

PETWORTH TOWN COUNCIL

A MEETING OF THE TRAFFIC AND PLANNING COMMITTEE WAS HELD ON THURSDAY
6TH FEBRUARY 2014 IN THE TOWN COUNCIL OFFICE
AT 7.00 PM

PRESENT: Mr. N Fox (Chairman), Mr. B Walsh, Mrs. J Fynes,
and Mr. C Kemp.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs. H Cruikshank (Assistant Clerk)

There were eight members of the public present.

1. Apologies were received from Mr Lintill and Mrs Hodgkins. Mr. Burden and Mrs Goldthorp did not attend.

The Chairman welcomed the public to the meeting.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 29th January 2014, having been circulated, it was proposed by Mr. Walsh, seconded by Mr. Kemp that they be signed.

4. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Mr. Fox updated Councillors on the following approved application.

SDNP/13/05864/HOUS

Mr & Mrs N Fieldhouse, Thurston, 5 Sheepdown Close, Petworth

Rear ground floor extension, new doors and rear external staircase from kitchen to garden.

New Applications

Following on from the last planning meeting where there were concerns relating to the Cooperative proposal which needed answering before the Council submitted a decision, it was hoped that a representative from their transport and delivery team would be in attendance. Unfortunately no-one was able to come but the agent for The Co-operative Food Group proposal was in attendance to answer any questions and feedback any concerns parishioners and the Town Council may have on the planning applications.

The agent, Mr Funnell clarified the proposal and said there would be separate planning applications submitted at a later date including those for the toilet, plant and soundproofing. The Parishioners in attendance each had 2 minutes to speak their concerns mainly highlighting their worries regarding noise, internal alterations to windows and doors, structural fears and also security in the shared areas. The agent stressed that the Co-op wants to keep everyone happy and they are willing to discuss all the

alterations with the neighbouring residents and are keen to address any issues. Mr Funnell would feedback all the concerns raised tonight.

The Chairman thanked everyone for coming along and to Mr Funnell for answering everyone's questions very well.

SDNP/13/06000/FUL and SDNP/14/00063/LIS

The Cooperative Food group Ltd

Richard Gardner Antiques, Swan House, Market Square, Petworth

Minor ground floor internal alterations to an existing listed building, the installation of new external surfacing to form a compliant access and minor alterations to external toilet block windows to allow the installation of internal refrigeration and air conditioning plant.

Decision: Objection on the basis as follows:

- *There is a cause for comment about the noise created by this proposal with regard to traffic, plant, deliveries and general noise.*
- *Any alterations, however minor need to be sympathetic to the listed building in particular the existing entrance and shared parts of the building.*
- *The Town Council's main concerns are the delivery proposals and schedules for the new store site. They are not happy with vehicles potentially reversing up a one-way street, this is deemed not only dangerous but contrary to Highway law. This poses a serious Highways issue.*
- *Furthermore if vehicles are reversing and then parking alongside the entrance to the proposed new store, they will be obstructing the entrance for pedestrians (causing danger to customers and Co-op staff trying to avoid lorries and delivery vans). In addition the neighbouring business Basmati Restaurant will also have its entrance blocked. There are also structural concerns to the proposed delivery site.*
- *Petworth Town Council would like to see restrictions on all deliveries to between the hours of: Monday-Saturday 7.30am - 6.30pm and Sunday 9am - 4pm*

The Town Council are very happy to enter into further discussion with the applicant and are not adverse to the Co-op taking on the building but do have grave concerns about deliveries.

SDNP/13/05874/ FUL

Mr Muhammad Musa, Petworth Station Railway Bridge, Station Road, Petworth

The structure is to be repaired by way of traditional brickwork repairs; stitching of voussoir fractures; dismantling and rebuilding of parapets, tree and vegetation removal, buttressing of north east wing wall and the provision of additional fencing.

Decision: No objection

Withdrawn Application

SDNP/13/05402/OUT

Mrs. Sally Adams, WSCC, Rotherlea, Dawtrey Road, Petworth

Erect 33 dwellings, Dawtrey Road, Petworth

5. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

The Assistant Clerk confirmed the Clerk had reported the flooding on Wyndham Road, South Grove and Lombard Street. The Chairman said the problem was ever increasing in Wyndham Road and South Grove and asked the Assistant Clerk to get onto WSCC Highways for an update and to stress its importance.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.15pm.