

BERWICK-UPON-TWEED TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Town Council Planning Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, 15 August 2017 at 6.30pm in the Ante-Room, Town Hall, Marygate, Berwick-upon-Tweed

PRESENT:

Councillors:	A Bowlas (Chair)	A Forbes
	R Bruce	C Lewis
	I Dixon	G Smith
	B Douglas	G Thomson

IN ATTENDANCE:

G Davies, Town Clerk

S Cozens, Assistant to the Clerk

1 member of the public

OPEN SESSION

A local resident raised concerns regarding Spittal including a planning application that had recently been granted permission, the potential economics of the village and a perceived lack of any plan. Also noted by the resident was the Neighbourhood Plan which is not advanced enough to affect planning applications and that infrastructure is vital. The resident then left the meeting. It was noted that an item regarding Berwick Regeneration Commission would be considered at the next meeting of Council.

P032/17 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence had been accepted from: Cllr G Roughead.

P033/17 2. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 18 July 2017 were agreed and signed as a correct record.

P034/17 3. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

Councillor A Bowlas declared an interest in Item 6, Application 17/02488/FUL (1 Grange Loaning, Berwick-upon-Tweed, Northumberland. TD15 1QN).

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4. REQUEST FOR DISPENSATION

There were no requests for dispensation.

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5. LOCAL NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The evidence base for the plan is now complete. Training will be provided to members of the Steering Group to aide them in the writing of policies. It is hoped that a draft plan will go before the inspector within the council municipal year. The referendum on the plan could potentially be held in the summer.

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6. APPLICATIONS FOR PLANNING PERMISSION

17/02000/FUL

**Change of use to class B1 including replace existing window with door.
Cow Port Offices, The Parade, Berwick-upon-Tweed, Northumberland.**

TD15 1DF

No objections.

17/02488/FUL

Proposal to erect a new dwelling house.

1 Grange Loaning, Berwick-upon-Tweed, Northumberland. TD15 1QN

After considering the application and associated documentation, the committee resolved to ask the Planning Officer to consider whether conditions were required:

1. To require boundary walls to be made and constructed, including pointing, in a way that was in keeping with surrounding boundaries, and
2. To consider restricting permitted development rights to prevent upward development that might lead to overlooking of adjacent properties.

17/02537/VARYCO

Variation of condition 5 (cooking restrictions) of planning permission

15/00104/FUL to allow for more substantial kitchen facilities.

64 - 66 Bridge Street, Berwick-upon-Tweed, Northumberland. TD15 1AQ

Members considered such documentation as was available to them, and were acutely aware of the possibility that extraction systems and plant might impinge on adjacent properties. Members concluded that without further information as to the type and impact of these systems, and the effect of them on adjacent

properties, they could not make a decision on this application, and urged the applicants to re-submit it with further and clearer particulars.

17/02596/FUL

Proposed remodelling and renovation of existing first floor flat into 2 No. flats, including creation of communal staircase and additionally demolition of an existing outbuilding and formation of a new fire escape staircase within the enclosed yard to the rear of the property.

31 Castlegate, Berwick-upon-Tweed, Northumberland. TD15 1LF

No objections.

17/02597/FUL

Works to the existing shop frontage which is in need of general maintenance and repair works, including the replacement of the existing front door, repair where required of existing timber work and windows and redecoration of all, break off and remove the existing area of broken tiles below the windows and replace with Doddington stone and removal of the existing marble effect steps leading into the shop replacing these with Doddington stone.

31 Castlegate, Berwick-upon-Tweed, Northumberland. TD15 1LF

No objections.

17/02650/FUL

Relocation of bathroom. Construction of new room.

26 Palace Street, Berwick-upon-Tweed, Northumberland. TD15 1HN

No objections.

17/02805/PRUTPO

Tree Preservation Order for T28 Sycamore crown reduction by 25% and T25 Beech 25% crown reduction.

The Hollies, 46 Castle Terrace, Berwick-upon-Tweed, Northumberland.

TD15 1NZ

No objections.

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7. PLANNING APPLICATION DECISION LIST

The decisions provided in the attachment were noted.

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8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting would be Tuesday, 12 September 2017 at 6.30 pm.