



Credition Town Council



Minutes of the Meeting of the General Purposes Committee held on 2 May 2006

Present:

Councillors

- Miss J Harris (Chairman)**
- Mr C Haydon**
- Mr J Downes**
- Mr W Brown**
- Mr P Taylor (part meeting)**
- Mrs J Pitts**
- Mr R Adams**

In Attendance:

Assistant Clerk

- Mr P Dunn**
- Mr N Way (part meeting)**

166. Apologies

Due to a personal commitments apologies were received from Councillor Edwards.

167. Declarations of Interest

Code of Conduct	Councillor Haydon	As a member of more than one authority, declared that any views or opinions expressed at this meeting would be provisional and would not prejudice any views expressed at a meeting of another authority.
Personal	Councillor W Brown	Minute 170 c) Planning Application 06/00892/Full

168. Chairman's Announcements

The chairman reported the Planning Inquiry in respect of the Winswood Midas Homes proposal had been deferred.

169. Public Question Time

None.

Councillor Taylor arrived.

GENERAL PURPOSES (*items for discussion and determination*)

170. Planning

a) *Planning Decisions and Applications*

Decisions notified by the planning authority are appended.

b) *Planning Applications*

Comments made in respect of planning applications considered at this meeting are appended.

c) *Planning Applications for week ending 2 May*

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171. Allotments.

a) *Matters raised by tenants.*

The clerk gave an update on tenants' concerns on the inclusion of new terms in the tenancy agreement. The clerk was requested to provide figures on the number of unsigned tenancy agreements to the next General Purposes Committee.

b) *Moffats Land Allotments.*

Quotations for two options to enhance the perimeter fence were considered. It was agreed councillors would inspect the site and report back to the next general purposes committee.

172. Landscore Playspace.

It was agreed to recommend an allocation of £5000 from section 106 funding to the project. It was also agreed to consider further allocations for phase two of the project.

173. Heritage Finger Posts.

It was agreed to install a new finger post to the Town Square at the top of Market Street to be funded from under-spend.

The clerk was requested to contact highways to request the re-instatement of signage to St Saviours Way car park, and to request additional traffic signage to Market St car park and the Town Square.

AGENDA ITEMS (items for discussion and recommendation)

174. Best Food Award.

It was recommended to request permission to mount the award plaque in the District Council office public lobby. The clerk was requested to liaise with the building's manager on the exact location and mounting of.

Councillor Pitts agreed to obtain quotations for the production of A4 photographs to all participants to report to council for consideration.

175. Town Square.

a) *Toilets.*

Councillor Haydon reported a condition of the planning permission for the new flats/shops adjacent the Square required the developer to complete the new toilets prior to beneficial occupation of the new flats, and no later than two years from the granting of the planning consent (18/03/07). Design negotiations were on-going and once available the council would be consulted on the proposals, albeit formal planning permission would not be required.

Thanks were expressed for Councillor Haydon's investigations into the matter.

b) *Issues.*

It was recommended by majority vote that the reversal of the flow of traffic in North Street be reviewed only once it had been in operation for a period of approximately three months, subject to no serious issues arising in the meantime. (Councillor Adams requested his vote against be recorded)

The instability of the step risers were discussed. It was reported the contractors were due on site to carry out further works to resolve this issue.

It was reported that the Square would be incorporated in the town's floral scheme for the summer.

Issues raised about siting of the Farmers Market on the new Square were being dealt with by the District Council. May's market would be the last market at Belle Parade under the current temporary arrangements implemented for the duration of the Square's construction. Further requests to hold the market there would have to be processed through formal channels with appropriate consultation on road closures.

Councillor Way arrived.

176. Police.

A response from the area commander confirming the recruitment of Community Support Officers for Crediton was reported. It was felt necessary to continue to insist on appropriate levels of beat manager allocation to the town.

Thanks were expressed to the council chairman for his work towards addressing the cut in manpower in the town.

177. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED.

