

**Minutes of Planning Committee Meeting held in the Town Council Office
On Wednesday 30th November 2005 commencing 7-30 p.m.**

Present Councillors P Ashcroft, J Cowley, J Cox, D Grimes, J O'Hare and D Neal Chairman, D J Hine (Clerk)

In attendance Mr D Hardy NDDC and Mr M Pinkney Signpost Housing

To receive apologies

Declarations of Interest None

Confirm minutes of last meeting and decisions of NDDC Planning Cttee

The minutes of the Planning Cttee meeting held on 16th November were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Decisions of NDDC Planning Committee

No. 0919 Gomershay Farm Erect Cattle accommodation Granted
No. 0951 Gibbs Marsh Farm. Erect stables and create track. Granted
No. 0987 13 Duncliffe Close. Erect single storey extension Granted
Sth. Som. 02229 H Airfield Erect aircraft factory. NDDC Object.

Notification that the appeal by Mr J Harris against the decision to refuse permission for a gas tank off Drews Lane has been dismissed

OPEN FORUM Planning matters only. No comments

Planning Applications

No. 1096 Fairview, Wood Lane. Single storey extension. It was proposed by J Cox and seconded by J Cowley that there be no objection. All agreed.

Mr D Hardy NDDC re. Affordable Housing

Mr Hardy, The Housing Policy Manager for NDDC introduced Mr Martin Pinkney of Signpost Housing Association who explained the situation with regard to providing housing in the rented/shared ownership sector The identified need across the whole district is 650 new properties per annum over the next 10 years. What they will most probably be able to provide is 60 p.a. the main providers being housing associations of which Signpost is the main one in the area. The Housing Associations have to apply to the Government Controlled Housing Corporation for grants (approx £45,000 per house) Signpost have applied for a grant to build 10 houses in Stalbridge but they most probably will not hear if they are successful until March 2006.

The identified need in Stalbridge is as follows (as at June 2004):-

Existing tenants wishing to change size of property 29
New applicants 32
People who wish to return to Stalbridge 33
Residents who wish to have elderly parents move here 11

The area being considered for the application is part of Pond Close which at the present time is leased to the Town Council as a recreation area next to Pond Walk. Some discussion took place with regard to this but no decisions were made as it all depends on whether or not a grant is received from the Housing Corporation.

The Chairman thanked Mr Hardy and Mr Pinkney for attending and explaining the situation to Councillors.

Other Business

The Chairman and J Cowley had met Mr S Howard of DCC together with J else and D Foster-Pegg representing High Street Traders, that morning regarding what could be provided with regard to pedestrian crossing facilities in the High Street. A full report of this meeting will be put on the next Agenda.

It was agreed to hold an informal meeting to discuss budget figures on Wednesday 7th December

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9-00 p.m.

Minutes of Planning Committee Meeting held in the Town Council Office On Wednesday 16th November 2005 commencing 7-30 p.m.

Present Councillors P Ashcroft, W Batty-Smith, D Grimes, J O'Hare, R Penfold
D Short, and J Cowley,

In the absence of The Chairman, D Neal, J Cowley was unanimously elected Chairman.

D J Hine (Clerk)

In attendance C Cllr D Fox, D Cllr G Carr-Jones and 2 electors

To receive apologies J Cox and D Neal

Declarations of Interest W Batty-Smith stated that he was there in an advisory capacity only

Confirm minutes of last meeting and decisions of NDDC Planning Cttee

The minutes of the Planning Cttee meeting held on 19th October were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Decisions of NDDC Planning Committee

LB 9146 Turnpike Cottage, Gold Street. Internal alterations. Granted

No 0912 South Farm., Cooks Lane. 2 single storey extensions. Retrospective. Granted

No 0913/4 Breaan, Station Road. Single storey extension and modify Car Park Granted

No 0940 4 Vale Road. Single storey extension Granted

Sth. Som. Erect Biorefinery . NDDC have raised no objections. However, W Batty-Smith provided a copy of a letter written by Mr Hammond of Dev. Control to Sth. Som expressing considerable concerns about the project.

OPEN FORUM Planning matters only.

Mrs Forman re. PA for Redbank. She would hope that any windows that look towards Little Under would be obscure glass and also pointed out that there is a problem with on-street parking causing congestion in the area

Town Plan

This item was transferred from the Agenda for the T C meeting at the request of D Cllr G Carr-Jones. It was agreed that the proposed forming of a Town Plan needs to be taken forward firstly by the formation of a Steering Group. G Carr-Jones volunteered to endeavour to do this and D Grimes and R Penfold agreed to represent the Town Council on the Group. Information to hand regarding the process of producing a Town Plan was passed to G Carr-Jones. The Chairman thanked him for taking on this project

Planning Applications

No. 1070 Stanbrook, Station Road. Change of use from agricultural land to domestic use. It was proposed by P Ashcroft and seconded by J Cowley that there be no objection. All agreed.

No. 1071 Stanbrook, Station Road. Erect stable block and store. It was proposed by J Cowley and seconded by P Ashcroft that there be no objection. All agreed.

No. 1039 The Goat House, Thornhill. Erect Agricultural dwelling. It was proposed by J Cowley and seconded by P Ashcroft that there be no objection. All agreed.

No. 1050 The Goat House, Thornhill. Erect feed store. It was proposed by J Cowley and seconded by D Grimes that there be no objection provided suitable arrangements are made regarding continued use of FP No. 49. All agreed

No. 1054 Redbank, Grove Lane Erect garage with first floor extension. It was proposed by J Cowley and seconded by P Ashcroft that there be no objections but a comment

made regarding on-street parking and congestion. All agreed. It was also agreed to write to DCC Traffic Section regarding the on-street parking.

Sth. Som. Henstridge Airfield. Erect two wind turbines. It was proposed by J Cowley and seconded by D Grimes that previous comments regarding non provision of an environmental impact survey be reiterated. All agreed.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8-20 p.m.

