

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE OF
WANTAGE TOWN COUNCIL HELD AT THE BEACON, PORTWAY ON
MONDAY, 1 NOVEMBER 2021 AT 7.30 PM**

Committee members present: Councillor E L Johnson (Chairman)
Councillors I R Cameron, A Dunford, A Przbysk and S Third

Other councillors present: Councillor J T Hannaby

Others present: One member of the public.

Deputy Town Clerk: S Sanders.

Apologies for absence

These were received from Councillors T Gilhome, A C Menzies, I L Sheldon and J Sibbald

To receive any declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests.

None.

To approve the minutes of the Planning Committee meetings held on 20 September and 11 October 2021.

The minutes were approved.

9. Statements and questions from the public.

None.

10. Matters arising from previous minutes.

a) Update of re-installation of the CCTV camera in Wallingford Street.

The purchase had not yet been signed off by the District Council's Senior Team. The aim was to have the new cameras installed by the end of the financial year. Permission was being sought from Oxfordshire County Council to install the camera on a lamp post in Wallingford Street.

b) Responses that have been submitted to consultations:

- i) Let's talk waste and recycling
- ii) Oxfordshire 2050 Plan
- iii) Oxford-Cambridge Arc
- iv) Draft Joint Statement of Community Involvement

It was agreed to post the submitted responses on the Town Council's website.

Action: Deputy Clerk

c) Update on suitability for mobility scooters and wheelchairs to the East Gate site, Springfield Road by the footway connecting to Charlton Road.

Ms Thwaite of the Wantage Mobility Group had met with a planning enforcement officer from the District Council and a representative for the developer. A planning application had been submitted seeking permission for footpath amendments but this had not yet been allocated to a case officer.

11. To consider the planning applications listed overleaf and any other planning applications that are received prior to the meeting.

The planning applications listed on the attached sheet were considered, and the comments agreed.

12. **Neighbourhood Plan.**

It was agreed that the Neighbourhood Plan should be submitted to the District Council for checking following the amendments that had been made. The updating of the maps was in progress.

Action: Deputy Clerk

13. **20's Plenty for Oxfordshire.**

It was agreed that Councillor Cameron would prepare text to be sent with the proposal to be submitted to the County Council.

Action: Cameron

An amount of £10k was proposed for the budget.

14. **Civil Parking Enforcement.**

a) To identify areas where priority should be given to enforcement.

It was agreed that the following areas should be given priority:

Newbury Street to the junction with Church Street, Portway, Church Street, Mill Street and western end of Market Place.

b) To identify areas where parking restrictions should be changed:

1. Grove Street (Area C on map) – change current single yellow no waiting Mon-Sat 9am-5pm section on northern side to residents parking zone. Retain all other restrictions in Grove Street. Reason: to mitigate future parking issues under CPE for residents (Note that although in theory residents could obtain parking permits from the Vale for the Beacon car park, in practice all available permits are already issued).
2. Wallingford Street (Area P on map) – section on south side between Partridge Close and Rows/Costcutter which is currently no waiting Mon-Sat 8am-6pm should become limited waiting for 30 minutes no return within 1 hour Mon-Sat 8am-6pm. Reason: to allow limited access to businesses.
3. Church Street (Area R on map) – section on south side between The Beacon car park access road and Butler Centre currently no waiting Mon-Sat 8am-6pm should become limited waiting for 1 hour Mon-Sat 8am-6pm no return within 1 hour. The north side could be considered for change to no parking (double yellow). Suggested No waiting within 5m of junction. Reason: to maintain traffic access whilst allowing limited access to businesses.
4. Mill Street (Area H on map) – section on north side between Limborough Close and the pedestrian crossing, currently no waiting Mon-Sat 8am-6pm could become limited waiting for 30 minutes no return within 1 hour Mon-Sat 8am-6pm. Reason: to control parking which limits two-way traffic whilst allowing limited access to businesses.
5. Stirlings Road (Area E on map) – for the section opposite the library which is currently no parking consider introduction of section of limited waiting for 1 hr no return for 1 hour Mon-Sat 8am-6pm.

See map below.

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15. Oxfordshire Fire and Rescue Service Strategic Plans Consultation.

The consultation was to be submitted by 15 December 2021. **Action: Chairman/Deputy Clerk**

16. To consider holding a meeting with David Harrison, Senior Public Transport, Oxfordshire County Council.

The Deputy Clerk was to arrange a meeting. **Action: Deputy Clerk**

17. To receive the minutes of the Wantage and Grove Traffic Advisory meeting held on 9 September 2021.

The minutes were noted.

18. To note planning application P21/V2973/T28. Notification of one calendar month notice in advance of the intention to install electronic communication. Chain Hill Farm, Chain Hill Road, Wantage, Oxfordshire, OX12 8PB. For Dot Surveying on behalf of EE UK Ltd and 3G UK Ltd.

The planning application was noted.

19. Estimates 2022/2023.

The estimates worksheet had been circulated. It was suggested to add £10k for the 20's Plenty for Oxfordshire scheme and £20k for the CPE changes to the current restrictions (updated worksheet attached).

20. Other business.

It was requested that the next planning agenda should include an item to discuss the need for additional car parking.

The meeting closed at 9.35 pm

PLANNING RECOMMENDATIONS

- a) P21/V2760/FUL Minor alterations to existing shop front, to restore separate access to the first floor accommodation. 42 Market Place, Wantage, OX12 8AW.