1. MCTi – Information outlining for the Mid Devon Local Strategic Partnership 28/04/06.
2. MCTi – Minutes of 6/4/6.
3. MDDC – Annual Meeting of Clerks & Senior Officers – 27/4.
4. MDDC – Code of Conduct Guidance note on assessing “friendship”.
5. DAPC – Larger Councils Sub Committee.
6. Unison – Suspension of planned industrial action.
7. Environment Agency – World Environment Day 5 June Info.
8. Upper Deck Restoration Project Minutes of 10/4/6.
9. Police Reform – Force Restructuring Information.
10. DCC – County Community Strategy Officers for DCC.
11. DCC Strategic Plan.
12. DCC – LGPS Regulations – Amendments.
13. David Nation – New Dog Litter Bin – Beech Park Area.
14. Crediton Community Transport – Grant Thanks.
15. MDDC – Annual Council Meeting Summons & Agenda.
16. Westcountry Stonemasons – Quotations for restoration and cleaning of Square Granite Posts.
It was reported the posts has been pressure washed several times, no further action was requested.
17. MCTi – South West Regional Market Town Award Scheme 2006 – Community Transport Submission.
18. MCTi – MCTA Newsletter.
19. Crediton Parish Church – Fabric Fund Raising Committee – Funding Request – for info.
The clerk was requested to inform the organisers that the annual grant was forthcoming from the council, and to schedule payment earlier next year.
20. Chamber of Commerce – Meeting Papers 4/6/6.
21. HM Revenue & Customs – Pension Scheme Payments.
22. North Devon Rail Users Group – Grant Thank You letter.
23. Firestone Dance Group Donation – Agenda Item in hand.
24. DCC – Update on High St. Lighting.
25. Cllr W Brown – Missing name plate at Tuckers Meadow.
It was reported the sign had been removed having been defaced, and once rectified would hopefully be reinstated.
26. Crediton Town Band – invite to council to attend Reception/Spring Concert 27/5 19:30 Parish Church.
The clerk was requested to circulate the letter to all councillors and collect a list of those wishing to attend.

BUSINESS BROUGHT FORWARD

178. Advertising Consent.

The clerk was requested to confirm if an application was required to replace signage with different name/font.

179. Leisure Centre Squash Courts.

It was reported the district council were undertaking a review of the service which would be reported to members for consideration.

180. Bonfire Legislation.

Councillors were un-aware of any new legislation governing bonfires raised by Councillor Adams.

181. Twinning.

An unofficial visit the weekend of the 5 May was reported.

Meeting closed at 20.55.

Signed:

(J Harris – Chairman)

Date:

PLANNING DECISIONS AND APPLICATIONS FOR GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING 02/05/06

Planning Decisions – as notified by the Planning Authority:

Type - Application Refused					
Number	Applicant	Agent	Location	Proposal	Officer
06/00399/FULL (18/04/06)	Mr & Mrs Gilbert 27 Exeter Road Crediton Devon EX17 3BW		27 Exeter Road Crediton Devon EX17 3BW	Conversion of barn to living accommodation	Ms Marie Stainwright Crediton Area Office
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Type - Application Granted					
Number	Applicant	Agent	Location	Proposal	Officer
06/00510/LBC (18/04/06)	Crediton Area Development Trust Ltd Old Town Hall High Street Crediton Devon EX17 3LF	AJH Buildplan 13 Hedgerow Close Crediton EX17 1DB	Crediton Area Development Trust Ltd Old Town Hall High Street Crediton Devon EX17 3LF	Listed Building Consent for installation of 3 no external signs	Ms Marie Stainwright
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Type - Application Granted					
Number	Applicant	Agent	Location	Proposal	Officer
06/00381/LBC (12/04/06)	Crediton Town Council Council Offices Market Street Crediton EX17 2BN		Mid Devon District Council Offices Market Street Crediton Devon EX17 2BN	Listed Building Consent for the erection of two wall mounted lamps	Mr Delwyn Matthews
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Type - Application Granted

Number	Applicant	Agent	Location	Proposal	Officer
06/00461/LBC (12/04/06)	Crediton Town Council Market Street Crediton EX17 2AG	Ms E Brown 20 Prince Of Wales Road Crediton EX17 2AG	Winswood House Park Road Crediton Devon EX17 3BS	Listed Building Consent for the installation of blue heritage plaque	Ms Marie Stainwright Crediton Area Office