**Minutes of Planning Committee Meeting held in the Town Council Office
On Wednesday 19th October 2005 commencing 7-30 p.m.**

Present Councillors P Ashcroft, W Batty-Smith, J Cox, D Grimes, D Neal, J O'Hare, R Penfold, D Short and J Cowley Chairman, D J Hine (Clerk)

In attendance D Cllr G Carr-Jones and 1 resident

To receive apologies C Cllr D Fox

Declarations of Interest W Batty-Smith advised that he was there in an advisory capacity only

Confirm minutes of last meeting and decisions of NDDC Planning Cttee

The minutes of the Planning Cttee meeting held on 5th October were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Decisions of NDDC Planning Committee

0834 & LB9126 8 Anglesey Cotts Erect shed and demolish existing. Granted

OPEN FORUM Planning matters only. No comments

Planning Applications

No. 0987 13 Duncliffe Close. Erect Porch. It was proposed by J Cox and seconded by J Cowley that there be no objections. All agreed

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7-40 p.m.

**Minutes of Planning Committee Meeting held in the Town Council Office
On Wednesday 5th October 2005 commencing 7-30 p.m.**

Present Councillors J Cowley, J Cox, D Grimes, D Neal, J O'Hare, R Penfold,
and I Semple (Chairman), D J Hine (Clerk)

In attendance 4 members of the public

To receive apologies D Cllr G Carr-Jones, Cllr P Ashcroft.

Declarations of Interest None

Confirm minutes of last meeting and decisions of NDDC Planning Cttee

The minutes of the Planning Cttee meeting held on 21st September were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Decisions of NDDC Planning Committee

No. 0808 34 Vale Road, Erect single story extension. Granted
No. 0786 Arrandale, Barrow Hill. Erect 1 dwelling & 2 Garages. Granted
LB 9118 9 Anglesey Cottages. Replace windows

OPEN FORUM Planning matters only. No comments

Planning Applications

LB 9146 Turnpike Cottage, Gold St. Sundry replacement/repairs. It was proposed by J Cox and seconded by J Cowley that there be no objections provided the work is in accordance with the Conservation Officer's requirements. All agreed

No. 0940 4 Vale Road. Erect ground floor shower room. It was proposed by J Cox and seconded by J Cowley that there be objection, all agreed.

No. 0952 Downend, Thornhill Rd. Erect 2 dwellings. After some discussion it was proposed by J Cox and seconded by J Cowley that there be objections raised on the following grounds

RF 02,03 and 04 – Overdevelopment resulting visually cramped appearance, inadequate private amenity space and insufficient room for proposed two dwellings. RF 05 - would also have an adverse affect on adjoining dwellings.

The Town Council would prefer to see the whole of the area within the curtilage of Downend all of which appears to be within the development area, used more effectively for these two additional dwellings. All agreed

No. 0951 Gibbs Marsh Farm. Erect stables, create access track. It was proposed by J Cox and seconded by D Grimes that there be no objections. Agreed on a vote of 7 in favour and 1 against.

Update on Trafalgar Commemorations

At present all going according to plan, Traders have been asked to support the evening by perhaps putting something in their windows. There was also a suggestion that flags be put in the Christmas Tree brackets but there may not be enough time to establish these.

Web Site

After some discussion it was agreed to get Blackmore Vale Internet to manage the Town Council Web Site

Sign cheques

It was proposed by J Cox and seconded by D Grimes that the following cheques be signed. All agreed.

SEC Electricity to The Cross £1,305.01
Blackmore Vale Internet (M James) 54/00

Other matters.

The Old Rectory Porch appears to be damaged and perhaps dangerous.
No news so far from Enforcement Officer on Old Coach House work
High Street Parking problems – need for Traffic Wardens more often
No reply yet received from letter regarding Pedestrian Crossing. Next agenda if no reply received.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8-50 p.m.

Minutes of Planning Committee Meeting held in the Town Council Office On Wednesday 21st September 2005 commencing 7-30 p.m.

Present Councillors P Ashcroft, W Batty-Smith, J Cowley, J Cox, D Grimes, J O'Hare, D Neal, R Penfold and I W A Semple Chairman, D J Hine (Clerk)

In attendance No members of the public present

To receive apologies C Cllr D Fox, D Cllr G Carr-Jones and Cllr D Short

Declarations of Interest None

Confirm minutes of last meeting and decisions of NDDC Planning Cttee

The minutes of the Planning Cttee meeting held on 7th September were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Decisions of NDDC Planning Committee

No. 0578 Land at rear of Dike & Son Ltd. Erect supermarket etc., Granted
No. 0747 and LB9109 Cheriton, Ring Street, erect conservatory. Refused
LB 9105 Manor Cottage, Stalbridge Weston. Erect summerhouse. Granted
No. 0693 7 Robinson Heights. Erect first floor extension. Granted

Notification to Mr J Thomas of Bibberne Farm that planning permission is not required to extend existing building or erect a cattle pen.

Notification to Mr S C Eavis of Greystones Frm that p p is not required to erect a storage building

OPEN FORUM Planning matters only. No comments

Planning Applications

No. 0912 South Farm, Cooks Lane. Retrospective revision of previous application
It was proposed by J Cox and seconded by P Ashcroft that there be no objections but a comment be made to the effect that the T C are disappointed to note that this is a retrospective application. All agreed

No. 0913 Brean, Station Road. Alter car park. It was proposed by J O'Hare and seconded by P Ashcroft that there be no objections but a comment on lack of drainage to be made. All agreed

No. 0914 Brean, Station Road. Single storey extension. It was proposed by J O'Hare and seconded by J Cowley that there be no objections. All agreed

No. 0919 Gomershay Farm. Erect cattle accommodation. It was proposed by J Cox and seconded by J Cowley that there be no objections but a request made that the plans be checked to ensure that FPs 31 and 32 are not affected. All agreed.

Any other business

The Clerk advised that a message received from Mr D Hardy, NDDC Housing Policy Manager asking if he could address a TC meeting regarding provision of low cost homes. It was agreed to suggest he attends a Planning Meeting.

Clerk to contact

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7-55 p.m.

**Minutes of Planning Committee Meeting held in the Town Council Office
On Wednesday 7th September 2005 commencing 7-30 p.m.**

Present Councillors P Ashcroft, J Cox, D Grimes, D Neal and R Penfold, D J Hine (Clerk)

In attendance No others present

In the absence of both the Chairman and Vice-Chairman it was proposed by D Grimes and seconded by P Ashcroft that D Neal be Chairman. All Agreed.

