



# Skipton Town Council

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Environment & Planning Committee  
Thursday 23 November 2017 6.30 pm

Present: Councillors Whitaker (Chairman), Bell, Clark, Hickman and Kerr.

Officers: Wendy Allsopp (Committee Services Officer).

1. To accept representations from the Public between 6.30 pm and 6.45 pm.

None

2. To accept apologies for absence.

Apologies were accepted from Councillor Rankine.

Absent – Cllr Dow and Cllr C Harbron.

3. To record declarations of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests of items on the Agenda.

None

4. To consider the recommendations of the Chief Officer relating to requests for dispensations to Members on items requiring a declaration of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests.

None

5. To accept the minutes from the previous meeting held on 21 September 2017.

It was **RESOLVED** to accept the minutes from the Environment and Planning Committee meeting held on 21 September 2017 as a true and accurate record of what transpired at that meeting.

The importance of residents and the planning authority being made aware of Skipton Town Council's views was **NOTED**.

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6. To report and receive information arising from the minutes of items not on the agenda from members and the Chief Officer.

It was **NOTED** that two Planning Application appeals had been received - Application number 2017/18307/HH, 13 East Neville Street and 63/2017/17818, Skipton Girls' High School, Gargrave Road.

With regard the former application, the Planning Committee agreed to further reiterate previous comments agreeing with the planning authority decision to decline this application. However, as the Planning Inspectorate does not appear to allow any further comments Members agreed that the Committee should write to the neighbouring resident, who made representation at an earlier meeting, to make her aware that the Planning Committee agree with the planning authority decision.

With regard to the latter application, the Environment and Planning Committee reiterated previous comments strongly believing that this land would be far better used as a classroom or valuable amenity space.

7. To discuss any planning breaches identified within the town and consider reporting them to the planning authority.

It was **NOTED** that the planning authority had received a retrospective application for the masonry cleaning, restoration and repointing of the roof at 4-6 High Street.

Members suggest that a planning application decision list was required on a frequent basis.

8. To receive notification of matters that members would like on a future agenda.

Representatives from NYCC Highways and Ward Councillors to attend a future meeting.

Representatives from CDC Planning team and Spatial Planning Committee to attend a further meeting.

Time restricted parking outside the Post Office on Sackville Street.

**Meeting Closed at 7.40 pm**

Signed by Chairman .....