

## REPRESENTATIONAL COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Planning & Highways Committee meeting held at The Bishop Mascall Centre, Lower Galdeford, Ludlow, SY8 1RZ, on **Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> August 2008 at 7:00pm**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Councillors Wilcox, Pope (Vice Chair), Aitken, Davies, Galtress and Hunt

**OFFICERS PRESENT:** Gina Wilding

**R42/08/09 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** – None received

**R43/08/09 PREJUDICIAL AND PERSONAL INTERESTS**

Name	Item	Interest & Reason
ClIr Aitken	<b>1/08/21011/F</b> <b>1/08/21012/LB</b>	Applicants are friends of ClIr Aitken
ClIr Davies	<b>1/08/21051/LB</b> <b>1/08/21023/AD</b> <b>1/08/21024/LB</b>	Previously discussed at Conservation Committee meeting

**R44/08/09 OPEN SESSION** – No members of the public were present

**R45/08/09 MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> August 2008 were **AGREED**.

**R46/08/09 GRANT APPLICATIONS** – No grant applications were received

**R47/08/09 REPORTS FROM OTHER ORGANISATIONS**

Agenda and minutes received from South Shropshire Arts Advisory Group was **NOTED**

**R48/08/09 NOTICES OF DECISIONS BY SSDC**

The following received from South Shropshire District Council were **NOTED**.

**1/08/20762/F Grants**

**1/08/20851/AD Grants**

**R49/08/09 PLANNING APPLICATIONS TO BE REVIEWED FROM SSDC**

**1/08/20870/F** Planning Permission (F) (Committee) **No objection**  
Erection of an extension to dwelling (re-advertised – revised scheme)  
111 Old street, Ludlow

**1/08/21011/F** Planning Permission (F) (delegated) **No objection**  
**1/08/21012/LB** Listed Building Consent (LB)  
Retrospective application for repositioning of a Gothic window and extension to raised terrace.  
30 Corve Street, Ludlow

**1/08/21037/TC** Tree Works (Conservation Area) (delegated) **No objection**  
Prune an Arguta; coppice a hazel; remove branches of a Hazel and a Lilac; topping a Magnolia  
16 Grove Villa, St Julian’s Avenue, Ludlow

**1/08/21048/TC** Tree Works (Conservation Area) (delegated) **No objection**  
Crown reduction and thinning of Sycamore & reduction of lower limbs of an Oak to maintain shape  
Briar Cottage, Julian Road, Ludlow

**1/08/21051/LB** Listed Building Consent (LB) **No objection**  
Installation of Solar Panels on roof slope  
The Barley Mow, 16 Lower Broad Street, Ludlow

**1/08/21023/AD** Advertisement Consent (delegated) **Objects**  
**1/08/21024/LB** Listed Building Consent (LB)  
Display of a single-sided wall sign (Retrospective)  
The Wheatsheaf Public House, Lower Broad Street, Ludlow

**LTC comments:** LTC believes this sign creates visual disharmony on a listed building in a prominent position. Noting that this application is retrospective, LTC would like to declare its support for South Shropshire planning authority's stance to ensure that planning regulations are properly upheld and adhered to.

**1/08/21059/TC** Tree Works (Conservation Area) (delegated) **No objection**  
Reduction in height and pruning of an Apple tree  
36 Julian Road, Ludlow

**LUDFORD PLANNING APPLICATIONS:** –Application **1/08/21073/TC**, which was for information only with no plans available, was **NOTED**.

## **R50/08/09 PLANNING, TRANSPORT, PARKING & PATHS**

### **a) Consultation on Licensing Act 2003 Policy**

Committee made the following comments on the draft policy:

1. **Balancing Needs** - The granting of licenses should be a process that balances the needs of both residents and traders. In recent years, an unacceptable degree of elasticity in licensing rules seems to have swung the bias sharply in favour of the traders.
2. **Monitoring** – LTC would like to see a much more proactive programme of monitoring, especially for newly granted licenses, which would help residents to feel supported and provide useful guidance for traders.
3. **Precedents** - It also seems to be the case that precedents for extended licensing hours very quickly become the new benchmark for subsequent decisions. LTC would like each case to be carefully considered on its own merits.
4. **Policing** – LTC feel that effective implementation of licensing law is sometimes hampered by lack of adequate policing resources.

### **b) Shropshire Bus Fares**

Committee made the following comment on the proposed bus fare increases:

1. There is currently a disparity between services in different areas of Ludlow, which needs to be addressed, so that residents throughout Ludlow are able to access a reliable and fairly priced bus service.
2. One particular example was raised; the park and ride service operates a 50p return fare all the way along its route. Whilst councillors would like to encourage the use of the park and ride and see the 50p return fare continued for those boarding at the park and ride (which might require some form of special ticketing to identify), Councillors feel it would be fairer if local residents boarding and alighting the park & ride service within Ludlow to pay a fare that more closely reflects fares paid on other services operating in Ludlow (60p each way was quoted).  
*As an amendment to minutes, it was noted that from 1 September 2008 Park & Ride return fare had increased to 70p.*

3. Councillors felt that more detailed discussion of this issue would be better served at the next Highways and Parking meeting (TBA).

- c) **Pepper Lane** - Correspondence with Hugh Danatt regarding the Pepper Lane application that has been passed to Jake Berriman was **NOTED**. Committee also agreed that traffic and highways issues were important and should always be given credence in LTC considerations.
- d) **Shropshire Bus** –August edition of Public Transport News was **NOTED**.
- e) **Footpath Closure** –Shropshire County Council’s order to temporarily prohibit traffic from proceeding on a 30m section of the footway on Bell Lane from 28<sup>th</sup> August 2008 for 8 weeks to enable the demolition and rebuilding of a stone wall including excavation of garden for garage was **NOTED**.
- f) **Footway resurfacing adjacent to St Laurence’s Church** –Works from Monday 11<sup>th</sup> August and be completed by Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> August with an alternative route for pedestrians was **NOTED**, although work was still ongoing and had clearly overrun this timescale.
- g) **Traffic Regulation** –Shropshire County Council order to prohibit traffic from waiting on the south side of Bromfield Road, Ludlow from a point 50m west of the junction with Corve Street for a distance of 133m in a westerly direction with immediate effect until 21 December 2008 in connection with bridge repair works being carried out was **NOTED**.

Meeting closed: 7:57 pm

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CHAIR

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