To receive apologies J Cowley, J O'Hare and I Semple

Declarations of Interest None

Confirm minutes of last meeting and decisions of NDDC Planning Cttee

The minutes of the Planning Cttee meeting held on 24th August were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Decisions of NDDC Planning Committee

No. 0727 46 Vale Road, erect Conservatory – Granted

No. 0693 7 Robinson Heights, erect first floor extension – Granted

OPEN FORUM Planning matters only. No matters raised

Planning Applications

None received. The Clerk reported that she had been advised by Mrs D Laban, of the Enforcement Office, that planning permission is not required when converting an existing building e.g. Garage, Cow-Stall, Stable etc., into living accommodation for a member of the family or close associate/employee

Sign cheques

R Sharp £60.00

Mowing Pond Close 200.00

It was proposed by D Neal and seconded by R Penfold that the above cheques be signed. All agreed

Production of masterplan for Henstridge Airfield

A meeting had been held on the Airfield to discuss producing a master plan for the whole area. Another meeting is to be held on Thursday 15th September which will be attended

by P Ashcroft, D Neal and R Penfold. It was agreed that the main concern for Stalbridge with regard to developments on the airfield is any increase in the volume of traffic. It was suggested that those that develop the airfield should pay towards improvements of the surrounding roads.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8-45 p.m.

**Minutes of Planning Committee Meeting held in the Town Council Office
On Wednesday 24th August 2005 commencing 7-30 p.m.**

Present Councillors P Ashcroft, W Batty-Smith, J Cowley, J Cox, D Grimes, D Neal, J O'Hare, R Penfold and I Semple Chairman, D J Hine (Clerk)

In attendance 6 members of the public

To receive apologies D Cllr G Carr-Jones

Declarations of Interest None. W Batty-Smith attended in an advisory capacity only

Confirm minutes of last meeting and decisions of NDDC Planning Cttee

The minutes of the Planning Cttee meeting held on 10th August were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Decisions of NDDC Planning Committee

None received by Town Council

W Batty-Smith advised that the proposals at 18 Jarvis Way had been approved and also the Dikes Supermarket with various conditions and alterations i.e. Local Stone cladding to various aspects and moving the generator house

OPEN FORUM Planning matters only.

Mr & Mrs Lewandowski as neighbours of Arrandale objected to the application on the grounds of overlooking and invasion of privacy

Mr Frampton explained the lack of detail of the proposed windows in 9 Anglesey Cottages was due to not being to ascertain from NDDC precisely what is required. He also voiced various concerns about the application for No 8 Anglesey Cott.

Planning Applications

No. 0786 Arrandale, Barrow Hi.. Erect dwelling and form access. It was proposed by J Cox and seconded by D Grimes that objections be raised on the grounds of a Chalet type Bungalow would be more appropriate and reasons RF02, 03, 04 and 05. also the TC to request a decision from the full planning committee. All agreed.

No. 0808 34 Vale Road. Single storey front extension. No objections proposed by J Cox and seconded by P Ashcroft. All agreed.

LB 9118 9 Anglesey Cottages. Replace windows. No proper details supplied of replacement windows. It was proposed by P Ashcroft and seconded by D Grimes that the T C have no objections to the windows being replaced but type and detail to be agreed with Conservation Officer. All agreed.

No. 0834 and LB 9126 8 Anglesey Cottages. Demolish shed and replace. It was proposed by J Cow and seconded by J Cowley that there be no objection but that permitted development rights be removed and that the proposals go before the full planning committee. All agreed.

Other planning matters

J Cowley requested a follow up letter be sent to NDDC regarding the provision of Low Cost homes on the Station Road Car Park development. Agreed
Clerk to write

Re. The proposed Supermarket Development. J Cowley felt that the TC should write and express disappointment that no public site meeting was held. W Batty-Smith pointed out that a site meeting was held some time ago at which the public were allowed to state their views. J Cowley proposed a letter be written to the Chief Executive. Carried on a vote of 4 in favour 1 against (4 abstentions)
Clerk to write

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8-10 p.m.

Minutes of Planning Committee Meeting held in the Town Council Office On Wednesday 10th August 2005 commencing 7-30 p.m.

Present Councillors P Ashcroft, J Cox, D Grimes, D Neal, J O'Hare and J Cowley
Chairman, D J Hine (Clerk)

In attendance 2 residents

To receive apologies I Semple

Declarations of Interest None

Confirm minutes of last meeting and decisions of NDDC Planning Cttee

The minutes of the Planning Cttee meeting held on 27th July were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Decisions of NDDC Planning Committee None advised

OPEN FORUM Planning matters only.

Mrs Feeny of Greenwoods felt that the larger Conservatory on the rear of Cheriton may block out some of her view

Planning Applications

No. 0747 & 9109 Cheriton, Ring Street. Demolish existing conservatory and erect replacement. It was proposed by J Cox and seconded by D Grimes that there be no objections but the TC would like to see obscure glass in the northern end to preserve the privacy of the neighbour. Carried on a vote of 4 in favour and 1 against

No. 9105 Manor Cottage, Stalbridge Weston. Erect Summerhouse. It was proposed by P Ashcroft and seconded by J Cox that there be no objections. All agreed.

Additional Planning Matters.

J Cowley read out the alterations that had been suggested to the letter from Sturminster TC (on behalf of parishes along the A357) to Sth. Somerset DC regarding the proposed Bio ethanol plant.

J Cowley also read out the letter from the TC to NDDC Development Control reiterating the request for a public site visit in respect of the new Supermarket application.

D Neal asked if someone in addition to himself and J Cowley would care to attend the meeting on the Airfield regarding the overall masterplan for the airfield, to be held on the 23rd August. P Ashcroft agreed to attend.

Sign Cheques

It was proposed by J Cox and seconded by P Ashcroft that the following cheques be signed

Methodist Church Hall Hire £10.00

P J Watts, Audit £45.00

S L C C Clerk's Course 195.00

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8-30 p.m.

**Minutes of Planning Committee Meeting held in the Town Council Office
On Wednesday 27th July 2005 commencing 7-30 p.m.**

Present Councillors P Ashcroft, J Cowley, D Grimes, D Neal, J Oliver, D Short and I Semple Chairman, D J Hine (Clerk)

In attendance C Cllr D Fox, D Cllr G Carr-Jones and 1 elector

The Chairman welcomed back Cllr D Grimes who had been ill and unable to attend some meetings

To receive apologies W Batty-Smith, J Cox, J O'Hare and R Penfold

Declarations of Interest None

Confirm minutes of last meeting and decisions of NDDC Planning Cttee

The minutes of the Planning Cttee meeting held on 13th July were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Decisions of NDDC Planning Committee

No. 0557 The Methodist Church. Erect glazed extensions to front entrance, alterations to toilet block etc. Granted. Councillors expressed dismay at the decision with regard to the glazed extension and it was proposed by J Cowley and seconded by D Neal that a letter be written to the Development Control Manager. All agreed.

