

**HEDGE END TOWN COUNCIL - MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE HIGHWAYS & PLANNING  
COMMITTEE HELD 5<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 2014**

**Cllrs. Present:** Cllr. Paul Carnell (until 20.30 hrs.), Cllr. Helen Corben, Cllr. Keith Day, Cllr. Richard Effeny (until 20.05 hrs.) Cllr. Nathan Khan, Cllr. Emma Norman, Cllr. Shankerlal Sthankiya (Vice Chair), Cllr. RayWorley

**H34** The Vice Chair welcomed this evening's guests, Barry Taylor, Project Director, David Lazenby Town Planning Manager representing Sainsbury's Supermarkets Ltd. and invited their presentation with regard to proposals for improvements to Sainsbury's premises in Tollbar Way.

**H35** **Apologies:** Cllr. Cynthia Garton (Chair)  
With effect from the close of business hours today, all communications have been checked for the receipt of apologies.

**H36** **Correspondence:**  
i) Alison Densham, Technician (traffic & Construction), EBC – notification of temporary closure of Upper Northam Road from north of the junction with Turnpike Way to roundabout over M27, effective from 2<sup>nd</sup> February, 2015 for a period of 6 months; notwithstanding this it is expected that the closure will only be in place for a period of 4 weeks during this time. To allow HCC to carry out carriageway reconstruction and embankment repairs, as part of the Operation Resilience Programme. **The clerk is instructed to ascertain whether the closure will be operated with partial lane closure and or night closure only, as members are concerned that this would cause increased traffic congestion upon alternative routes.**  
ii) Notification of an appeal relating to 6, Stirling Crescent proposed development of two storey and first floor side extension and revision of front facing roof lights with first floor and second floor facing windows. Noted.

**H37** **Minutes & Matters Arising**  
**Meetings of 1<sup>st</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> October, 2014**  
H26, H19 re Shafford Meadows, the make-shift bridge through Hogsty Copse created for easy access to Turnpike Way parking, has been reinstated. **The clerk is instructed to advise the developer and arrange for the "bridge" to be removed.**  
H29, Stephen Bradbury, HCC agrees that the Centre 27 roundabout looks a mess and as a result of his enquiries is able to inform the Committee that a design raised by Bradbeers has been approved by HCC, however, the completion of works is the responsibility of Bradbeers. He is given to understand that there is difficulty in providing power to the features that form part of the landscaping and design of the roundabout and works to be undertaken by Bradbeers' contractor and SSE. The design will include a tumbling water feature. Noted.  
H29, Junction 7, M27 Adrian Gray, Head of Highways (Traffic Manager) HCC has made enquiries with the Highways Agency and reports a proposal to look at the scope for operational efficiencies at the junction is being prepared by the Highways Agency's managing agent. If it is accepted i.e. funded, then the review would start next year. This would involve looking at the method of control for the signals rather than any physical measures, but could potentially improve both the peak and off-peak efficiency. Noted.

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H29, re matters concerning the development of Hindmarch Crescent. The Town Clerk passed concerns to the Local Area Co-ordinator, Julia Birt. Julia Birt has been advised by Doug Rogers of Direct Services that the development is still within the 2 year period where landscaping and construction is under the jurisdiction of Contractors on site and as such EBC remain unable to address these issues, but can convey concerns. **The clerk is instructed to make arrangements for Doug Rogers of Direct Services to contact Cllr. Nathan Khan directly to discuss serious concerns with regard to the health and safety of a particular section of the site and measures that can be taken to guarantee the Contractors compliance.**

H29, sight lines at the junction of 69 Freegrounds Road/Linden Gardens is a frequent report to Enforcement, in particular with regard to an overgrown hedge. Noted.

The minutes were approved and signed by the Vice Chair.

**H38 Planning Applications:**

F/14/74093 Amended plans 14 Hobb Lane (this application goes before HEWEB members on 10<sup>th</sup> November, 2014) Erection of 12 flats (4 x 1 bed and 8 x 2 bed) with car parking and new access from Sherborne Way, following demolition of existing buildings. The concerns of three local residents were represented. **Resolved: No objection with a proviso that the Bin/Cycle Store remains in the North/West corner of the site.**

F/14/75184, 69 Yardley Road. Erection of two, 2 bedroom semi-detached dwellings, following demolition of existing dwelling and erection of brick and timber sheds. **Resolved: No objection.**

T/14/75380, 1a, Navigators Way. Fell one Oak. **Resolved: Objection.**

F/14/75279, 116, Wellstead Way. Conversion of garage into habitable accommodation. **Resolved: Objection - the Committee would wish the existing planning condition upheld.**

T/14/75430, Co-op Stores, 2a, Lower Northam Road. Crown lift and reduction of canopy by 30% to one Sycamore to provide 2m clearance from roof of building. **Resolved: The Committee will accept the recommendations of the Borough Tree Officer.**

F/14/75475, 27 Downscroft Gardens. Two storey and first floor side extension. **Resolved: No objection.**

**H39 Highway Matters:**

**The clerk is instructed to action or report the following:**

- **Ascertain the authority responsible for a chain link fence located on the corner of Simmons Close, off Westward Road. Is this area of land and the fencing the responsibility of the Environment Agency or Borough Council?**
- **Also the authority responsible for the maintenance of grass verges in Simmons Close?**

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- To report that recently repaired pot holes in Allan Road have broken up again.
- To report that following recent works to cutting hedges and shrubs abutting Turnpike Way, the grass verges have been damaged by the tractor and are now very muddy.
- To report flooding as a result of poor drainage at the junction of Goodalls Lane and Wildern Lane.
- To report an infestation of mares tails weed to the pathways/ pavements of Saxon Gardens, Oaktree Gardens, Waters Edge, Woodside Way, Reservoir Lane and Hales Drive.

**H40** All members of the public and press are requested to leave the meeting - Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960.

None present.

**H41** Exempt Business

Matters concerning enforcement were discussed.