

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE OF  
WANTAGE TOWN COUNCIL HELD AT THE BEACON, PORTWAY ON  
MONDAY, 23 JANUARY 2023 AT 7.30 PM**

Committee members present: Councillors E L Johnson (Chairman), I R Cameron (part), T Gilhorne, A C Menzies and S Third. Councillor Cameron joined the meeting during item 27 (b).

Other councillors present: Councillor A Crawford  
Others present: Three members of the public

Deputy Town Clerk: S Sanders

**Apologies for absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors I L Sheldon and J Sibbald.

**To receive any declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests.**

None.

**To approve the minutes of the planning meetings held on 7 November & 5 December 2022 and 9 January 2023.**

The minutes were approved and signed.

**26. Statements and questions from the public.**

None.

**27. Matters arising from previous minutes.**

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

The existing cameras were due to be replaced at the end of January. The work was likely to take approximately one week to complete. Following this upgrade, a new camera will be installed in Wallingford Street.

b) To agree the locations and purchase of SIDs including the cost of the poles

The Deputy Clerk had met with Oxfordshire County Council to find suitable locations for the units to be positioned. The information relating to the suggested sites was circulated to members of the committee prior to the meeting. Residents of properties adjacent to the proposed sites would need to be consulted on the intention to install the units. It was noted that the units would need to be moved every 4-6 weeks and that there would be a manpower cost for this. It was also noted that although OCC had previously advised that they would bear the cost of installing the poles for the units, there was currently no money in the budget for this year. The cost would be approximately £500 per pole. There were four poles required for the three locations (Charlton Road, Grove Road and Ormond Road). The unit at Grove Road could be installed on one pole and be turned to face either south or northbound traffic. Similarly, the pole on Ormond Road could be used for a unit to target east or westbound traffic. It was agreed that the Deputy Clerk should consult residents of the properties adjacent to the proposed sites.

**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. P21/V3349/FUL

The planning application had not yet been determined.

d) Update on 20's Plenty for Oxfordshire

The scheme implementation was programmed for spring 2023. It was noted that there were a couple of amendments to the proposed scheme made by Oxfordshire County Council.

28. **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.

29. **Neighbourhood Plan – Regulation 15 submission**

The amendments had been made to the draft document.

ON THE PROPOSTION BY Councillor Cameron

SECONDED BY Councillor Johnson

IT WAS RESOLVED THAT the draft document was complete and ready to be submitted to the District Council ,once the supporting documents had been completed.

**Action: Chairman/Deputy Clerk**

30. **Other business**

None

The meeting closed at 8.30 PM

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## PLANNING RECOMMENDATIONS

- a) P22/V2975/HH Front & rear extensions. New carport and store buildings. Redruthen, Springfield Road, Wantage, OX12 8EX

No objection.

- b) P23/V0026/FUL Change of use of first floor from office use (Use Class - E) to nail bar, hair and beauty salon (Use Class – sui genesis) 12A Mill Street, Wantage, OX12 9AG for Abbey Group (Oxon)

No objection to the application but would like to know how long the unit had been advertised for use as office space.

- c) P22/V2955/FUL The construction and operation of an anaerobic digestion facility, ancillary infrastructure and an improved site access road from the A338, with offsite digestate lagoon. Land at Grove Farm, off Cow Lane, West Hanney.

Objection. Wantage Town Council is unable to determine the potential serious impact on traffic and road use through Wantage.

The size of the digester is important as this will determine the size of land required to serve it and the volume of traffic travelling to and from the site. Figures shown on the application are far greater than the parish of Wantage should be burdened with. Wantage Town Council support the objection and comments from Grove Parish Council.

- d) P22/V3203/LDP Formation of habitable rooms in roof space with front and rear velux roof lights. 7 Scantlebury Way, Wantage, OX12 8GJ

Noted

- e) P22/V3000/HH Proposed single and two storey extension, Briar Cottage, Manor Road, Wantage, OX12 8DW

Holding objection. Support comments from Oxfordshire County Council (Highways). Would like the applicant to consider the parking requirements for a 5-bedroom property within the boundary of the application site.

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