Clerk to write

OPEN FORUM Planning matters only.

G Carr-Jones advised that he has been invited to a meeting on 1st August in Sturminster Council Office regarding the proposed Bio-ethanol plant at Henstridge. The Stalbridge Chairman is invited but as he is unable to attend J Cowley and P Ashcroft will do so. It was agreed that the next meeting on this subject should be held in Stalbridge.

A letter from Sth Somerset DC inviting two members to a meeting in the Club House on Henstridge Airfield on 23rd August to discuss the Henstridge Airfield Master Plan received. D Neal and J Cowley will attend.

Planning Applications

No. 0693 7 Robinson Heights, erect first floor side extension. It was proposed by J Cowley and seconded by P Ashcroft that there be no objections. All agreed.

No. 0727 46 Vale Road, erect Conservatory. It was proposed by J Oliver and seconded by P Ashcroft that there be no objections. All agreed.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8 p.m.

**Minutes of Planning Committee Meeting held in the Town Council Office
On Wednesday 13th July 2005 commencing 7-30 p.m.**

Present Councillors J Cowley, D Neal, J O'Hare, J Oliver, R Penfold and I Semple Chairman, D J Hine (Clerk)

In attendance 2 members of the public

To receive apologies Cllrs. P Ashcroft, J Cox and D Grimes

Declarations of Interest None

Confirm minutes of last meeting and decisions of NDDC Planning Cttee

The minutes of the Planning Cttee meeting held on 29th June were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Decisions of NDDC Planning Committee

No. 0480 Arrandale, Barrow Hill. Erect 2 dwellings and garages – withdrawn
No. 0500 Adbruf, Gibbs Marsh. Erect single storey extension for offices. Granted

OPEN FORUM Planning matters only. No comments

Planning Applications

No. 0651 Mr & Mrs J Boyt, 18 Jarvis Way, erect two storey side extension. It was proposed by J O'Hare and seconded by I Semple that there be no objections. All agreed.

Wessex Grain project

The proposed bio-ethanol plant was discussed in the light of the article in the Blackmore Vale Magazine which included comments by Town and District Councillor W Batty-Smith and also a letter written by him to the Western Gazette. All agreed with W Batty-Smith's opinion that although the project to produce fuel from grain is a sound idea, if the proposed plant at Henstridge airfield results in a huge increase in heavy goods traffic through Stalbridge and surrounding villages then other means of transport i.e. rail, must be looked at. It was therefore proposed by J O'Hare and seconded by D Neal that a letter be written to the B V M expressing the support of the Town Council for D Cllr Batty-

Smith's comments. All agreed.
Clerk to write

Flying of Flag

Apparently there had been some comments regarding the fact that the American flag was flown from the T C flagpole on the 4th July, but as P Ashcroft who had requested the item on the agenda was not present, after some discussion, it was agreed to leave the matter in abeyance

Sign cheques

It was proposed by D Neal and seconded by J Cowley that the following cheques be signed.

R Sharp weeding The Ring £80.00
M Dunning ditto £78.00
R Sharp Mowing The Ring £60.00
R Sharp NDDC grass 260.00
(R Sharp one cheque for £400)
Westree (cheque of `6.4.05 gone astray) £70.50
British Gas £45.99
BT Internet 158.62
Mowing Pond Close 200.00

Correspondence

Notification from NDDC that the PA for the land off Station Road Car Park will be dealt with on Tuesday 19th July. It was also noted that there was a change to the application in that it was proposed to pay a sum to NDDC to enable the Social Housing to be built elsewhere, however it was agreed to write to NDDC to say that the T C would prefer the social housing to be built on the original site.

Clerk to write

Letter from Mrs S Taylor of Barrow Hill regarding the proposed Supermarket development. Reply to confirm that the TC have expressed their concerns regarding the proposal and have requested a site visit.

Clerk to write

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9-15 p.m.

**Minutes of Planning Committee Meeting held in the Methodist Hall
On Wednesday 29th June 2005 commencing 7-30 p.m.**

Present Councillors P Ashcroft, W Batty-Smith, J Cowley, J O'Hare, J Oliver, R Penfold D Short and I Semple Chairman, D J Hine (Clerk)

In attendance C Cllr D Fox, D Cllr G Carr-Jones and 22 members of the public

To receive apologies Cllrs J Cox, D Grimes and D Neal

Declarations of Interest W Batty-Smith pointed out that he was attending in purely and advisory role only and would take no part in the discussion or decision making.

Confirm minutes of last meeting and decisions of NDDC Planning Cttee

The minutes of the Planning Cttee meeting held 15th June on were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Decisions of NDDC Planning Committee

No. 0441 Nos 22 & 20 Grosvenor Road. Erect two storey side extensions. Granted.

OPEN FORUM Planning matters only.

Various matters were raised and noted with regard to Planning Application No. 0578

Planning Applications

No. 0578 Dike & Son. Demolish outbuildings etc., and erect foodmarket. Alter existing building to provide shops and dwellings.

It was proposed by P Ashcroft and seconded by J Oliver that there be no objections to this application subject to the following comments

1. Security of the Car Park. Will the car park be closed off when the shop is closed, to prevent use of the car park for skate boarding or other such activities? How will it be fenced particularly where it adjoins residential property in Pound Close to ensure that these properties do not suffer from litter or possible intruders via the car park? Will consideration be given to ensuring that surrounding properties do not suffer from light pollution as a result of the floodlit car park?
2. Delivery times. The Town Council would like there to be a ban on deliveries to the site during the hours of 10 p.m. and 5 a.m. They would also wish to see a yellow line parking restriction across the front of the new properties on Ring Street to ensure this area is kept clear for through traffic (as previously mentioned in letter of 18th March 2003)
3. Pedestrian Access. As Goods Lorries, Cars and Pedestrians will all be using the same entrance Councillors feel that a barrier between the road and the footway would be beneficial to ensure the safety of pedestrians. With regard to this access Councillors

expressed concern at the original gradient of 1:12 (letter 7th April 2003) but are now even more concerned to note that the proposed gradient is now 1:10

4. With regard to the new dwellings planned for the area of the existing shop, the entrance to their parking area at the rear has been made narrower, has this left sufficient room for a visibility splay for cars leaving this car park area? Also, it should be noted that the bedroom window of the end property (nearest the aforementioned car park entrance) will look almost directly into the bedroom window of South Cottage. It is felt that this window should at least be glazed with obscure glass to ensure some degree of privacy for South Cottage.

