

**Minutes of a Meeting of the Planning & Townscape Committee held at the Town Hall, Rye on Monday 8 July 2019**

**PRESENT** Councillors David Bookless, Mike Boyd (Mayor), Cheryl Creaser (**Committee Chairman**), Chris Hoggart, Pat Hughes, Sam Souster, Andy Stuart, Sam Wood

**IN ATTENDANCE** Richard Farhall - Town Clerk; Jessica Neame – Deputy Town Clerk Designate; Cllrs John Breeds, Rebekah Gilbert (Deputy Mayor), Jo Kirkham, Ian Potter, Andi Rivett; John Minter – *Rye News*; 1 member of the public

*The meeting commenced at 6.54pm.*

**17 APOLOGIES**  
There was none.

**18 CODE OF CONDUCT: DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**  
There was none.

*The Chairman adjourned the meeting for public comments/questions. There was none so the meeting reconvened.*

**19 MINUTES**

**RESOLVED** To adopt the Minutes of the Planning and Townscape meeting held on 24 June 2019 (PT03).

**20 MATTERS ARISING**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Status</b>
Gilfrin Jewellers (side) - exploring the implications of RTC applying for advertising consent (community banners)	Outstanding – Clerk to seek an informal opinion from RDC
Obtain costings to improve signage to the town centre within Gibbet Marsh Car Park	Outstanding
Asking RDC to consider removing the Gibbet Marsh Car Parking charges – or introducing a discounted scheme for traders and residents	Outstanding
Asking Highways to confirm it has ‘no left turn’ signage outside Lancaster Court in hand.	Referred to Highways Forum
Pedestrian rail crossings – supporting Edward Williams’ concerns	In progress
Installation of CCTV (monitoring on street parking) - ascertaining the likely cost and practicalities.	The Working Party is exploring a potentially cheaper option, linking with an existing system
Asking RDC to add a note to its planning	Outstanding

web site explaining how two plans might be viewed simultaneously.	
RR/2018/258/P Lamb House (Drawing the applicant's attention to the ongoing parking issues).	Outstanding
A259 Resurfacing – Resolved 1 (Advising a-one+ of the need to avoid the Rye Festival and Rye Bonfire)	Outstanding
A259 Resurfacing – Resolved 2 (Reminding a-one+ to involve the Highways Forum in plans for future works).	Outstanding
To write to the CEOs of LloydsTSB, Nationwide and Barclays - requesting their branch viability/closure policies – whilst highlighting the concerns following: a) Loss of ATMs; b) The age profile of visitors to the town means that many prefer to make retail purchases with cash; c) East Sussex has a high proportion of older residents who chose/prefer not to bank online and branch closures exacerbate isolation; d) Having to travel to another town to bank cash and obtain change is more environmentally unfriendly than switching to 'paperless statements'.	Partly outstanding – it was noted that a response had been received from Barclay's CEO.
Planning applications – inadequate validation (making representations)	Outstanding

## 21 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

### **RESOLVED To submit the comments below to the Local Planning Authority:**

- RR/2019/1324/P Rye College, Love Lane, Rye TN31 7NQ  
Installation of light columns to staff car park.  
SUPPORT REFUSAL Over-illumination; adverse impact on the amenity of those living in the locality; unnecessary light pollution; no indication of illumination times.
- RR/2019/1362/P 129 Udimore Road, Rye TN31 7EA  
Conversion and first floor extension of attached single garage to form two-bedroom ancillary annexe and replacement side secondary wall.  
SUPPORT APPROVAL Subject to the annexe not being used as a separate dwelling.
- RR/2019/1304/P 8 Watchbell Street, Little Curfew, Rye TN31 7EA  
RR/2019/1305/L Removal and replacement/enlargement of 2016 extension at rear of house. Repair and renewal of defective mains drain beneath rear courtyard. Conservation of existing/external brick courtyard wall between no. 8 and no. 9. Restoration of existing rear face of house, including surrounding garden walls to courtyard.  
SUPPORT APPROVAL

RR/2017/2217/P  
AMENDED

17-19 Tower Street, Rye TN31 7AT  
Refurbishment of existing units. Change of use of 6 units from commercial to residential. Minor landscaping works to courtyard.  
SUPPORT APPROVAL Subject to the Highways Authority's comments being taken into account. Preference for the provision of secure bicycle parking.

*The meeting ended at 7.12pm.*

Date .....

Chairman .....