



Coleford Town Council

**Planning Committee
Tuesday 9th February 2021
6.00 pm - 6.55 pm (Via Zoom)
Minutes**

**Attendees: Cllrs. M Cox, Penny, Elsmore, S Cox, Beard and Kyne
Mr W Williams**

- 1. Apologies noted from Drury**
2. There were no declarations of interests
3. There were no dispensation request
4. The minutes of 26 January 2020 were approved
- 5. To raise matters from the minutes of 26 January 2021**

Item 5: Cllr. M Cox summarised the response from Andrew Phillips, CCG, Glos, and it was agreed that this would be considered further once the planning application has been submitted re: new Health Centre

6. To take comments from the public forum

Mr Williams stated that he was keen to hear an update re: Lidl and, in respect of the proposed new health centre, felt that it would be too late, once it had got to planning stage, and his comments were noted.

7. To update on Lidl access

Cllr. M Cox summarised, and it was reported that there had been no further clarification from Lidl, in response to further attempts to clarify, by letter with them. The Assistant Clerk reported on a telephone exchange he had had, in respect of the last letter sent, and had been disappointed with what he believed to be a disappointingly dismissive tone, with the Lidl representative, in respect of that clarification. Cllr. Penny also reported that he had had contact, with his contact at Lidl, who was investigating further and would speak to her again, in an attempt to progress outstanding matters. Cllr. M Cox further updated on recent works undertaken, by Lidl, having visited the site. It was noted that further improvements to the Old Station Way disability access were now in place, but no difference to the rear access. The sign for access to the Town Centre via Pyart Court was still not in evidence. The Building Inspectorate had still not forwarded completion certificates to FoDDC. After further discussion, it was agreed to wait to see what Cllr. Penny might be able to achieve, through his contact at Lidl, and then for the Town Council to consider writing again to Lidl, to include raising the manner of the telephone exchange from the Lidl employee to the Assistant Clerk, which Council felt was not acceptable.

8. To note recent planning decisions

Cllr. M Cox summarised decisions listed, and raised concerns re: Planning application P2104/20/FUL (40 Sparrow Hill) in that Welsh Water had not been consulted despite the clear statement that '*Severn Trent is not admissible for sewerage. This should be requested from Welsh Water, the relevant authority*' within the comment sent by this town council planning committee, re: this application. The officer report was incorrect, and should have explored the local knowledge provided by the Council as is our role. Cllr. Elsmore particularly, also raised concerns in respect of this matter. After further discussion, it was agreed that the Town Council should formally write to FoDDC, Planning with regard to officers not giving due attention to CTC comments.

9. To consider the following applications:



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Reference	Address	Proposal	Comments
P0176/21/TPO	Angus Buchanan Recreation Ground Victoria Road Coleford Gloucestershire GL16 8DS	Prune to 2.5 m above ground level. G5 6 Horse Chestnut, 2 Lime, 1 Silver Birch, 2 Robinia. G6 3 Oak, 1 Sycamore and 2 Horse Chestnut.	No Objection but each species to be pruned at its correct time of the year, see arboriculturalist advice.
P0112/21/TPO	7 The Paddocks Coleford Gloucestershire GL16 7PX	Fell to ground level Ash tree (TP02-T8)	Objection: the application lacks any qualified arboriculturalist's assessment of tree confirming evidence of ash die back. If ash die back is confirmed by them, and if the tree must be taken down to the ground, then the expert should advise on a suitable replacement tree, for that situation, and environment (Coleford NDP CNE3 Green Infrastructure)
P0113/21/TPO	8 The Paddocks Coleford Gloucestershire GL16 7PX	Fell to ground level Ash tree (T9).	Objection: the application lacks any qualified arboriculturalist's assessment of tree confirming evidence of ash die back. If ash die back is confirmed by them, and if the tree must be taken down to the ground, then the expert should advise on a suitable replacement tree, for that situation, and environment (Coleford NDP CNE3 Green Infrastructure)
P0152/21/FUL	4 The Purples Coalway Coleford Gloucestershire GL16 7JL	Erection of a two storey side extension with associated works	No Objection , subject to clarification re: impact on any protected species, eg newts, and that such is absolutely minimised, as part of any redesign (Coleford NDP CNE3 Green Infrastructure)
P0104/21/FUL	10 Primrose Drive Milkwall Coleford Gloucestershire GL16 7PU	Erection of a single storey side extension	No Objection , subject to Welsh Water being consulted for their opinion re: sewerage and Severn Trent re drainage and advice followed.