5. With regard to the actual Supermarket Building, concern has been expressed with regard to its finished height and the colour and texture of the proposed cladding. It is felt that as this building will obviously have a visual impact on the surrounding area, in particular the adjacent properties in Barrow Hill, more consideration should be given to this visual aspect, especially bearing in mind the fact that the building will be in a Conservation Area.

In view of the above comments the Town Council would request that a site visit by the Planning Committee should take place

All agreed

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8-20 p.m.

**Minutes of Planning Committee Meeting held in the Town Council Office
On Wednesday 15th June 2005 commencing 7-30 p.m.**

Present Councillors P Ashcroft, J O'Hare, D Neal, R Penfold and I Semple Chairman

In attendance C Cllr D Fox and D Cllr G Car-Jones

To receive apologies Cllrs. W Batty-Smith, J Cowley, J Cox, D Grimes, & J Oliver.
D J Hine Town Clerk

Declarations of Interest None

Confirm minutes of last meeting and decisions of NDDC Planning Cttee

The minutes of the Planning Cttee meeting held on were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Decisions of NDDC Planning Committee

No. 0188 and LB 9033 Dike & Son Outline PP erect supermarket and dwellings – Granted
No. 0409 Thornhill House. Erect deer fence – Granted
No. 0387 Wilsfield, Ring Street. Erect single storey extension – Granted
LB. 9058 Thornhill House. Retaining Walls – Granted
No. 0408 Cranleigh, Church Hill. Erect 2 Dwellings. - Refused
LB. 9068 Tree House, Duck Lane. Rooflight and internal alterations – Granted

OPEN FORUM Planning matters only. No matters discussed

Planning Applications

No. 0557 The Methodist Church, Ring Street, Erect glazed extensions to front entrance lobby, alterations to toilet including access ramp and form pedestrian access from Stalbridge Close.

Copy of letter of objection to NDDC received from Mrs J Lover, 2 Vale Cottages. After some discussion it was proposed by J O'Hare and seconded by P Ashcroft that the proposals be objected to as it is felt that the proposed alterations to the front of the building are inappropriate bearing in mind its prominent position in the Conservation Area, although the other proposals are to be commended. All agreed.

Wessex Grain proposed Bioethanol Plant

A lengthy discussion took place but all agreed that it was a matter for the full council meeting.

Next Agenda

Any other business

P Ashcroft suggested there should be an indication on the Gates that Robert Boyle had lived in Stalbridge Park and also perhaps that Douglas Adams was associated with Stalbridge.

Next Agenda

There being no further business the meeting closed.

Minutes of Planning Committee Meeting held in the Town Council Office On Wednesday 1st June 2005 commencing 7-30 p.m.

Present Councillors W Batty-Smith, J Cowley, J Cox, D Neal, R Penfold and I Semple Chairman, D J Hine (Clerk)

In attendance 4 members of the public

To receive apologies D Cllr G Carr-Jones, P Ashcroft, D Grimes, J O'Hare and D Short

Declarations of Interest None W Batty-Smith attended in an advisory capacity only

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Decisions of NDDC Planning Committee

No official notifications received but W Batty-Smith advised that Mr W Dike has now been granted outline planning permission for the new supermarket and dwellings

OPEN FORUM Planning matters only.

Re. The Arrandale application a neighbour asked if the boundary wall is to be retained but it is now obvious from the plan

Planning Applications

No. 0500 Adbruf, Gibbs Marsh. Erect single storey extension. It was proposed by J Cox and seconded by J Cowley that there be no objections. All agreed

No. 0480 Arrandal, Barrow Hill. Erect 2 dwellings and garages. It was proposed by J Cox and seconded by J Cowley that there be objections to this application on the grounds that it would have an adverse impact of neighbouring properties and it is overdevelopment of the site. Ref. RF02/03. All agreed

Additional item

The Chairman requested that it be noted in the Minutes that Councillors had attended a presentation by Wessex Grain (either in Stalbridge or Henstridge) with regard to their proposed Bioethanol Plant on the Henstridge airfield site.
Place on next agenda

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7-50 p.m

**Minutes of Planning Committee Meeting held in the Town Council Office
On Wednesday 18th May 2005 commencing 7-30 p.m.**

Present Councillors P Ashcroft, D Grimes, D Neal, J O'Hare and I Semple Chairman, D J Hine (Clerk)

In attendance Mr S Thompson and Mr H DeIongh of DCA and 1 elector

To receive apologies Cllrs J Cowley, J Cox and R Penfold. (P Ashcroft apologised for not being able to attend the site meeting)

Declarations of Interest None

Confirm minutes of last meeting and decisions of NDDC Planning Cttee

The minutes of the Planning Cttee meeting held on 4th May were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Decisions of NDDC Planning Committee None

OPEN FORUM Planning matters only No comments

Planning Applications

LB 9068 The Tree House, Duck Lane. Change window to door or rear elevation and form new bathroom. It was proposed by J O'Hare and seconded by I Semple that there be no objections. All agreed.

No. 0408 Cranleigh, Church Hill. Amended plans. It was proposed by P Ashcroft and seconded by D Grimes that there be objections to these plans and that previous comments on the original application of this number be reiterated. All agreed.

Sign cheques

It was proposed by D Grimes and seconded by D Neal that the following cheques be signed.

Pond Close mowing £200.00

I Semple reimburse training fee 15.00

R Sharp NDDC grass and The Ring £320.00

The Clerk requested confirmation that the agreement to spend up to £250 plus VAT on a new mower for the Jubilee Play Area made last year, is still valid. This was confirmed.

The Bier House

After some discussion it was agreed to confirm with Mr Pope whether he had any tools still in the Bier House and then to arrange to dispose of what was left. It was also agreed that the residents should be asked what they would like to see done with the Bier and Bier House e.g. use it to store other items of historical interest etc. and this could be done during the proposed Town Plan process. All agreed.

