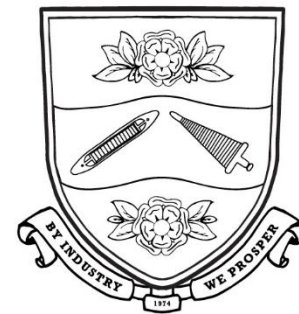


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MINUTES OF THE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING Held in the Cockcroft Room, Todmorden Town Hall, Bridge Street, Todmorden, on Wednesday 7th August 2024 at 7.30 pm

Councillors Present: Cllrs S Martin (Chair), T Hanley (Vice Chair), M Carrigan, G Kent, S Press, P Ripley, K White and J Williams

Officers: Mrs S Miles (Assistant Town Clerk) and Mr C Hill (Project Officer)

Members of the Public: Ms E MacKenzie, Ms A Henderson + 2

2024(DC)032	<p><u>Item 1 Apologies for Absence – For Decision</u></p> <p>To receive and approve apologies for absence and reasons given to the Clerk prior to the meeting.</p> <p><i>Apologies received from Cllrs B Janovich, A Hollis, P Taylor and M Molteno</i></p> <p>Proposed by Cllr T Hanley Seconded by Cllr J Williams <i>Unanimously Approved</i></p> <p>RESOLVED: <i>That the apologies of Cllrs B Jancovich, A Hollis, P Taylor, (prior commitments) and M Molteno (work commitments) be received and that their reasons for absence are accepted.</i></p>
2024(DC)033	<p><u>Item 2 Declarations of Interest – For Decision</u></p> <p>To receive disclosures of personal and prejudicial interests from members on matters to be considered at the meeting. Officers are required to make a formal declaration about council contracts where the employee has a financial interest.</p> <p>Note: Members must generally declare a disclosable pecuniary interest which he or she has in any item on the agenda. A Member with a disclosable pecuniary interest may not participate in any discussion of the matter at the meeting and must not participate in any vote taken on the matter at the meeting. In addition, the Council’s Standing Orders require a Member with a disclosable pecuniary interest to leave the room where the meeting is held while any discussion or voting takes place.</p> <p>None received</p>
2024(DC)034	<p><u>Item 3 Public Participation – For Decision</u></p> <p>To adjourn the meeting to allow members of the public to make representation on the business of the agenda for the meeting.</p> <p>Note: No resolutions can be under public participation.</p>

	<p>Proposed by Cllr S Martin Seconded by Cllr the Rev G Kent <i>Unanimously Approved</i></p> <p>RESOLVED: - <i>To adjourn the meeting to allow members of the public to make representation on the business of the agenda of the meeting.</i></p> <p>Ms Henderson, chair of Upper Stoodley Residents Association expressed concern about item 14 (Shaw Wood Bridge). Its condition has deteriorated over at least the last ten years and there are fears that it will be closed and the only route in and out of Stoodley would be Ramsden Wood Rd. She reported that the bridge being struck by vehicles is a weekly occurrence and that signage explaining the width restrictions should be before drivers enter the bridge and not afterwards.</p> <p>Ms E. MacKenzie reported that scaffolding had been present on the bridge for the last eleven years and that there was evidence on the bridge of several attempts at minor repair over the years which were inconsistent with its status as a grade 2 listed building. She wondered if Calderdale Council had applied for planning permission to do the work in the past as there seemed to be no evidence of this. Also, whether the work that is scheduled this year will be approved for planning permission. She expressed concern that anecdotally stones had been removed in the past and taken to Liverpool. She also wondered if some of the missing stones may be in the canal.</p>
2024(DC)035	<p>Item 4 Exclusion of Press and Public – Public Bodies (Admission to meetings Act 1960) – For Decision</p> <p>To consider and confirm any agenda items that require the exclusion of the Press and Public in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 for matters appertaining to confidential or exempt information.</p> <p>Proposed by Cllr S Martin Seconded by Cllr the Rev G Kent <i>Unanimously Approved</i></p> <p>RESOLVED: - <i>That any public or press who may attend be allowed to stay for the whole of the meeting.</i></p>
2024(DC)036	<p>Item 5 Minutes – For Decision</p> <p>To approve the draft minutes of the Development Committee meeting held 3 July 2024.</p> <p>Proposed by Cllr J Williams Seconded by Cllr T Hanley <i>Unanimously Approved</i></p> <p>RESOLVED:- <i>That the draft minutes of the Development Committee meeting held on 3 July 2024 be approved as a true record of proceedings.</i></p>
2024(DC)037	<p>Item 6 To Submit Comments on the Planning Applications Received from Calderdale Council.</p> <p>Comments as detailed below were agreed by Members en bloc.</p> <p>Proposed by Cllr J Williams Seconded by Cllr M Carrigan <i>Unanimously Approved</i></p>

RESOLVED: - That the consultees responses as detailed below be submitted to Calderdale Council.

