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Minutes of a meeting of Frome Town Council's Planning Advisory Group

Date: Thursday 16th June 2016
 Time: 6.00pm
 Venue: The Saxonvale Centre, Garsdale, Frome BA11 1RZ

Present:

Frome Town Councillors: Richard Ackroyd, Colin Cobb Pippa Goldfinger & Shelia Gore
 Mendip District Councillors: Des Harris

In attendance:

Members of the public: 3
 Jane Llewellyn, Planning & Development Officer
 Hannah Paniccia, Finance & Administration Apprentice

Minute Ref	Agenda Item	Action
2016/041P	1 QUESTIONS, COMMENTS AND INFORMATION FROM THE PUBLIC None	
2016/042P	2 DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS AND TO AGREE THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Colin Cobb (Arrived at 6.10pm) Cath Puddick Nick White DECLARATION OF MEMBERS INTERESTS None MINUTES The minutes of the Planning Advisory Group meetings held on 26 May 2016 were agreed and signed by the Chair.	
2016/043P	3 TO DISCUSS THE REVISED REMIT OF THE PLANNING ADVISORY GROUP TO CONSIDER - WHAT ARE WE TRYING TO ACHIEVE, HOW WILL WE DO IT AND WHAT WILL THE OUTCOME BE – ATTACHED AT APPENDIX 1. The Planning Advisory Group agreed that they will meet every three weeks but have a public meeting every six weeks, this then gives them time to work on planning policies. The third weekly meeting may become public if there is a major application which needs to be discussed. They also agreed that they will trial publishing the table with their consultation responses every three weeks on their website and Facebook page. The public can still have their say regarding planning applications by contacting Jane Llewellyn or their ward town or district councillor.	
2016/044P	4 TO CONSIDER THE PLANNING APPLICATION 2016/1081/FUL - TONG DYNASTY WALLBRIDGE FROME:- RETENTION OF BUILDING WITHOUT CHIMNEY STACKS WHICH WERE REMOVED BECAUSE THEY WERE UNSAFE DURING THE RENOVATION OF THE BUILDING TO ALLOW ITS USE AS A PHYSIOTHERAPY AND PODIATRY CLINIC (AS APPROVED UNDER REFERENCE 2015/1217/FUL) James and Amanda Hatt explained that when they purchased the building they could not inspect the roof as it is three stories high. The roofer informed them that the chimneys were unsafe. They believed they were doing the safest thing by removing them, they didn't realise that they would need planning permission for	



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	<p>this as the building was not listed and was not in a conservation area. They have been quoted to replace the chimneys it will cost them £72,000.00.</p> <p>Jane Llewellyn read out a comment from Peter Wheelhouse, EDRM supporting the application and a letter of objection from Martin Bax and advised the Panel of Mendips Conservation Officers comments.</p> <p>Richard Ackroyd asked James and Amanda Hatt if removing the chimneys had given them extra room. They stated that the chimneys were built into the wall so no extra room was gained from removing them.</p> <p>James and Amanda said that they have spoken with Peter Wheelhouse and are seriously thinking about using the top floor for employment use. They also mentioned that they are local independent business owners who have recently taken on two new employees.</p>	
2016/045P	5 DATE OF NEXT MEETING Thursday 28 July 2016 at 6.00pm The Saxonvale Centre, Garsdale, Frome BA11 1RZ	

The Chair closed the meeting at 7.10pm.

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