Request for support to develop Local Learning Plan

Mr H De Iongh of DCA explained the project brief with regard the proposal. The main idea is to discover what is needed in the way of training for both work and leisure in the Stalbridge and Sturminster Newton areas including the smaller villages and how and where to provide this training. In order to obtain funding support is needed from Town and Parish Councils. It was therefore proposed by J O'Hare and seconded by P Ashcroft that Stalbridge Town Council fully support this initiative. All agreed.

Parish and Town Plans – Mr S Thompson DCA

Mr Thompson explained that producing a Town Plan gives all the residents an opportunity to have an input into the future of their Town. With a Town Plan in place obtaining funding from various sources for future projects is much easier. The whole project is run by a Steering Group consisting of ideally 6-8 people (not more than 12) 2 of which should be Councillors and the others drawn from various sectors. Funding towards the cost of the Plan is obtainable for up to 75% of the costs with local match funding being a minimum of 5% . The first step is for the Town Council to formally agree to go ahead with the production of a Town Plan and to form the Steering Group once that is done a grant towards the cost can be applied for. Help and advice is always available from both Mr Thompson and Mr De Iongh who suggested that at the next Community Lunch in Stalbridge, the Town Plan should be the theme. The Chairman thanked by Mr Thompson and Mr De Iongh for attending.

Next Agenda

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8-40 p.m.

Minutes of Planning Committee Meeting held in the Town Council Office On Wednesday 4th May 2005 commencing 7-30 p.m.

Present Councillors P Ashcroft, J Cox, D Grimes, D Neal, J O'Hare, I Semple, D Short
And J Cowley Chairman, D J Hine (Clerk)

In attendance D Cllr G Carr-Jones and 5 members of the public

To receive apologies Cllrs W Batty-Smith and R Penfold

Declarations of Interest J Cox declares an interest in PA No. 0441

Confirm minutes of last meeting and decisions of NDDC Planning Cttee

The minutes of the Planning Cttee meeting held on 23rd March were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Decisions of NDDC Planning Committee

No. 0966 Re-instate Keepers Cottage, Stalbridge Park. Granted
No. 0047 Cooks Farm. Siting and design for agricultural workers dwelling. Granted
No. 0126 & LB9017 Convert Stable Block to living accommodation. Stalbridge Park, Granted
LB. 9023 Sturt Farm. Internal alterations Granted
No. 0172 24 Vale Road. Erect dwelling in garden. Refused
No. 0188 Community Hall. Erect extension. Granted
No. 0209 4 Frith Farm. C of U from residential to offices etc. Granted
No. 0212 36 Grosvenor Road. Erect extension. Granted
No. 0237 Hillview, Thornhill road. Erect extension. Granted
No. 0570 The Goat House, erect workshop etc. Withdrawn
Np/00820 Sth Som. Erect Aircraft Hangar NDDC will raise no objections

OPEN FORUM Planning matters only.

Mr N Brown, Footpath Officer pointed out that the deer fence subject of PA No. 0409 crossed Footpath No. 49 and some provision for pedestrian access needs to be provided.

Planning Applications

No. 0387 Wilsfield, Ring Street. Erect extension, demolish garage. It was proposed by J Cox and seconded by P Ashcroft that there be no objections. All agreed.

No. 0408 Cranleigh, Church Hill. Erect two dwellings It was proposed by J Cox and seconded by D Grimes that this application be objected to as follows

The Town Council would reiterate comments made on previous applications for this site in that they feel that two houses and one existing bungalow on this site represent overdevelopment and would have a detrimental affect on the visual aspect of the approach to the Town. There is also the additional and very important problem of the dangerous access on to the busy main road.

In the event of Planning Officers not agreeing with the Town Council, they have asked D. Cllr G Carr-Jones to request that this application go before the Planning Committee All agreed

No. 0409 Thornhill House. Erect Deer Fence. It was proposed by J Cox and seconded by D Grimes that there be no objections provided that access to FP 49 is not obstructed. All Agreed

LB. 9058 Thornhill House. Retaining wall in garden. It was proposed by J O'Hare and seconded by J Cox that there be no objections. All agreed.

No. 0441 20 & 22 Grosvenor Road. Erect garages with room over. J Cox left the meeting whilst this application was discussed. It was proposed by P Ashcroft and seconded by J O'Hare that there be no objections and that a comment be made that the TC feel that the plans provided are ver clear and precise. All agreed.

Sth Som. 00820 Erect Hangar. Henstridge Airfield. Notification received that NDDC will be raising no objections. It was proposed by D Neal and seconded by D Grimes that the comments made by NDDC be supported. All agreed.

Notification received from NDDC that the owners of a Beech Tree at 6 Park Grove wish to fell it. It was proposed by J Cowley and seconded by J O'Hare that no tree preservation order be applied for to prevent this. Carried on a vote of 4 in favour, 3 against.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8-10 p.m.

**Minutes of Planning Committee Meeting held in the Town Council Office
On Wednesday 23rd March 2005 commencing 7-30 p.m.**

Present Councillors P Ashcroft, D Grimes, D Neal, J O'Hare and J Cowley Chairman, D J Hine (Clerk)

In attendance 2 electors

To receive apologies D Cllrs W Batty-Smith & G Carr-Jones, Cllrs. M Butterworth and J Cox

Declarations of Interest None

Confirm minutes of last meeting and decisions of NDDC Planning Cttee

The minutes of the Planning Cttee meeting held on 9th March were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Decisions of NDDC Planning Committee None received

OPEN FORUM Planning matters only. No comments

Planning Applications

No. 0212 36 Grosvenor Road. Single storey extension It was proposed by P Ashcroft and seconded by J O'Hare that there be no objections. All agreed.

No. 0237 Hillview, Thornhill Road. Extension & loft conversion It was proposed by J O'Hare and seconded by P Ashcroft that there be no objections. All agreed.

No. 0209 4 Frith Farm. C of U from residential to offices It was proposed by J Cowley and seconded by J O'Hare that there be no objections. All agreed.

No. 0272 Home Farm, Shipney Lane. Replace mobile home with dwelling. It was proposed by D Neal and seconded by J O'Hare that there be no objections and that a comment be added to the effect that if the Planning Officers disagreed with this recommendation then the Town Council request that the application should be considered by the full Planning Committee. All agreed

No. 0275 Barrowfields, Barrow Hill. Erect conservatory. It was proposed by J O'Hare and seconded by P Ashcroft that there be no objections. All agreed.

