

# HUNGERFORD TOWN COUNCIL

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**MINUTES** of the **Environment and Planning Committee** held on 12<sup>th</sup> October 2015 at 7.00 pm in the Corn Exchange complex, Hungerford.

**Present:** Cllrs Farrell, Winsor, Crane, Brookman, Colloff and Small  
Also present: Geoff Adams, Adviser

1. **Apologies for absence.** None
2. **Declarations of interest.** None
3. **Minutes of the meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> September 2015.** Cllr Crane proposed minutes of the meeting as a true record, seconded by Cllr Winsor all in favour. It was noted that the Marina flats are only for staff accommodation.
4. **District Councillors Report.** District Cllrs not present. Given the continuation of the Eddington work, District Cllrs should be present to explain. It is understood that stop paperwork is not ready. District Cllrs gave the previous stop dates, not HTC. There is no planning consent at this current time. Cllr Farrell will keep chasing for updates. The buildings could still be removed.
5. **Planning Applications:-**
  - (a) **15/02480/HOUSE**  
**Sebastian Monk**  
**23 The Croft**  
Replacement front porch and veranda to rear of property. New conservation roof lights into loft space and new basement level window on east elevation.  
*Please note that this submission replaces application 15/01798/HOUSE on which no further action will be taken for technical reasons concerning the Certificates of Ownership, Any comments made on the application will **NOT** be carried forward to this and it will be necessary for further comments to be submitted.*  
Cllr Winsor proposed **no objection**, seconded by Cllr Crane, all in favour.
  - (b) **15/02493/TELE56**  
**Waldon Telecoms Ltd**  
**John O'Gaunt School**  
Proposed upgrade of telecommunications site 10719 at John O Gaunt School, Priory Road, Hungerford  
The Mast should be no higher than the existing but it is difficult to picture as there are no drawings supplied. **Action:** Clerk to request drawings.  
Cllr Colloff proposed no decision should be made until plans are seen, seconded by Cllr Crane, all in favour.
6. **Neighbourhood Plan** – The discussion is to establish whether it is cost effective to put in place a neighbourhood plan for Hungerford. The anticipated cost is in the region of £25-45k. It was thought that the time-scales and cost both point to this not being effective. Th auditor has highlighted that HTC are losing out with CIL payments with a reduction from 25% to 15% because we don't have a neighbourhood plan in place.

Our town plan is an adopted community plan. The working party are bringing forward their DPD meeting to the first week of November. A Neighbourhood Plans identifies areas of development. **Action:** Clerk to see which parishes have a plan in place and what have been the benefits. Speak to NALC. Previous advice from WBC was Hungerford is too small for a NP. It was decided to obtain more info and to ask Cllr Hudson to speak at next E&P. Cllr Colloff advised Sunningdale (East Berkshire) have a Neighbourhood Plan. **Action:** Add to next agenda.

**Meeting closed at 7.30pm**