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Minutes of Crediton Town Council's Planning & Town Strategy Committee held on Tuesday 1 June 2021 at 19.00 at Old Landscore School, Greenway, Crediton

Present: Cllrs E Brookes-Hocking, J Cairney, J Harris and S Huxtable

- Apologies: Cllrs Downes, Martin and Ross
- In Attendance: Rachel Avery, Town Clerk Emily Armitage, Administrative Assistant Phil Cork, representing Crediton Dairy 3 members of the public 1 member of the press
- To elect a Chairman for the year 2021-22
 It was resolved to elect Cllr Brookes-Hocking as the Chairman for the year 2021-22. (Proposed by Cllr Harris).
- To elect a Deputy Chairman for the year 2021-22 It was resolved to elect Cllr Harris as the Deputy Chairman for the year 2021-22. (Proposed by Cllr Cairney).
- 3. To receive and accept apologies

The meeting was opened at 19.00. It was resolved to accept the apologies of ClIrs Ross, Martin and Downes. (Proposed by ClIr Harris).

The meeting was paused whilst the Town Clerk attempted to restart the live stream. The meeting was restarted at 19.03.

4. Declarations of Interest

Cllr Cairney declared that as a member of more than one authority, any views or opinions expressed at the meeting would be provisional and would not prejudice any views expressed at a meeting of another authority. Cllr Cairney advised that had been in communication with the manager of Crediton Dairy (planning application 21/00709/FULL) as Ward Member for MDDC and as a nearby business owner.

Cllr Harris declared a personal interest in planning application 21/00709/FULL as a resident of East Street.

Cllr Brookes-Hocking declared a personal interest in planning application 21/00709/FULL as a member of Crediton Parish Church congregation.

5. Public Question Time

No members of the public wished to speak at this time.



6. Order of Business

It was **resolved** that planning application 21/00709/FULL would be discussed first. (Proposed by Cllr Brookes-Hocking).

7. Chairman's and Clerk's Announcements

Cllr Brookes-Hocking announced that the Town Clerk was celebrating her first full year in the role and wished to thank her formally for her hard work over the past 12 months.

The Town Clerk advised that it was not possible to livestream the meeting due to technical issues.

- 8. Town Strategy Committee Minutes To approve and sign the minutes of the Town Strategy Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, 11 May 2021, as a correct record It was resolved to approve and sign the minutes of the Town Strategy Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 11 May 2021 as a correct record (Proposed by Cllr Harris).
- 9. Mid Devon District Council Planning Applications <u>MDDC Planning Public Access Portal</u> Mid Devon District Council, the determining Authority, has asked for comments from this Town Council on the following planning applications:

Reference: 21/00709/FULL

Proposal: Change of use from Use Class C4 to offices and canteen facility (Use Class E)Location: Buccaneers Bar, 3 Cinema Buildings, East Street, Crediton, EX17 3AZApplicant: Mr Andy Palmer

Cllr Brookes-Hocking allowed members of the public to speak on planning application 21/00709/FULL.

The following points by members of the public were raised:

- Consideration be given as to whether Change of Use is of benefit to Crediton and the community
- This building is the only purpose built performance venue for live events available between Exeter and Torridge
- Irreplacable building and asset to the town and has a long history as a cinema built in 1930s, which would be sad to lose for the community
- Valued by musicians, QE School, Exeter College and the Turning Tides Project and an excellent asset to encourage young people to perform
- List of 15 objections are yet to appear on Mid Devon District website
- Request for 6 months to be given for a community group to raise funds to purchase the building, by submitting an application to register the building as an Asset of Community Value.

Phil Cork from Crediton Dairy added the following:

- As a pub it has lost money over a period of 4 years
- Current facilities at the dairy are insufficient to accommodate business growth and this builling adjoins the dairy
- There is potential to expand the business, which already employs over 150 people from the local area



• Employment land is difficult to obtain and these premises are available.

It was **resolved** to recommend that should the case officer be minded to approve the change of use, Cllr Downes be asked to call in the application to be heard by the MDDC Planning Committee. Cllr Brookes-Hocking explained that if this is the case, members of the public will also be able to speak about the application. It was agreed that the Change of Use application and the question of the Asset of Community Value listing should be an agenda item for Full Town Council on 8th June. (Proposed by Cllr Brookes-Hocking).