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Type - Application Granted

Number	Applicant	Agent	Location	Proposal	Officer
06/00322/FULL (12/04/06)	Miss C Addyman 2 Jocelyn Mead Crediton EX17 2EN		2 Jocelyn Mead Crediton Devon EX17 2EN	Erection of store room extension, conservatory and widening of garage	Ms Marie Stainwright

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Type - Application Granted

Number	Applicant	Agent	Location	Proposal	Officer
06/00478/FULL (12/04/06)	Mr P Denford 5 George Hill Crediton EX17 2DT	S A G Bryant SAB Drawing & Design 26 Marguerite Road Tiverton EX16 6TD	5 George Hill Crediton Devon EX17 2DT	Erection of two storey extension	Ms Marie Stainwright Crediton Area Office

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Type - Application Granted

Number	Applicant	Agent	Location	Proposal	Officer
06/00509/ADVERT (12/04/06)	Crediton Area Development Trust Ltd Old Town Hall High Street Crediton Devon EX17 3LF	AJH Buildplan 13 Hedgerow Close Crediton EX17 1DB	Crediton Area Development Trust Ltd Old Town Hall High Street Crediton Devon EX17 3LF	Consent to display 3 no. non-illuminated shop signs	Ms Marie Stainwright

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Type - Application Granted

Number	Applicant	Agent	Location	Proposal	Officer
06/00443/FULL (27/04/06)	Mr & Mrs P Rowe Orchard House Western Road Crediton EX17 3NF	Keith Mortimer Upper Park 2 Searle Street Crediton EX17 2AT	Orchard House Western Road Crediton Devon EX17 3NF	Erection of conservatory	Mr Charles Bladen

Type - Application Granted

Number	Applicant	Agent	Location	Proposal	Officer
06/00360/ARM (27/04/06)	Reed Construction & Developments Ltd The Linhay Nymet Tracey Bow Crediton EX17 6DB		Upauper Jockey Hill Crediton Devon EX17 1DP	Reserved matters for the erection of 3 no. dwellings and associated parking	Mr Keith Garside

Type - Application Withdrawn

Number	Applicant	Agent	Location	Proposal	Officer
06/00260/OUT (27/04/06)	Somerfield Stores Ltd Somerfield House Whitchurch Lane Bristol BS14 0TJ	Roger Tym & Partners Fairfax House 15 Fulwood Place London WC1V 6HU	Somerfield Stores Ltd Mill Street Crediton Devon EX17 1EY	Outline for the erection of replacement food retail unit with associated car parking and revised access	Mr Keith Garside

Planning Applications

Type - Application Number	Applicant	Agent	Location	Proposal	Officer
06/00768/FULL (25/04/06)	Cheldon Management Ltd 12 Popham Close Blundells Road Tiverton EX16 4GA	Mr E Holden, Dip,Arch., RIBA Architect Tanners Yard 100 High Street Crediton EX17 3LF	Rear Of 26/27 High Street Crediton Devon EX17 3AH	Erection of 2 no. flats following demolition of existing outbuilding and garage	Mr Keith Garside
NO OBJECTION - Subject to the planning officer being satisfied the application revisions will not adversely impact the scheme.					

Type - Application Number	Applicant	Agent	Location	Proposal	Officer
06/00892/FULL (02/05/06)	Mr J Twitchin Anfield House Alexandra Close Crediton EX17 2DY	AJH Buildplan 13 Hedgerow Close Crediton EX17 1DB	Land & Buildings At NGR 284106 99404 Fordton Crediton Devon	Erection of ground floor commercial workshops and first floor offices	Ms Marie Stainwright
APPROVED - Cllr W Brown declared a personal interest and abstained from the vote.					

Type - Application Number	Applicant	Agent	Location	Proposal	Officer
06/00960/CAT (02/05/06)	Ms J Lunnon Belmont Searle Street Crediton Devon EX17 2DB		Belmont Searle Street Crediton Devon EX17 2DB	Application to fell 2 no. conifer trees within a Conservation Area	Mr Charles Bladon
APPROVED -					