

PONTESBURY PARISH COUNCIL



Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting on Monday 7th October 2024

In attendance: Cllr D Fletcher, N Lewis, A Hodges, M Trow, D Jones, A Hodges, A Windows, R Evans, N Hignett

Clerk to the Meeting: Nicola Young

Two members of the public in attendance

PLAN 38.24 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Apologies of absence were received from:
Cllr David Gregory

PLAN 39.24 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CODE OF CONDUCT None received.

PLAN 40.24 MINUTES OF PLANNING COMMITTEE Following a proposal from Cllr Fletcher and seconded by Cllr Trow, it was agreed to approve & sign the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 2nd September 2024.

PLAN 41.24 PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS – (Fifteen minutes will be allowed)
Discussing Planning Application 24/03594/FUL – tractor collector wishes all vehicles to be stored under cover.

PLAN 42.24 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

42.1 Planning Decisions for Pontesbury Parish Council Area- Details of planning decisions made up until 30th September 2024 were received by the Committee. Decisions were noted by Committee members.

42.1.1 PLANNING REFERENCE - 24/03594/FUL

DEVELOPMENT PROPOSED - Erection of classic tractor store/hobby building
LOCATION: - Maple Cottage, Pontesford, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY5 0UA.

APPROVE in principle

We support this application for a large non-residential building, the size being adequately justified by the stated storage needs. There are several large non-residential buildings in the vicinity, the position is sunken and reasonably well-screened by existing trees and therefore its visual impact will be reduced by its careful positioning.

Pontesbury Parish Council recommend:

- To enhance the visual amenity and maintain character of Pontesford we recommend horizontal shiplap boarding to soften the impact of the front of the building.

42.2 APPLICATIONS FOR TREE PRESERVATION ORDERS – No tree preservation order applications were received.

PLAN 43.24 PONTESBURY VILLAGE CHARACTER Neighbourhood Plan has already listed the character of Pontesbury village. Summary of character of Pontesbury Parish was provided by the Chairman as follows:

Revised Local Plan “The Council is especially concerned to ensure that new development maintains and enhances the character, appearance and historic interests of its settlements, street scenes, groups/individual buildings and landscape in order to achieve high quality design and better places to live and work”.

Role of Parish Council to have a clear vision of the character of Pontesbury village against which to measure the quality of planning applications [Neighbourhood Plan is basis for this].

Pontesbury Village Character is largely defined by:

1. **Appearance** – buildings, materials, architectural features, open spaces, greenery, views to hills.
 2. **Functions** – local service centre [mainly everyday needs], low key tourist centre, commuter/retirement, small scale industry.
 3. **History** – medieval strategic/defensive settlement, religious centres, (19 mining and quarrying).
 4. **Site/Location** – wooded, hill backdrops, accessible to larger centres/AONB.
 5. **Atmosphere** – friendly, bustling, not overcrowded, rural feel
- In summary** – accessible, well serviced in pleasant surroundings.

PLAN 44.24 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next Planning Committee is Monday **4th November 2024** at 6.30pm and will be held in the Pavilion, Hall Bank, Pontesbury, SY5 0RF

PLAN 45.25 EXCLUSION OF PRESS & PUBLIC

In accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public are excluded from the meeting for the following business, on the grounds that the information could involve the possible disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1 and 2 of Schedule 12A of that Act. Proposed Cllr Fletcher and seconded by Cllr Hignett, the public and press were excluded from the meeting.

PLAN 46.25 PLANNING ENFORCEMENT

A Planning Enforcement matter, for CONFIDENTIAL information ONLY, was brought to the attention of Planning Committee members.

Meeting ended at 1930

Signed..... Date..... Chairman