



Minutes of Credition Town Council's Town Strategy Committee held on Tuesday, 02 February 2021 at 18.00, via Zoom

Present: Cllrs Mrs E Brookes-Hocking, Mr J Ross (part meeting), Mr F Letch, Miss J Harris, Mrs L Martin, Mr J Cairney, Mr J Downes and Mr G Cochran

In Attendance: Mrs R Avery, Town Clerk
Cllr Mr S Huxtable
One member of the public

133. To receive and accept apologies

The meeting was opened at 18.00.

134. Declarations of Interest

Cllrs Cairney, Downes and Letch 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.

135. Public Question Time

It was noted that the member of public in attendance wished to comment on planning applications 20/00059/HOUSE and 20/00061/LBC and would be permitted to speak during the item.

136. Order of Business

There were no changes to the order of business.

137. Chairman's and Clerk's Announcements.

Cllr Brookes-Hocking reported that the Devon Carbon Plan consultation runs until 15 February and the government's consultation on the Future of Rural Transport runs until 16 February.

138. Town Strategy Committee Minutes – To approve and sign the minutes of the Town Strategy Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, 12 January 2021, as a correct record.

It was **resolved** to approve and sign the minutes of the Town Strategy Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 12 January 2021 as a correct record. (Proposed by Cllr Letch).

139. Mid Devon District Council - Planning Applications [MDDC Planning Public Access Portal](#)

Mid Devon District Council, the determining Authority, has asked for comments from this Town Council on the following planning applications:

Cllr Downes and Letch stated that they would not vote, as members of the MDDC planning committee.

Reference: 21/00070/HOUSE

Proposal: Erection of single storey extension following removal of utility/store

Location: 24 Spruce Park, Crediton, Devon

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Dawe

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

Reference: 21/00067/CAT

Proposal: Notification of intention to coppice 2 Hazel, 2 Sycamore and 1 Elder tree within the Conservation Area

Location: St Breock, 1 Union Terrace, Crediton

Applicant: Mrs Kotarski

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

Reference: 20/02056/HOUSE

Proposal: Erection of two-storey rear extension

Location: 52 Tuckers Meadow, Crediton, Devon

Applicant: D Manning

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

Reference: 21/00099/FULL

Proposal: Erection of a dwelling and alteration to existing access

Location: 6 Winswood, Crediton, Devon

Applicant: Mr A Leyman

It was **resolved** to recommend refusal on the basis that the proposal does not meet parking allocation requirement and was overdevelopment of the site. (Proposed by Cllr Harris).

Reference: 21/00091/HOUSE

Proposal: Erection of single storey rear extension, erection of workshop following demolition of existing garage and creation of 3 off road parking spaces

Location: 4 Waresfoot Drive, Crediton, Devon

Applicant: Mr A Davey

It was **resolved** to recommend refusal due to the removal of all water absorbent surfaces on the site and no provision of mitigating measures to prevent surface run off and the loss of biodiversity. (Proposed by Cllr Brookes-Hocking).

140. 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 Harris).

Reference: 20/02016/CAT

Proposal: Notification of intention to fell 1 Willow tree within a Conservation Area

Location: 11 Silbury Place, Crediton, Devon, EX17 3JL

Applicant: Mr Drustan Durman

Reference: 20/01906/HOUSE

Proposal: Removal of existing prefabricated panels and replace with concrete block with render finish and render over stone cladding and erection of side porch

Location: Dovedale, Park Road, Crediton, Devon

Applicant: Mr G Paradise

Reference: 20/01162/LBC

Proposal: Listed Building Consent to replace 2 ground floor windows on front elevation with double glazed wooden framed windows

Location: 7 The Lodge, Western Road, Crediton, Devon

Applicant: Mr and Mrs R Harrison

Reference: 19/01530/FULL (revised scheme)

Proposal: Conversion of a restaurant to 5 dwellings (Revised Scheme)

Location: The Crown of Crediton, Exeter Road, Crediton, Devon

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Ho

141. To receive an update on planning applications 20/00059/HOUSE and 20/00061/LBC and to consider any further representations by Crediton Town Council.

Standing orders were suspended to allow the applicant to speak.

The applicant stated that some of the Town Council's original objections have been mitigated. It was stated that planning permission for a two car car port had already been approved, but what had been built was safer, in line with original approval and looks no worse than the other car ports on the road.

Standing orders were reinstated.

Cllr Ross joined the meeting at 18.29.

It was **resolved** that Crediton Town Council would recommend no objection with a condition that the trailing plants and hedge be planted to mitigate the wall's appearance, further to information provided at this meeting. (Proposed by Cllr Harris, Cllrs Brookes-Hocking and Ross objected). It was **noted** that Cllr Martin would represent Crediton Town Council at the MDDC Planning Committee meeting.

142. To receive an update on the Town CCTV project.

It was **noted** that a wayleave agreement would be required between the Town Council and businesses and it was **resolved** to approve the quote of £250 + VAT. (Proposed by Cllr Harris).

It was **resolved** to approve the additional quote of £4000 for the additional back-up system required, to allow cameras to continue to work in case of power loss. (Proposed by Cllr Harris).

143. Post-Covid Crediton:

- **To consider partnership working to create a Town Square/Newcombes Meadow Summer Schedule**

Cllr Brookes-Hocking suggested that, as restrictions lift, partnership working should be considered to create a Summer Schedule. This would not just centre around the arts and could be investigated with the new Youth Worker.

Cllr Downes suggested that there is already discussions within the Arts Centre, and providing money would be the best way to support this.

Cllr Letch suggested that he would be willing to set up a petanque league when restrictions had been lifted.

It was **agreed** that Cllr Brookes-Hocking would start discussing this with key stakeholders.

- **To consider the creation of a Recovery Plan.**
Councillors were invited to consider ways to support the recovery of the community.

PART TWO

144. It is recommended that under section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 that the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following items as it involves the likely disclosure of sensitive and confidential information.

145. Old Landscore School:

- **To receive an update relating to the purchase of Old Landscore School**
A brief update was provided by the Town Clerk, reporting progress that had been made since the January Full Council meeting.
- **To consider the responses to the recent councillor survey**
The responses were **noted**.
- **To receive an update and to agree any actions relating to a full structural survey**
It was **resolved** that the Town Clerk would be given delegated power to instruct a surveyor to undertake the required survey as soon as possible. (Proposed by Cllr Letch).
- **To consider the next steps in progressing the project**
It was **noted** that additional surveys would be required, and the Town Clerk/Projects Officer would investigate this.
It was **noted** that the Town Clerk would assess the Heads of Terms relating to the sale.

146. Close.
The meeting was closed at 19.27.

Signed.....
(Chairman)

Date:.....