

WIRKSWORTH TOWN COUNCIL
Meeting of the Planning & Environmental Affairs Committee
held on 2 November 2009

PEA033/09 Present: Cllr S Maskrey (Chairman), Cllr F Bark, Cllr D Brown, Cllr A Pollock, Cllr J Stockell. In attendance: Mrs J Walls (Town Clerk).

PEA034/09 Apologies for Absence: Cllr M Ratcliffe.

PEA035/09 Members' Interests in Agenda Items:

The following interests were declared:

<i>Cllr</i>	<i>Item</i>	<i>Personal/ Prejudicial</i>	<i>Reason if any</i>
Pollock	5: Gorsey Bank	Personal	
Maskrey	7: Plans – 09/00574	Prejudicial	

PEA036/09 Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting of the Planning & Environmental Affairs Committee dated 5 October 2009 were confirmed as a correct record.

PEA037/09 Rationalisation of BT Payphones – Adopt a Kiosk Programme:

A letter has been received regarding the above, and suggesting the Town Council may wish to adopt the kiosk located near to the Malt Shovel, Wirksworth Moor, Bolehill. It is proposed to remove the kiosk, and the Town Council are being offered the opportunity to adopt the box. The cost would be £1 to the Council, and all future maintenance costs would be met by the Council.

RECOMM: That as BT are not proposing to remove the kiosk at the present time, the Town Council do not adopt the kiosk, but ask that BT continue to maintain the kiosk, advising the Town Council of any proposals for its future removal.

PEA038/09 Gorsey Bank Playing Fields:

Cllrs were reminded that this item had been referred back by full Council for reformulation of the recommendation made by the Committee in October 2010. Cllr M Ratcliffe had proposed that the recommendation could be amended to read:

That the Town Council commits £7000 to the Gorsey Bank Playing Fields Project, from the current year's finances, and resolves to pledge a further £7000 from the 2010-11 budget, if balances are healthy and there are no pressing demands.

Cllrs discussed the matter, and the implications any recommendation would have for the current and following budget, and

RECOMM: That the Town Council commits £7000 to the Gorsey Bank Playing Fields Project, from the current year's finances, and resolves to pledge a further £7000 from the 2010-11 budget, if balances are healthy and there are no pressing demands.

PEA039/09 Hannage Brook Meadow Environmental Improvements : Request for Funding:

Following his recent attendance at a Committee meeting, the Chairman of Anthony Gell School Foundation had now submitted further details of the scheme together with a request for funding from the Town Council in the sum of £1000, spread over two years if necessary. A discussion took place, and it was felt that the Town Council should support this project.

RECOMM: That the Town Council supports the project in principle, up to a maximum of £1000.

PEA040/09 Planning Applications received:

The views of District Councillors also serving as Town Councillors are based on the information before them at the time of this meeting and they reserve the right to change those views in the light of any further information becoming available.

09/00360/FUL	Erection of detached two storey dwellinghouse and garage at 12 Brooklands Avenue for Mr Kevin Mann	RESOLVED: That the following comments be submitted to DDDC: No objection
09/00574/OUT	Demolition of existing dwelling and former WI building and erection of 7 dwellings and associated access, land at 14 Bolehill for Mr D & P Beech <i>*Cllr Maskrey left the meeting after declaring a prejudicial interest. Cllr Pollock took the chair.</i>	It is understood that revised plans have now been submitted, which have addressed some concerns. However, the Council would raise the following: a) There are some concerns regarding visibility for vehicle entrance/exit to the site, and also the increase in traffic to and from the site through Bolehill. It is recommended that County Highways be consulted;

		<p>b) There are some concerns regarding surface water drainage problems in this area which do not appear to have been addressed;</p> <p>c) It is disappointing that the orientation of the properties has not taken advantage of possible solar gains. Wirksworth Town Council seeks to encourage all planning applicants to incorporate sustainable and energy saving initiatives into conversion, extension and new building developments where possible and practicable.</p> <p>d) The Town Council would draw attention to the geological stability of the land at Bolehill.</p>
09/00597/FUL	<p><i>** Cllr Maskrey resumed the chair</i> Replacement front door (Article 4) at 43 Wash Green for Ms Billie Riley</p>	No objection
09/00605/LBALT	Alterations to listed building – repairs to roof structure, covering valleys, chimneys and gable brickwork at 8 Market Place for Mr R Palin	No objection
09/00609/FUL	Erection of front porch at 3 Corn Mill Close for Mr Andy McKay	No objection
09/00621/FUL	Erection of agricultural livestock building and livestock gathering area cover at Highfields Barn, Oakerthorpe Road, Bolehill for Mr S & M Holmes	No objection

09/00639/FUL	Two Storey rear extension at 1 Yokecliffe Crescent for Mr & Mrs David Shorter	No objection
09/00648/FUL	Single storey side/rear extension at 32 King Edward Street for Dales Housing Ltd	No objection
09/00656/FUL	Change of use of land and formation of residents car park, land opposite Bolehill Institute, Bolehill for Wirksworth Town Council	No objection (the Town Council have been advised by the Monitoring Officer of DDDC that they have no prejudicial interest in this application)

PEA041/09 Planning Decisions:

09/00954/FUL	Extension to agricultural building to house livestock at Wigwell Cottage Farm, Bolehill for Mr G Matkin	Granted with conditions
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The meeting closed at 7.35 pm

Chairman