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## **Draft Minutes of the meeting of Workington Town Council Planning Committee held on Monday 1 June 2015 at 6pm in the Town Hall, Workington.**

V Morgan (chair)	Present
A Bales	Present
B Cannon	Absent
D Cashman	Present
M Heaslip	Present
J Holliday	Present
C Johanssen	Present
A McGuckin	Apologies
P McHarry	Present
W Reville	Present
D Rollo	Present
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In attendance Town Clerk, Cllr F Johnston

### **P15.1 Apologies**

Apologies were received from Cllr A McGuckin

### **P15.2 Declarations of Interest**

It was agreed to highlight these as they arose.

### **P15.3 Exclusion of Press and Public (Public Bodies Admission to Meetings Act 1960)**

No issues were raised.

### **P15.4 Minutes of the last meeting**

The committee received the minutes of the meeting on 5 May 2015 and affirmed them as a true record.

### **P15.5 Neighbourhood Planning**

The clerk gave a context to this standing item for the benefit of new members. It was observed that the recent Queen's Speech included a provision to make the process of Neighbourhood Planning easier for parishes.

**Resolved:** To engage with Planning Officers at Allerdale Borough Council, seeking their attendance at a future meeting to look at the potential for Neighbourhood Planning initiatives in Workington.

### **P15.6 Traffic Order Notification**

The committee considered a notification from the County Council of their intention to 'make' the County of Cumbria (Various Roads, Workington and Surrounding Area) (Consolidation and Provision of Traffic Regulations) Order 2012. Queries were raised about parking provision on Hall Brow, which the clerk was asked to raise with the Traffic Management team at Cumbria County Council.

**Resolved:** To note the report. To contact the county council for further information concerning Hall Brow.

### **P15.7 Planning Applications**

The committee considered the following planning applications received from Allerdale Borough Council:

1) 2/2015/0269	Mrs Elizabeth Hancox 48 Elizabeth Street Workington	Replacement windows.	The committee reflected on their previous assertions that traditional materials should be preferred on street facing developments in the Conservation Area. There was some discussion as to whether the latest UPVC sash windows were virtually the same as timber to look at, however some members were not convinced. A vote was taken, which came out 6:3 in favour of refusal. <b><u>Recommend Refusal:</u></b> In street facing developments in the Conservation Area, traditional materials should be used.
2) 2/2015/0270	Mr Andrew Clemence 7 Richmond Close Workington	Proposed extension to provide additional living accommodation.	<b><u>No objections</u></b>
3) 2/2015/0276	McDonald's Restaurants	Advertisement	<b><u>No objections</u></b>

	Ltd Derwent Drive Derwent Howe Industrial Estate Workington	consent for the erection of an illuminated totem sign.	
4) 2/2015/0279	Mrs Glenys Walker Yankees Bar Ltd 37 Washington Street Workington	Proposed improved access and internal and external re- ordering.	The committee welcomed the improvements, but noted its long standing position on the use of traditional materials in the Conservation Area. <b><u>Recommend approval</u></b> with the condition that traditional materials are used for street facing windows in the Conservation Area.
5) 2/2015/0280	McDonald's Restaurants Ltd 5 Derwent Drive Derwent Howe Industrial Estate Workington	Advertisement consent for various signs including illuminated totem signs for Drive-Thru.	<b><u>No objections</u></b>
6) 2/2015/0285	JD Wetherspoon Plc The Henry Bessemer New Oxford Street Workington	Conversion of external space into beer garden. New fence and access gates. Replace 3 windows with double doors.	The committee noted that the external space was an unadopted Back Lane and that the proposal would block entry from Oxford Street. WTC had worked in conjunction with ABC last year to tidy the lane, and further work was planned. <b><u>Recommend Refusal</u></b>
7) 2/2015/0287	Mr and Mrs Murray Elmbank 42 High Street Workington	Listed building consent to replace cast iron guttering to the 3 storey section of	<b><u>No objections</u></b>

