that the poplar trees should be removed, it was also moved, seconded and **RESOLVED** that the Council engage Chris Arnold Tree Surgery to remove the Poplar Trees

#### 113. Cemetery Chapel – Condition Survey

The Town Clerk had circulated with the agenda a report which updated Members of the Cemetery Chapel survey which was carried out by Nick Joyce Architects. The survey which was attached to the agenda made several recommendations of repairs that were needed, the report asked the Committee if they would like the Clerk to obtain quotes for the recommendations that were detailed in the survey. It also recommended that a structural survey should be carried out.

Following discussion it was moved, seconded and **RESOLVED** that the Clerk obtain quotes for the recommendations that were detailed in the survey, it was also moved, seconded and **RESOLVED** that the Clerk obtain a structural survey.

#### 114. Street Naming

The Clerk circulated with the agenda a report which advised Members that Wychavon District Council had been approached by Churchill Retirement Living for street naming & numbering for their site off Swan Lane. WDC had requested that Evesham Town Council suggest a name for the Swan Lane site which would then be submitted to the Local Councillors for Evesham North. A site map was attached to the report.

Following discussion it was moved, seconded and **RESOLVED** that the site of Swan Lane be named **CYGNET COURT**

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.30pm.

Cllr Alan Booth  
Chairman