

MOLD TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Mold Town Council Planning Committee held at the Town Hall on Wednesday 2nd June 2010.

PRESENT: Councillors: Chris Bithell, Ray Dodd, Bryan Grew, Andrea Mearns and Ken Williams with the Clerk and Finance Officer.

1. MINUTES

Resolved: It was resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 5th May 2010 be approved as a correct record.

2. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Committee considered the following applications, including three new applications:

2.1 JZF/047427 – Erection of a first floor extension at side of dwelling and extension to existing garage and utility at ground floor, 10 Swn y Nant, Upper Bryn Coch – no objections.

2.2 BMK/047380 – Siting of storage container (retrospective), Leadmills Playing Fields – no objections to the granting of temporary planning permission. However, if the application is for permanent siting, it is considered that the unit should be painted and the area around the container landscaped to provide a screen.

2.3 CZR/047478 – Erection of 1no. gable sign 1.45m x 1.45m and 1 no. flagpole 7m x 2.5m x 2.5m, land at Denbigh Road and Milford Street (Lidl UK GmbH) – no objections to the provision of the flagpole subject to its height being the same as other signs in the area (for example, those at Costcutter and McDonald's). With regard to the gable sign, the Council noted that the well established trees on the adjoining pathway (the 'Bovril Footpath') would be likely to mask the sign and if not the sign could be detrimental to the aesthetics of the area and footpath. As such the need for further signage was questioned. It was also considered that the illumination of the signs should be turned off as the store closes.

2.4 JZB/047429 – Retention of dry storage area, P&A Fencing & Sheds Ltd, Wrexham Road – no objections.

2.5 RMH/047494 – Construction of a 34m x 20m tarmacadam skate boarding area, works to include realigning of existing 1.2m high wooden fence to children's play area and erection of 4 no. 10m high street lighting columns, land at Maes Bodlonfa – it was noted that the application was made by the Town Council and that no observations were needed.

2.6 LEJ/047506 – Extension to lounge, Llifor, Ruthin Road – no objections.

2.7 KYT/047496 – Erection of single storey extension, 29 Llys Nercwys – no objections.

2.8 KYT/047519 – Erection of a single storey side extension, Briarfield, Wrexham Road – no objections.

Resolved: It was resolved that the above comments be forwarded to Flintshire County Council.

3. CONSIDERATION OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Committee noted that the Town Council would be asked to review the way it deals with planning applications at its meeting in June 2010.

The Committee felt that the arrangements, in operation since December 2009, whereby responses to planning applications are determined by this Committee had worked well. The Committee was of the view that the arrangement allowed for the detailed and efficient consideration of applications and that it would be appropriate to recommend its continuation subject to:

- a) All Members of the Council having a copy of the agenda so that they are aware of planning applications being considered;
- b) Councillors who are not members of the Committee being advised if they wish to make comments on any application, that they can either attend the meeting and express those views directly or pass them onto the Clerk who will ensure that they are raised at the meeting; and
- c) The Committee referring any major applications to the Council for consideration.

Resolved: It was resolved to recommend that the Council continues with the current arrangements for the consideration of responses to planning applications subject to the conditions outlined above.