Item no	Application Number	Address	Purpose	TTC Feedback
6a	24/00595/HSE	Blue Bell Farm Blue Bell Lane Todmorden Calderdale OL14 8SE	2 storey extension of utility room, sun room and shower area at ground floor and bedroom with ensuite shower room and office at first floor level	Supported
6b	24/00657/LBC	Whiteley Royd Farm Eastwood Lane Todmorden Calderdale OL14 8RS	Demolition and reconstruction of porch, attic conversion.	Supported subject to the views of the Conservation Officer
6c	24/00656/HSE	Whiteley Royd Farm Eastwood Lane Todmorden Calderdale OL14 8RS	Demolition and reconstruction of porch, attic conversion.	Supported subject to the views of the Conservation Officer
6d	24/00306/FUL	Garage 8 Pear Place Todmorden Calderdale	Change of use of land to create garden area for 785 Burnley Road	Supported
6e	24/00600/FUL	Walsden Cricket And Bowling Club Rochdale Road Todmorden Calderdale OL14 7SX	Renewal of permission for the caravan to the side of the cricket field as originally approved.	Supported
6f	24/00497/HSE	7 Lower Laith Avenue Todmorden Calderdale OL14 5RU	Single storey side extension to provide wet room with disabled access	Supported
6g	24/00693/FUL	Land South of Roebuck Inn	Creation of new vehicular access	Supported

			Burnley Rd Todmorden Calderdale	point for occasional use by forestry traffic	
6h	24/00631/FUL		Land south of Bryn Syriol West View The Hollins Todmorden Calderdale	Detached house (Revised details pursuant to 19/00455)	Supported
6i	24/00589/LAA		Centre Vale Park Burnley Road Todmorden Calderdale	Demolish conservatory	The principle of demolition is supported however it is recommend ed that a sympathetic replacement scheme is developed in cooperation with local individual community groups to create community ownership

Item 7 Correspondence Concerning Previous Planning Applications - For Information
 To receive a verbal update
 2024(DC)038
 None received

Item 8 CMBC Decisions for Planning Applications Where Todmorden Town Council has been Consulted
 To receive written update
 2024(DC)039
Proposed by Cllr S Martin **Seconded** by Cllr M Carrigan
Unanimously Approved
RESOLVED: - To receive the report.

Item 9 Outstanding Issues Register, Including Paths and Obstructions – For Information
 To receive written updates about blocked paths and obstructions as well as the Outstanding Issues Register
 2024(DC)040

	<p>a. Blocked paths and obstructions b. Outstanding Issues Register</p> <p>Proposed by Cllr S Martin Seconded by Cllr M Carrigan <i>Unanimously Approved</i></p> <p>RESOLVED: - <i>To receive the report.</i></p> <p>RESOLVED:- <i>That the Assistant Town Clerk investigate when the approved demolition of Walsden Library will take place.</i></p>
2024(DC)041	<p><u>Item 10 Neighbourhood Plan – Examiner’s Request for Clarification – For Decision</u></p> <p>To receive a written report detailing the Examiner’s request for clarification and proposed response for approval.</p> <p>Proposed by Cllr J Williams Seconded by Cllr P Ripley <i>Unanimously Approved</i></p> <p>RESOLVED: - <i>That Members receive the Examiners Clarifications Letter.</i></p> <p>RESOLVED: <i>That Members authorise the response at Appendix 2 to be sent by the Town Clerk.</i></p>
2024(DC)042	<p><u>Item 11. Together Housing Waiting List Policy – For Decision</u></p> <p>To receive a verbal update about how the policy differs between Todmorden and other Towns in Calderdale such as Hebden Bridge and Mytholmroyd. To decide on action to address this.</p> <p>Cllr K White explained that the potential number of properties available in Calderdale is significantly less than the number of people on the waiting list. Also, he reported that unlike Hebden Bridge, Mytholmroyd, Ovenden and parts of Halifax, people connected with Todmorden are not being given priority for social housing in the town. This results in people from elsewhere being allocated housing in Todmorden, especially (Cornholme/Portsmouth) and they have no link to the area or social support. Also, people in Todmorden are allocated housing out of the area, for example in Halifax, away from their families and friends and other social support such as the Todmorden Job Centre and Health Centre.</p> <p>Cllr K White explained that the housing allocation process is not transparent.</p> <p>Proposed by Cllr J Williams Seconded by Cllr the Revd G Kent <i>Unanimously Approved</i></p> <p>RESOLVED: - <i>That the Assistant Town Clerk write to the Todmorden Ward Councillors requesting that they work with Together Housing and Calderdale Council so that has the same allocation process as for Hebden Bridge and other areas is applied, so that people with connections to Todmorden are provided with social housing properties in Todmorden.</i></p>