		the main building, fronting High Street, with seamless aluminium guttering of similar profile.	
8) PB/2015/0053	Mr John Sherlock Phone box at junction of River View Stainburn Road Workington	Removal of telephone and replace with defibrillator inside kiosk.	<b><u>No objections*</u></b>
9) PB/2015/0055	Mr John Sherlock Phone box at Moss Bay Road Workington	Removal of telephone and replace with defibrillator inside kiosk.	<b><u>No objections*</u></b> On planning grounds, however the committee noted that usage of this box was high and there may be other reasons for the council to object to the facility being withdrawn.
10) PB/2015/0059	Mr John Sherlock Phone box adjacent to Northside Post Office Far Moss Northside Workington	Removal of telephone and replace with defibrillator inside kiosk.	<b><u>No objections*</u></b>
11) PB/2015/0061	Mr John Sherlock Phone box adjacent to St Michael's Churchyard Falcon Place Workington	Removal of telephone and replace with defibrillator inside kiosk.	<b><u>No objections*</u></b>
12) PB/2015/0062	Mr John Sherlock Phone box at junction of Harrington Rd & Bird St Workington	Removal of telephone and replace with defibrillator inside kiosk.	<b><u>No objections*</u></b>
13) PB/2015/0063	Mr John Sherlock Phone box near to road junction of Adams Road and Lakes Road Derwent Howe Industrial Estate Workington	Removal of telephone and replace with defibrillator inside kiosk.	<b><u>No objections*</u></b>

14) PB/2015/0089	Mr John Sherlock Phone box opposite The Ship Inn Harbour Road Harrington Workington	Removal of telephone and replace with defibrillator inside kiosk.	<b><u>No objections*</u></b>
15) PB/2015/0090	Mr John Sherlock Phone box adjacent to 105 Main Road High Harrington Workington	Removal of telephone and replace with defibrillator inside kiosk.	<b><u>No objections*</u></b>
16) PB/2015/0091	Mr John Sherlock Phone box opposite The Crescent Salterbeck Road Workington	Removal of telephone and replace with defibrillator inside kiosk.	<b><u>No objections*</u></b>
17) 2/2015/0272	Mr Kevin Dulake Allerdale Borough Council The Old Rectory 5 Dora Crescent Workington	Listed Building Consent for security shuttering to all windows and doors.	<b><u>No objections</u></b>
18) 2/2015/0291	McDonald's Restaurants Ltd Derwent Drive Derwent Howe Industrial Estate Workington	Proposed extensions resulting in reconfiguration of patio area and relocation of car parking spaces. Construction of a covered corral / dry store. New cladding on window booths and alterations to kerbs and pedestrian crossings to accommodate new extension to front.	<b><u>No objections</u></b>
19) 2/2015/0293	McDonald's Restaurants Ltd 5 Derwent Drive Derwent Howe Industrial Estate Workington	Advertisement consent for replacement illuminated signs to roof.	<b><u>No objections</u></b>

20) 2/2015/0295	Hudson Swan Engineering Ltd Unit 2 Peart Road Derwent Howe Industrial Estate Workington	Change of use from existing B1 and B8 to include the use of B2.	<b><u>No objections</u></b>
21) 2/2015/0296	Mr Ken Wilson Access road to Moor House Farm Winscales Workington	Installation of a single wind turbine with a maximum height to tip of 45m.	The committee noted this was one of several applications for development on this site. It observed that the recent solar farm application had been refused because of its impact on the last remaining green space between Workington and Lillyhall. The placing of a wind turbine in this gap was no less undesirable, representing an unwelcome extension of the wind turbine zones to the east of Workington, with documented consequences for bird flight patterns and visual amenity. <b><u>Recommend Refusal</u></b>
22) 2/2015/0313	Mr Gerald Mitchell Land adjacent to 72 Corporation Road Workington	Change of use of paved land to domestic garden.	The committee noted that the proposal was on land which would properly be considered highway, being a paved and pedestrianised area of Byron Street. It was noted that this

			was the site of a former coal shaft. <b><u>Recommend</u></b> <b><u>Refusal</u></b>
23) 2/2015/0315	Mr Mark Robinson Plot 3 Stoneyheugh Farm Ellerbeck Lane Workington	Reserved matters application for the erection of a single 5 bed dwelling as approved by part of outline application 2/2013/0881.	The committee noted its original objection to this development outside the settlement boundary of Workington and had no further comments.

\*Note: the telephone kiosks have been considered on material planning grounds only. The council has not consented to the withdrawal of service from these phones, which it believes requires a separate form of consultation. The council has not been approached, and therefore has expressed no opinion on whether it is likely to assist in the adoption of these boxes.

The meeting concluded at 19.21