Reference: 21/00897/FULL Proposal: Change of use of part ground floor from former antiques shop to residential Location: 15 East Street, Crediton, Devon Applicant: Mrs S Falkner

It was **resolved** to recommend no objection. (Proposed by Cllr Harris).

Reference: 21/00915/LBC Proposal: Listed Building Consent for erection of replacement satellite dish Location: 4 Dartmoor Railway Mews, Crediton, Devon Applicant: Mrs Jane Bradford

It was **resolved** to recommend refusal due to the proposed location of the satellite dish not being in the same position as the removed dish, negatively affecting the nature of the listed building. (Proposed by Cllr Harris)

Reference: 21/00966/HOUSE Proposal: Conversion of loft to living space with roof terrace Location: 123 Willow Walk Crediton Devon Applicant: Mr J Rogers

It was **resolved** to recommend no objection, however Cllr Huxtable advised the committee about the lack of assessment of the wildlife in the existing loft. It was agreed that this would be raised with Mid Devon District Council. (Proposed by Cllr Harris)

Reference: 21/00882/HOUSE Proposal: Conversion of loft Location: 2 Golden Joy Crediton Devon Applicant: Mr Mason

It was resolved to recommend no objection (Proposed by Cllr Harris)

Reference: 21/01010/FULL Proposal: Erection of an extension and toilet block following demolition of existing toilet block Location: East Town Park Mill Street Crediton Applicant: Mr M Sanders

It was **resolved** to recommend that the committee request further information regarding the nature of the application for a premises that had previously been retail and was now being



identified as industrial before a decision is made and to establish which case officer is dealing with the application. (Proposed by Cllr Harris).

10. Mid Devon District Council - Planning Decisions

It was **resolved** to note that Mid Devon District Council, the determining Authority, has APPROVED the following applications with conditions as filed. (Proposed by Cllr Brookes-Hocking):

Reference: 20/01814/FULL Proposal: Erection of garden shed, alterations to ground levels and retention of terracing and retaining walls Location: Fair Havens, Mill Street, Crediton, Devon Applicant: Mr Chris Reed, Reed Construction and Developments Ltd

Reference: 21/00567/HOUSE Proposal: Erection of an extension and garage Location: Lamorna, Alexandra Road, Crediton, Devon Applicant: Mr & Mrs J Crang

Reference: 21/00355/HOUSE Proposal: Erection of an extension Location: 4 Golden Joy, Crediton, Devon, EX17 1EA Applicant: Mr & Mrs A Jewell

Reference: 21/00118/HOUSE Proposal: Installation of rooflights to facilitate conversion of garage attic Location: Trenavin, George Hill, Crediton, Devon Applicant: Mr & Mrs J West

Reference: 21/00563/HOUSE Proposal: Erection of an extension and verandah with associated landscaping Location: 4 Chestnut Close, Crediton, Devon, EX17 1JD Applicant: Maureen Van Wyk Abdoll

Reference: 21/00560/LBC **Proposal:** Listed Building Consent for installation of a CCTV cameras **Location:** Crediton Town Council, 8A North Street, Crediton, Devon **Applicant:** Crediton Town Council

Reference: 21/00558/FULL Proposal: Installation of a CCTV camera Location: Crediton Town Council, 8A North Street, Crediton, Devon Applicant: Crediton Town Council

Reference: 21/00756/CAT

Proposal: Notification of intention to cut privet sections of boundary hedges in rear garden bordering east and south of property to ground level and reduce hazel hedge on eastern aspect to 1.5-1.8m high within a Conservation Area
Location: St Breock, 1 Union Terrace, Crediton, Devon
Applicant: Mrs Kotarski



11. To note the documentation from Devon County Council relating to the extinguishment of Footpath No. 1

It was **resolved** to note the documentation. (Proposed by Cllr Harris).

12. To agree a response to Mid Devon District Council's Public Space Protection Order consultation

It was **resolved** to delegate responsibility of the completion of the questionnaire to the Town Clerk, with all councillors in favour of the proposals. (Proposed by Cllr Brookes-Hocking).

- 13. To note the date of the next meeting Tuesday 06 July 2021 at 19.00 The date of the next meeting was noted.
- 14. Close The meeting was closed at 20.03

Signed
(Chairman)

Date:....

