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**Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning, Environment and Highways Committee held on**  
**6th January 2020**

**Present** Jane Hartley, Claire Andersen, Roanna Collis and Jo Akeju.

**Apologies**

**Absent**

**108/20 OPEN FORUM** – There were no residents present

**109/20 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND ANY WRITTEN REQUESTS FOR PECUNIARY INTERESTS IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE CLERK** –  
There were no interests declared

**110/20 The Minutes of the Meeting on 9th December 2019** were approved.

**111/20 Highways**

The central reservation on the A4 is due to be cut this week. There was no Speed Indicator data this month due to technical difficulties. The continuing issues with the streetlights on the corner of Milestone Avenue are among a list given to John Halsall so Council are waiting to see what he comes back with. The storm drains reported by Cllr. Gillett appeared to have been sorted out, but it appears there is still an ongoing issue.  
*Clerk's note: the grass on the A4 was cut on Wednesday 8th January.*

**112/20 Environment**

The clerk attended a meeting on the climate emergency, and it was agreed that the documentation distributed with the packs would be considered at the next meeting.

**113/20 Planning**

a) **The following Applications were discussed (240)**

193269 Application for the proposed erection of a single storey side extension to extend the lounge bar and lobby and a single storey rear extension to form a new dining room and enlarged kitchen with 2 no. rooflights, plus relocation of the bin storage area, formation of a new terrace and creation of a temporary access drive at the Heron on the Ford –  
The clerk was asked to comment as follows:

*Full application for the proposed erection of a single storey side extension to extend the lounge bar and lobby and a single storey rear extension to form a new dining room and enlarged kitchen with 2 no. rooflights, plus relocation of the bin storage area, formation of a new terrace and creation of a temporary access drive at The heron on the Ford Charvil Parish Council support this application as it feels that it is making better use of the space and appreciate the creation of more local employment opportunities.*

193390 Householder application for the proposed erection of a two-storey side extension and a part first floor part two-storey rear extension following demolition of existing car port at 1 Milestone Crescent – The clerk was asked to object as follows:

*1. On the plans, it states that the garage will be three metres wide, but this width includes the exterior wall. The actual width of the internal space in the garage would be at most, 2.8 metres wide, which is narrower than the stated minimum width for a garage of 2.9 metres. Given that the garage MUST be one of the parking spaces for the dwelling, to make it too narrow will inevitably lead to on road parking on a stretch of road that the planning inspectors themselves said such parking should be discouraged. The parking plan suggests that you could squeeze two cars to the front of the dwelling; if they did, they are likely to make it hard for the residents of 1a to access their off street*

*parking, and looks designed to lead to parking disagreements or further on-street parking in a place where visibility is already poor.*

*2. Although other dwellings on Milestone Crescent have extended, they have generally been single storey. This would be the only two storey extension so close to an existing two storey dwelling, adversely affecting the street scene.*

*3. The overall effect would be over-development on a site that is right on the edge of the village and would be out of keeping with an area that has the feel of low-density housing.*

b) The following Planning Application Approvals were noted

192957 Application for the proposed single storey side/rear extension, internal alterations, the insertion of 4 no. roof lights, following demolition of existing garden room at 2 Kilowna Close

193019 Application for proposed erection of a detached garage at Acorns, Waingels Road

193007 Application for the proposed erection of a single storey front extension to form porch, single storey rear extension, garage conversion to create habitable accommodation, plus internal alterations at 29 Gingells Farm Road

192523 Application for the erection of a proposed single storey rear/side extension to enhance kitchen and living area and proposed conversion of existing attached store area to habitable space at 28 Charvil House Road (revised plans)

193072 Application for proposed erection of a single storey rear extension including the insertion of 2no. rooflights, plus changes to fenestration at 8 Wenlock Edge

192713 Application for the proposed erection of 1 no. commercial storage building (Use Class B8). (Retrospective) at The Homestead

192648 Application for the proposed erection of 3 no. commercial buildings (Retrospective) at The Homestead

**Any other Planning business at the discretion of the Chairman**

### **Items for Consideration**

#### **114/20 To Update the Objectives Paper**

The Chair ran through the paper, explaining things to the new councillors and changes were made which will be circulated by the Chair for the next meeting. It was agreed that more visitors should be invited to the meetings provided the committee drives the agenda. The clerk has been asked to invite Mr Hicks to a future meeting to discuss planning issues and constraints. The clerk was also asked to find out what types of social housing exist.

The meeting closed at 9.30pm