



Minutes of the meeting of
CONSULTATION AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE
Monday, 15th August 2022, at 7.30pm
At Thanet House, 58 London Road, Stroud

Present

Cllrs Camilla Hale (Chair), Geoffrey Andrews, Tony Davey, Mick Fealty, Adrian Oldman and Stella Parkes.

Absent

Cllr Rachel Smith

In attendance

Steve Lowe, Gloucestershire County Council ULEV (Ultra Low Emissions Vehicle) Programme Manager, Sheral Gardner (Assistant Clerk)

1. Apologies

There were no apologies.

2. Declarations of interest and requests for dispensations

None

3. Questions from members of the public

None

4. Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the council meeting on 11th July 2022 were **approved** by the members present and signed by Cllr Davey.

5. ULEV Chargepoint Project

The Committee received a presentation from Steve Lowe, ULEV Programme Manager regarding the installation of vehicle charging points in Gloucestershire.

It was noted 500 double chargers are to be installed over the next 3 years. Work is currently going on to establish the best sites and feedback from parish and town councils would be welcome. As there is likely to be a short response date on the consultation, Members felt an extra meeting may be required and that representative councillors from each ward should be invited to investigate possible sites in their wards.

Action: Assistant Clerk to circulate the presentation to members.

6. Clerks report

Revised details regarding a temporary road closure and a street trading application for Stroud Theatre Festival were noted.

7. Planning decisions

These were noted.

8. Planning applications

Responses were **agreed** as shown in the attached appendix.

Action: Assistant Clerk to advise SDC.

9. County Council roadworks

This was noted.

10. SDC mandatory CCTV in Taxis consultation

It was **agreed** to respond to Stroud District Council noting that CCTV would protect customers and drivers, but it was felt that if it becomes mandatory SDC should support drivers to cover the cost of equipment and training.

11. Water Resources Management Plan 2024 pre consultation

This was noted.

12. Community Governance Review

This was noted.

13. Community Speedwatch Safety Fund application

The Committee **approved** the Road Safety Working Group recommendation to apply for 400 wheelie bin stickers and additional speed survey.

14. GCC Road Safety Strategy 2022-2032 survey

It was **agreed** to delegate the Town Clerk, in consultation with the Chair and Project Officer, to submit a response in line with the Council’s general approach.

The meeting closed at 9.55pm

Chair

Date

Item 8 APPLICATIONS 15th Aug 2022

Planning Application No.	Location	Details	Comments
S.22/1513/FUL	18 Gloucester Street	Part change of use and from hot food take away (office area) (A5) to create separate ground floor studio flat (C3) and alterations to first floor flat	Comment: As the flats are very small, we hope they are affordable.
S.22/1548/TCA	1 Cheapside	T1 Sycamore - fell	Comment: This is a poor planning application that hasn't included the reason for removal or photos of the tree.
S.22/1472/TCA	17 Chapel Street,	Tree 1 - Whitebeam - Prune clear of adjacent property to give 2-2.5m clearance in a vertical line. Tree 2 - Silver Birch -Fell to near ground level. Tree 3 - Silver Birch - Fell to near ground level.	No observations
S.22/1658/LBC	2 Bisley Old Road	To replace glass in existing stone mullion and casements with ultra-thin double glazed units	Support: Good research into energy efficiency.
S.22/1661/LBC	Stone Manor , Bisley Road	Replacement window units to hardwood frames with slimline double glazing	Support: Good research into energy efficiency.
S.22/1670/HHOLD	1 Upper Leazes	Removal of existing Juliet Balcony and replacement with a full balcony with frameless clear glass balustrades	No observations
S.22/1680/FUL	Communication Station (Hutchinson GL0114), The Cross, Nelson Street	Removal of 1no. existing wall mounted tri-sector 2 port antenna and support pole, 1 existing equipment cabinet and other ancillary apparatus and the installation of 1 replacement tri-sector 6 port antenna on proposed alpha wall mounted structure, 3no. mhas, 2no. equipment cabinets and 1no. gps node with all other ancillary apparatus	No observations
S.22/1679/HHOLD	18 Marling Crescent, Paganhill	Erection of double storey side extension plus loft conversion and porch	No observations
S.22/1698/ADV	Unit 1 , Five Valleys Shopping Centre	1 No roundel. 1 No Starbucks wordmark	Object: The Town Council objects to this application in line with the adopted (2016) Stroud Neighbourhood Development Plan policy ZP1a Shop Fronts; Development proposals within the core zone shall be guided by the principles set out in the Shop Fronts in the Town Centre Design Guide, or any subsequent approved revisions thereto. Within the Shop Fronts in the Town Centre Design Guide the following items are set out;

