

**MINUTES OF THE PLANNING MEETING OF WELLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL Held at the United Reformed Church Hall, Fore Street, Wellington TA21 8AG on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2022 at 6.00pm**

**PRESENT:** Councillors M Lithgow (Chair), M Barr, Z Barr, S Booker, A Govier, C Govier, M McGuffie, W Battishill, N Powell-Brace, C Booth,

David Farrow (Town Clerk)  
Annette Kirk (Deputy Clerk)

Anna-Mari Galliot – Planning Officer - Somerset West & Taunton District Council

One member of the press  
Four members of the public

**268. APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor J Thorne

**269. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Lloyd declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 4a case ref: 43/22/0062 – She had worked with the applicant's wife.

Councillor Lloyd declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 5b case ref: 43/22/0079 – friend of the applicant.

Councillor Booker declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 5b case ref: 43/22/0079 – friend of the applicant

Councillor A Govier and Councillor C Govier declared a pecuniary interest in Agenda Item 5b case ref: 43/22/0079– related to a member of the public who resides near to the proposed development.

Councillor Lithgow declared an interest as a member of Somerset West and Taunton Council's Planning Committee and therefore reserved the right to vote differently at SWT's Planning Committee meeting as different facts could be placed before him.

Councillor Lloyd and Councillor Govier declared an interest as substitute members for SWT's Planning Committee, reserving the right to vote differently if attending SWT's Planning Committee meeting should different facts be placed before them.

**270. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Applicant spoke answering some of the concerns the public had regarding Case reference 43/22/0079

**271. APPLICATIONS TO BE DETERMINED BY TOWN COUNCIL:**

**a) Case Ref: 43/22/0062**

Proposal: Erection of a single storey extension to the front, erection of boundary wall with installation of sliding gate and application of cladding at first floor front and rear elevations at 8 Elworthy Drive, Wellington.

**RESOLVED** to Approve the application as recommended by the Planning Officer's report

**b) Case Ref: 43/22/0075**

Proposal: Erection of a single storey extension to the rear of 1 Homefield, Wellington

**RESOLVED** to Approve the application as recommended by the Planning Officer's report

**c) Case Ref: 43/22/0085**

Proposal: Replacement of single storey extension to the rear with various alterations at 14 Mitchell Street, Wellington.

**RESOLVED** to Approve the application as recommended by the Planning Officer's report

**272. TO CONSIDER WHAT COMMENTS TO MAKE ON THE FOLLOWING APPLICATIONS THAT WILL BE DETERMINED BY SOMERSET WEST AND TAUNTON COUNCIL OR SOMERSET COUNTY COUNCIL:**

**a) Case Ref: 43/22/0102/T and e) 43/22/0106/T**

Proposal: Application to carry out management works to one Oak tree included in Taunton Deane Borough (Wellington No.1) Tree Preservation Order 2011 on land to the east of 19 Nash Drive Wellington (TD1087)

Proposal: Application to carry out management work to one Oak Tree included in Taunton Deane Borough (Wellington No.3) Tree Preservation Order 1993 at 39 Sanford Rise, Wellington

**RECOMMENDED** that Case Ref: 43/22/0102/T and Case Ref: 43/22/0106/T be approved subject to the Tree Preservation Officer's recommendations.

**b) Case Ref: 43/22/0079**

Proposal: Erection of warehouse with associated parking at Ryelands Business Park, Bagley Road, Wellington

**RECOMMENDED** that this application be approved in principle. The Town council would like the following concerns considered:

- The application is not the best for the said land. The proposed warehouse overpowering and out of keeping with the surrounding neighbouring residential properties. Much smaller units would be the Town Council's preference to encourage more employment opportunities.
- In line with the Arboriculture Officer's Report – hedging to be put in along the Bagley Road boundary line.

**c) Case Ref: 43/22/0095/A**

Proposal: Display of 3No. non-illuminated advertisement/sponsorship signs on Lillebonne Roundabout, B3187/123, Wellington

**RECOMMENDED** that this application be refused. The Town Council would like the following concerns to be considered:

- It changes the visual impact to the approach into Wellington
- Will cause a distraction to motorists on approach to the roundabout
- Concern over the number and size of proposed advertising signs which will clutter the roundabout

**d) Case Ref: 43/22/0096/A**

Proposal: Display of 4No. non-illuminated advertisement/sponsorship signs on Cades Roundabout B3187/115, Wellington

**RECOMMENDED** that this application be refused. The Town Council would like the following concerns to be considered:

- It changes the visual impact to the approach and what is seen as the gateway into Wellington
- Will cause a visual distraction to motorists on approach to the roundabout
- The roundabout is currently in a very untidy condition and would encourage this is cleared and planted with trees or wildflowers.
- Concern over the number and size of proposed advertising signs which will clutter the roundabout

**273. SOMERSET WEST & TAUNTON DISTRICT COUNCIL - 2022 PLANNING DECISIONS FOR INFORMATION ONLY:**

<b>Application Number</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>WTC Recommendation</b>	<b>SWT (Somerset West and Taunton) Decision</b>
43/22/0066/OB	Erection of 4 No. Advertisements at	Cades Roundabout, Wellington		Decision no observations was made on 25 <sup>th</sup> August 2022
43/22/0042	Erection of a two-storey extension to the rear and home office outbuilding at	4 Victoria Street, Wellington	Approval	Approved
43/22/0051	Erection of a two-storey extension to the rear of	86 Mills Drive, Wellington	Approval	Approved
43/22/0068	Erection of an infill section to the rear single storey extension with alterations including the removal of the vaulted ceiling and construction of a flat roof with a roof lantern at	34 Bovet Street, Wellington	Approval	Approved
43/22/0071	Erection of single storey extensions to the sides of	6 Pyles Thorne Road, Wellington	Approval	Approved

**The meeting ended at 6.40pm**

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**Councillor Mark Lithgow**  
**Mayor**