MINUTES OF THE PLANNING MEETING OF WELLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL Held at the United Reformed Church Hall, Fore Street, Wellington TA21 8AG on Monday 7th November 2022 at 6.00pm

PRESENT: Councillors M Lithgow (Chair), N. Powell-Brace, K. Wheatley. A Govier, C Govier, M McGuffie, K Canham, M Barr, J Thorne, W Battishill,

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

Darren Roberts- Planning Officer - Somerset West & Taunton District Council

One member of the press Two members of the public

325. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillors J Lloyd, C Booth and Z Barr

326. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Wheatley declared an interest as a member of Somerset West and Taunton Council's Planning Committee.

Councillors A Govier and M Barr declared an interest in Agenda Item 5a case ref: SCC/3021/2022 – both members of Somerset County Council.

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 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.

327. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Member of the Public spoke and raised concerns regarding Agenda item 4(a) Case ref: 43/22/0082.

328. APPLICATIONS TO BE DETERMINED BY TOWN COUNCIL:

Councillor M Barr left the room – Declaration of Interest, as he cleans windows on the neighbouring properties.

a) Case Ref: 43/22/0082

Proposal: Erection of a single storey extension to the rear of 21 Popham Road, Wellington

RESOLVED to Approve the application subject to the Planning Officer's report Councillor M Barr re-joined the meeting.

b) Case Ref: 43/22/0073

Proposal: Replacement of conservatory with the erection of a part single and part two Storey extension to the rear, erection of a first-floor side extension and a single storey front extension at 21 Sylvan Road, Wellington

RESOLVED to Approve the application subject to the Planning Officer's report

329. 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: SCC/3021/2022

Refurbishment and remodelling of the existing library to all three floors with public facing and back of house activities split over the ground and first floor and open plan staff accommodation to the second floor at Wellington Library, 16 Fore Street, Wellington TA21 8AQ – Somerset County Council email was circulated prior to meeting.

RECOMMENDED approval. The Town Council saw the changes as being effective use of an under-utilised building. A welcome addition to the town centre.

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

Application Number	Proposal	Address	WTC Recommendation	SWT (Somerset West and Taunton) Decision
43/22/0062	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	Approval	Approved
43/22/0075	Erection of a single storey extension to the rear of	1 Homefield, Wellington	Approval	Approved
43/22/0081/NMA	Application for a Non- Material Amendment to application 43/17/0085 for amendments to the elevations of the development at	Sectors E & F, Phase 2, Jurston Farm, Wellington		Approved
43/22/0085	Replacement of single storey extension to the rear with various alterations at	14 Mitchell Street, Wellington	Approval	Approved
43/22/0076	Recladding of workshop unit and installation of windows at	building R/O Bridge House, Station Road, Wellington	Approval	Approved
43/22/0095/A	Display of 3 No. non- illuminated advertisement/sponsorship signs on	Lillebonne Roundabout, B3187/123, Wellington	Refusal	Withdrawn
43/22/0096/A	Display of 4 No. non- illuminated advertisement/sponsorship signs on	Cades Roundabout B3187/115, Wellington	Refusal	Withdrawn

Councillor J Thorne asked if Somerset West and Taunton District Council could be asked to provide an update on why decisions had not been made on the following applications:

Case ref: 43/20/0148 – 2 High Street

Case ref; 43/21/0124 and 43/21/0125/LB – 35 Fore Street

Case ref: 43/20/0080 – 25 Fore Street Case ref: 43/20/0141 – 26 Fore Street

The meeting ended at 6.40pm	
Councillor Mark Lithgow	
Mayor	