

Henstridge Parish Council

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Draft minutes of the Planning Meeting held at the Henstridge Village Hall Lounge on Monday 10th October 2011.

Present

Councillors: Jim Fitch (chair), Adam Temperton, Carolyn Nichols, Paul White, Peter Crocker, Mickey Vincent.

Clerk: Zoe Godden.

There were 0 members of the public in attendance for the beginning of the meeting

The meeting began 19:00

1. Apologies and to approve reasons for apology as seen fit.

Simon Cullum, Sue Place, Paul Brighten, Jean Oswick, David Nichols and Geoff Jarvis.

RESOLVED: It was proposed and agreed to accept the reasons given for absence.

2. Declarations of Interest.

Peter Crocker declared a personal interest in item 4a.

3. To approve as a correct record the minutes of the previous meetings held on 08.08.11 and 26.09.11 (Any amendments necessary to be received on the night).

Approval of both sets of minutes was deferred as there was not a quorum of councillors present from the respective meetings.

4. To consider the following planning applications.

a	11/03798/ FUL	Erection of a detached dwelling house.	Land adjoining 1 Victoria Terrace, High Street, Henstridge
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The clerk reported that neighbours at no 2 feel strongly that this development would have a detrimental effect on their privacy. They feel the new dwelling would overlook their garden and are especially unhappy with the balcony and French doors to the first floor, which they feel is an indication of the intention for this balcony to be used as an outdoor seating area. They consider this an unacceptable encroachment on their privacy as they feel that, anyone seated on the balcony would be able to see straight into their garden. They also feel that the new dwelling will block the light coming into their garden. They feel this will prevent them from being able to enjoy the sun in their garden as well as diminishing their ability to grow crops, which is the main use they make of their garden.

The council discussed the above objection. There was some discussion over the amount of sunlight that would be blocked. The general feeling was that sun would only be blocked for a short time. Also, the council felt that the ground level of the new dwelling would minimise the amount of the property that would overlook the neighbouring garden. They also discussed the need for the new dwelling. It is being built so that the current residents of number 1, Victoria Terrace, can relocate there due to illness and mobility issues that make the stairs difficult for one of the residents.

It was noted that there have been various similar, in-fill developments and extensions in that area of Henstridge.

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The council discussed the issue of parking for the new property. They noted that the single garage would not provide adequate parking space for 1, Victoria Terrace and the new dwelling.

RESOLVED: It was proposed and agreed that the council needs to seek guidance from South Somerset District Council in relation to any valid planning reasons for refusal of this application. The clerk is to seek clarification of the provision of car parking for number 1, Victoria Terrace and the new dwelling.

Mickey Vincent arrived at 19:15

5. Area East agenda items.

There are no area east agenda items to report

6. Recent SSDC AE Decisions.

a	11/03241/TPO	Application to fell 1 no poplar tree which is included within the SSDC (Henstridge 1) TPO 1989	Mr Daniel Burnard, Unit 2, Marsh Lane, Henstridge.	Accepted with conditions
b	11/03422/FUL	The carrying out of alterations and erection of an extension	Mrs C Winer & Mrs E Eggett, Orchard House, Marsh Lane, Henstridge. BA8 0TQ	Accepted with conditions

7. Report of appeals received for consideration at future meetings.

There are no appeals to discuss

8. Matters of report from previous applications.

There were no matters of report from previous applications.

The next meeting of Henstridge Parish Council's Planning Committee will be held at the Henstridge Village Hall Lounge on Monday 24th October 2011. All items for inclusion on the agenda must be received by the Clerk by 9.00am on Thursday 13th October 2011.

Meeting ended at 19:20



**Zöe Godden
Parish Clerk**