<p>2024(DC)043</p>	<p><u>Item 12. Consultation About Changes to Bus Service – For Decision</u></p> <p>To receive a verbal update on the improved timetable for the Burnley Valley (591/592) because of the recent First Bus consultation and to decide the action required to address the need for a through service from Rochdale to Halifax (590).</p> <p>Cllr K White reported that the issue with the Burnley service (591/592) had been resolved for the time being with First Bus but not that for the Rochdale bus (590) which means that people travelling from Walsden to Halifax will need to change bus at Todmorden station and purchase two tickets for their journey instead of one.</p> <p>Cllr K White recommended that efforts to build the resilience for the Burnley service and work towards a through service for Walsden to Halifax should be done by working strategically with the Calderdale Councillor responsible for transport – Cllr Sarah Courtney.</p> <p>Cllr S Press referred to the paper she has produced about the issues for people travelling from Walsden/Shade beyond Todmorden.</p> <p>Proposed by Cllr M Carrigan Seconded by Cllr J Williams <i>Unanimously Approved</i></p> <p>RESOLVED: - <i>That Cllr K White represent the Development Committee to work with Cllr S Courtney to aim to resolve issues with the bus service and to make it more resilient.</i></p> <p>RESOLVED: -<i>That the paper produced by Cllr S Press be forwarded to Cllr S Courtney.</i></p>
<p>2024(DC)044</p>	<p><u>Item 13. Parking on Winterbutlee Rd, Walsden – For Decision</u></p> <p>To receive a verbal report about issues with increased parking on Winterbutlee Rd</p> <p>The Assistant Town Clerk reported that the introduction of controlled parking in the Hollins Mill car park had resulted in drivers parking on Winterbutlee Rd. Parking had been on residents drives, across their drives blocking them in and on the path/road forcing the elderly/ people with disability and those with prams to walk in the road which is steep and winding.</p> <p>The Assistant Town Clerk explained that she had completed an online application form for the road to be considered for double yellow lines or another mechanism to stop drivers parking on the road/blocking drives. She explained that the response to the online application was that the request would be considered but that resources had to be prioritised mainly to areas where accidents had taken place.</p> <p>Proposed by Cllr S Martin Seconded by Cllr the Rev G Kent <i>Unanimously Approved</i></p> <p>RESOLVED: - <i>To liaise with Calderdale Council to press for a satisfactory outcome for this issue.</i></p>

2024(DC)045	<p><u>Item 14. Ongoing Poor State of Shaw Wood Bridge – For Decision</u> To receive a verbal report about recent and ongoing damage to the bridge</p> <p><i>Proposed by Cllr S Martin Seconded by Cllr T Hanley</i> <i>Unanimously Approved</i></p> <p><i>RESOLVED:</i> - <i>That the Assistant Town Clerk contact the Highways Department, the Planning Department and the Conservation Officer of Calderdale Council and the Heritage Officer of the Canal and River Trust to establish exactly what work is planned and when it will be done.</i></p>
2024(DC)046	<p><u>Item 15. Items for a Future Agenda – For Information</u> To notify the Clerk of any matters for inclusion on the agenda of a future meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consideration of a TTC Tourism Policy • Biodiversity Net Gain • Invite a represent a member of the Community Safety Partnership Team and a PCSO to a meeting to talk about community cohesion
2024(DC)047	<p><u>Item 16. Date of the Next Committee Meeting – For Information</u> To note the date of the next committee meeting scheduled for 4 September 2024 at pm.</p>
<p>The meeting ended at 8.50pm.</p>	