P Ashcroft reported that she had attended a School Governors' meeting and that at the present time there was no further news regarding proposals for a new school

**Resolve to exclude the public under S100 of LGA 1972 to
Discuss Clerk's Pay and Conditions**

The Clerk was not present during these discussions. The suggested new Conditions of Service and pay structure will be put on the Agenda of the next full Council meeting for ratification

It was also agreed to consider the purchase of a new Answerphone/Fax machine for The Clerk's office.

Clerk to obtain details

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8-50 p.m.

**Minutes of Planning Committee Meeting held in the Town Council Office
On Wednesday 9th March 2005 commencing 7-30 p.m.**

Present Councillors P Ashcroft, W Batty-Smith, M Butterworth, J Cox, D Grimes, D Neal, J O'Hare, R Penfold, I Semple, D Short and J Cowley Chairman, D J Hine (Clerk)

In attendance 2members of the public

To receive apologies C Cllr R Ash and D Cllr G Carr-Jones

Declarations of Interest J Cox is the TC Rep. on the Hall Management Cttee and will therefore not vote on this application. W Batty-Smith attended in an advisory capacity only

Confirm minutes of last meeting and decisions of NDDC Planning Cttee

The minutes of the Planning Cttee meeting held on 23rd February were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Decisions of NDDC Planning Committee None received

OPEN FORUM Planning matters only.

Mrs Moore, the applicant in respect of No. 0172 pointed out that the plot on which 24 Vale Road was built is a "double" plot and that if the additional property is built the amount of garden left will still be as much as most of the other properties. There will also still be room for 2 vehicles for each property to be parked "off-road"

Planning Applications

LB 9023 Internal alterations, Sturt Farmhouse. As this is purely internal no site visit had been made. J Cowley proposed and J Cox seconded that there be no objections and that the TC would be happy with the advice/decision of the Conservation Officer

No. 0172 Erect 1 dwelling, part garden, 24 Vale Road. It was proposed by J Cowley and seconded by J Cox that refusal be recommended for the following reasons

NM0 10/20 (RF 02,03,04) It is felt that this proposal would be overdevelopment of the site and result in a development of very cramped appearance and be detrimental to the visual amenity of the area and create a substandard residential environment. Bearing in mind that 24 Vale Road now has a Business Use it is also feared that increased roadside parking would prove to be a hazard. There is also the possibility that if this proposal is approved it could well create a precedent thus encouraging a great many more similar applications. If the Planning Officer disagrees with the Town Council's view then we formally request a site visit and a referral to the Development Control Committee for a decision. All agreed

No. 0188 Community Hall, Erect extension. It was proposed by J O'Hare and seconded by R Penfold that there be no objection. All agreed.

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 7-55 p.m.

Minutes of Planning Committee Meeting held in the Town Council Office On Wednesday 23rd February 2005 commencing 7-30 p.m.

Present Councillors P Ashcroft, J Cox, D Neal, J O'Hare, R Penfold, I Semple and J Cowley, Chairman, D J Hine (Clerk)

In attendance No members of the public

To receive apologies D Cllr W Carr-Jones, Cllrs. W Batty-Smith, M Butterworth & D Short

Declarations of Interest None

Confirm minutes of last meeting and decisions of NDDC Planning Cttee

The minutes of the Planning Cttee meeting held on 9th February were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Decisions of NDDC Planning Committee

No. 1283 Blacksmith's Workshop Site. Convert to residential. Refused.

No. 1274 Land at Drews Lane. Site bulk gas tank. Refused

No. 1299 Portland Cottage, Stalbridge Common. Erect extension Granted

No. 1210 The Byre, Red Lion. C of Use of pottery to residential. Granted

No. 1311 Wheatsheaf Cott. S Weston. Rear extension Granted

OPEN FORUM Planning matters only.

R Penfold expressed concern that the work being carried out on South Farm, Cooks Lane did not appear to be in accordance with the plans as he remembered them. The Clerk advised that it had been discovered that the approval granted referred to an amended plan, a copy of which had not been provided by NDDC. However, a copy of this plan has now been requested. It was pointed out that this problem with amended plans is one of the items raised in the letter from the N D Towns Alliance to the Dev. Control Manager.

Planning Applications

No. 0126 and LB 9017 The Stables, Stalbridge Park. Convert to residential It was proposed by P Ashcroft and seconded by J Cox that there be no objection and a comment added to the effect that it is hoped original features such as the bread oven will be retained. All agreed.

No. 0966 Keepers Cottage, Stalbridge Park. Amended access plan It was proposed by J Cox and seconded by P Ashcroft that there be no objection. Agreed. The question of trying to get Park Wall "Listed" was raised. J Cowley proposed that a comment stating that the T C would like the wall listed be put on the reply form, however no one seconded this. D Neal proposed that the possibility of requesting the Wall be listed be placed on the next Agenda. Agreed.

Next Agenda

No. 0116 Bramble Cottage, Waterloo Lane. Erect replacement kennel. This application is for a neighbouring Parish. It was proposed by J Cox and seconded by P Ashcroft that

there be no objection and that thanks for advising of this application be expressed. All agreed.

Possible Parish Plan

After some discussion it was agreed that the priority is to establish what benefits there are from having a Parish Plan in order to persuade residents that it is a good idea. D Neal had been in contact with DAPTC who suggested that a Simon Thomson of Dorset Community Action can give lots of advice. It was proposed by D Neal and seconded by J O'Hare that he be contacted and asked to attend a meeting. All agreed.

Clerk to arrange

With regard to the question of liaison with other Parishes, J Cowley advised that Okeford Fitzpaine would be willing to host the event. J Cox proposed and J Cowley seconded that this offer be accepted. Agreed.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8-55 p.m.

Minutes of Planning Committee Meeting held in the Town Council Office On Wednesday 9th February 2005 commencing 7-30 p.m.

Present Councillors P Ashcroft, W Batty-Smith, J Cox, D Grimes, D Neal, R Penfold, D Short and J Cowley, Chairman, D J Hine (Clerk)

In attendance D Cllr G Carr-Jones and 5 members of the public

To receive apologies C Cllr R Ash. Cllrs M Butterworth and J O'Hare.