Holding objection. Would like to see the previous plans from planning application P21/V2460/FUL (which aren't available on the District Council's planning portal) to understand how the staircase will link with the existing flats.

- b) P21/V2872/FUL New covered pergola to garden with patio and festoon lighting. New patio with fixed seating and festoon lighting. Remove hedge and extend garden into 1no. row of car parking spaces. 78 Charlton Road Wantage OX12 8HL (The Nelson Public House) for Marcus Pope, Westgate Brewery.

Objection. Support the comments from the highways officer. Concerns about water runoff from the paved area and the on-street parking. Would like the applicant to consider the view from the road and the impact on the street scene.

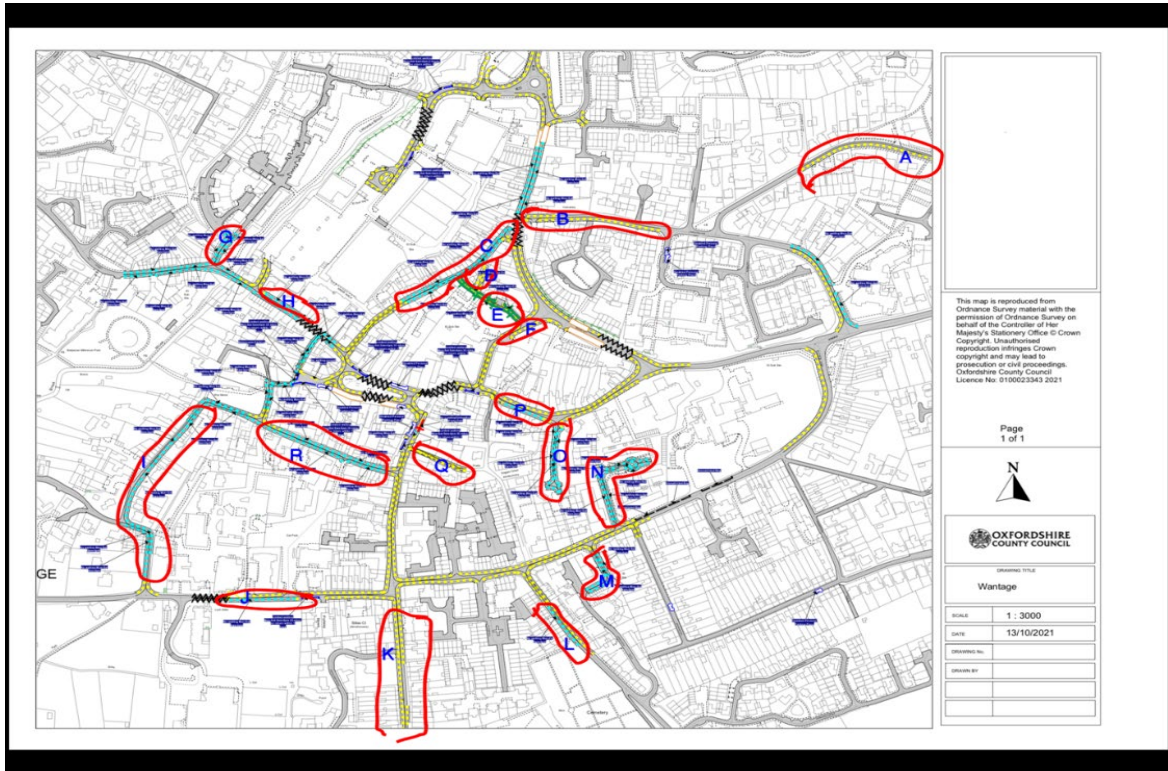
- c) P21/V2237/DA - Without listed building consent, taking down a curtilage wall; without planning permission, erection of single storey building within curtilage of listed building and within conservation area. (VE19/133). 22 Wallingford Street, Wantage.

The application was noted. The building is in a conservation area and the enforcement officer has taken the appropriate action.

- d) P21/V2040/RM – Amendment No 2. Reserved Matters application for the construction of a 72 bed care home (Use Class C2), with associated access, parking, landscaping, plant and site infrastructure, pursuant to outline planning permission P19/V1269/FUL. Details submitted in accordance with conditions 8, 17, 19, 20, 21, 23, 24, 27, 29, 30, 31, 33, 34, 35, 37, 38, 43, 48 and 54. As amended by plans and information received 29 September 2021 and 28 October 2021. Care Home site, Centre West Phase, Kingsgrove, Wantage.

It was agreed to object to the application - comments to the amended planning application would be agreed outside of the meeting.

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Legend:
Blue dotted = single yellow with time restrictions
Yellow dotted = double yellow

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PLANNING COMMITTEE - FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND ESTIMATES WORKSHEET

	2021/2022 Actual YTD £	2021/2022 Budget £	2021/2022 Forecast £	2022/2023 Estimate £
EXPENSES				
Neighbourhood Plan				
Consultations	-	-	1,500	-
Consultants	-	-	2,500	-
Inspection/referendum	-	15,000	-	15,000
Deputy Clerk support	-	-	-	-
Other	469	-	534	550
Contingency	-	-	-	-
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Traffic Calming Measures				
Speed checks	-	500	-	500
VAS	-	4,000	-	4,000
20's Plenty			-	10,000
Waiting restriction changes			-	20,000
TOTAL Expenditure	<hr/> 469	<hr/> 19,500	<hr/> 4,534	<hr/> 50,050

01/11/2021