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			<p>- "Choose painted fascias with traditional style sign writing. Individual three dimensional letters are acceptable". The proposed fascia is not painted.</p> <p>- "National companies will be expected to be aware of the sensitive area of the town and not impose wholesale corporate identities".</p> <p>- "Internally illuminated fascias are discouraged. It is possible to light fascias by spot or floodlights" – we object to the proposed internally illuminated lighting.</p> <p>In addition to the above, the Shop Fronts in the Town Centre Design Guide also stipulates the following regarding buildings;</p> <p>- "New shop fronts should reflect the original construction materials - do not introduce too many new materials". The proposed fascia panel is acrylic which does not reflect original construction materials.</p> <p>– "Be built using timber from a sustainable source". The proposed fascia panel is made from acrylic</p> <p>- "Avoid plastic, glazed tiles or plywood. MDF or aluminium frames are inappropriate". - We object to the material of fascia sign.</p> <p>This application is also contrary to SDC Supplementary Planning Guidance - Shop Fronts (Dec 2011), which states:</p> <p>- "9.3 Internally illuminated plastic signs can be seriously detrimental to the character of buildings".</p> <p>- "14.6 Materials should always be selected to compliment the materials of the parent building".</p> <p>- In addition, this application is contrary to the adopted Stroud District Local Plan Policies ES10, ES12 and CP14.</p> <p>The proposal fails to enhance the building and thereby, the prevailing character and appearance of the Conservation Area, thereby causing it harm.</p>
S.22/1697/FUL	Unit 1 , Five Valleys Shopping Centre	2 No new umbrellas to be installed. New planters to be fixed to the floor. New signage	Comment: What contribution is the applicant making to the carbon footprint when using patio heaters?
S.22/1740/FUL	Land At The Cedars, Frome Hall Lane	Erection of dwelling (Resubmission of S.21/2446/FUL)	No observations

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S.22/1399/VAR	29 Lansdown	Variation of condition 2 (plans) from the application S.20/0624/FUL - Remove first floor element of rear extension & replace it with a larger roof terrace. Reduce footprint of ground floor of rear extension. Amend front door to window on front elevation.	<p>Object: We reiterate our previous comments -</p> <p><i>There is a need for larger dwellings in Stroud town so we object to the reduction from the previously approved application for 2 bedrooms to the current 1 bedroom proposal.</i></p> <p><i>We object also to the inclusion of a large balcony which is likely to have a detrimental effect on neighbours by substantial overlooking of their properties. This is contrary to SDC Local Plan policies CP14, ES3.</i></p> <p><i>We would like to bring to the planning officer's attention the clear difference on the proposed front south elevation to that previously approved. There is no indication of these changes in this variation of condition application.</i></p>
S.22/1515/FUL	4 The Birches, Birches Drive	PVC window to be replaced by metal frame to harmonise with existing windows	No observations
S.22/1516/LBC	4 The Birches, Birches Drive	PVC window to be replaced by metal frame to harmonise with existing windows	No observations
S.22/1636/HHOLD	Crofty, Cowle Road	Erection of small outbuilding to provide an office/ studio/ annexe	No observations
S.22/1760/FUL	Marling School , Cainscross Road	Installation of a single storey Portakabin building to be used as a single classroom for a temporary period of 156 weeks	No observations