Chairman also apologised for the fact that the Notice of the Meeting had wrongly stated that the meeting would start at 7-00 rather than the usual 7-30 p.m. and also that on a previous occasion the wrong month had been quoted. He then commented that he had, on behalf of himself and the Town Council, apologised to C Cllr Mrs R Ash prior to the commencement of the meeting, for the errors. He said that Mrs Ash had elected not to remain for the meeting and had said that such information as she was bringing to the meeting would have to wait until the next meeting.

Declarations of Interest None. W Batty-Smith attended in an advisory capacity only

Confirm minutes of last meeting and decisions of NDDC Planning Cttee

The minutes of the Planning Cttee meeting held on 26th January 2005 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Decisions of NDDC Planning Committee None received

OPEN FORUM Planning matters only. No comments

Planning Applications

No. 0047 Cooks Farm – Revised design for Agricultural Worker’s Dwelling. Although outline permission has been granted, the previous application for full planning permission had been turned down by both NDDC and on appeal, as the dwelling was considered too large. The new plan shows a smaller dwelling. It was proposed by J Cox and seconded by D Neal that there be no objections but if granted, permitted development rights be removed in order that the house cannot be enlarged. Agreed, 5 in favour.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7-45 p.m.

Minutes of Planning Committee Meeting held in the Town Council Office On Wednesday 26th January 2005 commencing 7-30 p.m.

Present Councillors P Ashcroft, J Cox, D Grimes, D Neal, and J Cowley Chairman, D J Hine (Clerk)

In attendance No members of the public

To receive apologies W Batty-Smith, M Butterworth, J O’Hare, R Penfold and D Short

Declarations of Interest None

Confirm minutes of last meeting and decisions of NDDC Planning Cttee

The minutes of the Planning Cttee meeting held 12th January on were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Decisions of NDDC Planning Committee None received

OPEN FORUM Planning matters only. No comments

Planning Applications None

The main purposes of the meeting was to meet with Ms N Murray, the Rural Housing Enabler however she sent her apologies at the last minute.

Arrange valuation of The Cross

When check the Inventory and Insurance details it was decided that a more professional valuation for Insurance purposes of The Cross was required. English Heritage do not carry out this type of work, the recommended an Insurance Broker who in turn recommended that we approach a Chartered Surveyor. The first one approached suggested we would be better off contacting a Stone Mason. Eventually three quotations were received for the cost of visiting Stalbridge and giving a valuation based on re-build costs. It was agreed to ask Mr Harry Jonas, Stonemason, from Berwick St John to value The Cross for the sum of £60.

Clerk to arrange

Other Business

The Clerk reported on her meeting with the other N D Town Clerks and the Chief Exec. On 19th January in Sturminster. Apparently there is to be an increase in enforcement action with regard to dog fouling, litter dropping etc and Mr Bartlett, the Community Safety Officer may well be in touch with regard arranging a meeting to discuss this. A Mr Stephen Hill has been appointed with responsibility for Resources, Property and several other areas at N D D C. With regard to the Budget Consultation meetings, Liz Goodall advised that these were being conducted by an outside Agency and there was a limited budget which is why Stalbridge had been omitted. However at the suggestion of The Clerk, they will consider sending an officer to the Stalbridge C Office to take suggestions regarding the Budget from Stalbridge residents.

Letter received from NDDC Policy Manager, Planning advising that the District Wide Local Plan will eventually be replaced by the Local Development Framework and leaflets regarding this will be supplied for distribution. Consultants have also been appointed to carry out an audit on Open Spaces and an assessment of recreation needs in the District.

D Neal suggested that as the Pharmacist and her husband are leaving the Pharmacy next week, a letter of thanks for their hard work and dedication should be sent. All agreed.

Clerk to write.

The Clerk advised that she had contacted Mr N Pope asking for an up-date on the survey of land regarding a possible burial ground and he assured her that this is now in hand and should be carried out shortly. There is also a PCC meeting on Thursday 27th and the whole matter should be discussed by them.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8-30 p.m.

**Minutes of Planning Committee Meeting held in the Town Council Office
On Wednesday 12th January 2005 commencing 7-30 p.m.**

Present Councillors P Ashcroft, W Batty-Smith, M Butterworth, J Cox, D Grimes, D Neal, J O'Hare, R Penfold, D Short and J Cowley Chairman, D J Hine (Clerk)

In attendance 9 members of the public

To receive apologies C Cllr Mrs R Ash, D Cllr G Carr-Jones

Declarations of Interest

W Batty-Smith pointed out he was there in an advisory capacity only and would take no part in any decision making

Confirm minutes of last meeting and decisions of NDDC Planning Cttee

The minutes of the Planning Cttee meeting held on 15th December were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Decisions of NDDC Planning Committee

No. 1177 Priors Oak, Station Road. Erect extension. Granted

No. 1198 Cooks Lane. Extend agricultural building. Granted

OPEN FORUM Planning matters only.

Re. PA 1311 A neighbour of Wheatsheaf Cottage said they had no objection to the actual extension but would prefer it to be in a different place

Re PA 1283 The Applicant said that he hoped that the proposed development would provide an income and perhaps a home for his special needs son.

A resident of Robinson Heights objected to the height of the roof of the dwelling proposed near her property

Planning Applications

No. 1274 Drews Lane. Form access and site gas tank Copies of four letters of objection addressed to NDDC received from Foxlea Farm and Stud, Mrs S Turner, Mr & Mrs Eason and Mr T Lee. It was proposed by J O'Hare and seconded by J Cox that there be no objection provided that no mature trees are felled to provide the access and that the Highways Dept., are happy with the proposed access. 6 in favour

No. 1283 Blacksmith's Workshop site. Convert to dwellings It was proposed by P Ashcroft and seconded by J Cox that refusal be recommended on the grounds that the

loss of 2 successful commercial premises as a result of the proposed conversion to residential would be detrimental to the Town. 8 in favour.

No. 1299 Portland Cottage, Stalbridge Common. Erect extensions. It was proposed by J O'Hare and seconded by J Cox that there be no objections. All agreed. It was also agreed to comment that the Town Council found the plans to be very helpful.

No. 1311 Wheatsheaf Cott. S Weston. Rear extension. It was proposed by P Ashcroft and seconded by M Butterworth that there be no objections. 4 in favour (6 abstentions)
Carried.

The Clerk advised that the Rural Housing Enabler would be attending the next Planning Meeting on the 26th January.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8-10 p.m.