

## Didcot Town Council

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### Notice of a meeting of the

**Planning and Development Committee**  
Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2020 at 7:30pm  
Online at Zoom.us (or via your device app).



**All members of the Planning and Development Committee are summoned to attend this meeting for the transaction of the business on the agenda.**

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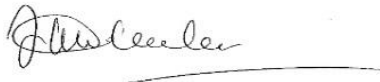
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## AGENDA

1. To receive apologies.
2. To receive declarations of interest  
Members should declare any interests they may have on any item on this agenda in accordance with Didcot Town Council's Code of Conduct.
3. To approve the draft minutes of the meeting held via Zoom on 18<sup>th</sup> November 2020.
4. Questions on the minutes as to the progress of any item (progress report).
5. To receive an update on the progress of P20/S1824/HH.
6. To consider the response to the District's approval of the planned removal of two oak trees at Shinmoor Close and related petition and residents' campaigns. (attached)
7. To note the erection of 2 new flats to be numbered: 34A and 34B Abbott Road, DIDCOT. OX11 8HU.
8. To consider as listed: Planning Applications.
9. To note as listed: Applications for certificates of lawful development and information only.
10. To consider as listed: Planning Appeals.
11. To note as listed: planning applications approved.
12. To note as listed: planning applications refused.
13. To note as listed: planning applications withdrawn.
14. To note as listed: planning applications referred.

Janet Wheeler, **Town Clerk**  
3<sup>rd</sup> December 2020



### Voting committee members

Cllr Anthony Dearlove (Chair)  
Cllr Denise Macdonald (Vice-Chair)  
Cllr Paul Giesberg  
Cllr Melissa Mallows  
Cllr Pam Siggers  
Cllr Marie Walsh  
Cllr James Durman

### Substitute committee members

Cllr Axel Macdonald  
Cllr John Moody  
Cllr Amanda Sandiford  
Cllr D Rouane

## Didcot Town Council

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### Minutes of the

### Planning and Development Committee Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2020 at 7:30pm Online at Zoom.us.



#### **PRESENT:**

Councillors: A Dearlove (Chair)  
D Macdonald  
P Siggers  
M Walsh  
D Rouane (substituting for Cllr P Giesberg)

Officers: G Langton (Planning & Environment Officer)

#### **1. To receive apologies.**

Cllr P Giesberg had submitted his apologies, Cllr D Rouane was substituting. Cllr J Durman was absent.

#### **2. To receive declarations of interest.**

Cllr M Mallows declared an interest in item 142(a), she knew the applicant, and would not take part in the consideration of the proposal.

#### **3. To approve the draft minutes of the meeting held via Zoom on 28<sup>th</sup> October 20.**

Cllr Dearlove proposed, Cllr Macdonald seconded, and it was **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting. Four members agreed, one member abstained.

#### **4. Questions on the minutes as to the progress of any item (progress report).**

The Committee noted the progress report. Cllr Walsh sought clarity as to the meaning of 'areas' of Didcot being covered by Civil Parking Enforcement. The Officer confirmed that the whole town would be covered but that some areas were not currently subject to parking restrictions, hence the use of the word.

The Committee requested that they hear an update following the next meeting of the Traffic Advisory Group.

**5. To receive an update on the progress of P20/S2959/FUL.**

The Committee noted the update (copied below). Cllr Rouane confirmed that as the SODC Ward Councillor for the area, he had called the proposal in to the SODC Planning Committee.

An amendment has been submitted for the proposed apartment building on Abingdon Road. The amendment was minor ([link](#)) with a re-consultation window until the 10<sup>th</sup> November 2020 only. The Officer has contacted the Planning Officer and he was unable to grant an extension past the determination date of the 18<sup>th</sup> November 2020. The Planning Officer has informed the Officer that the application had been called in to SODC's Planning Committee (if Planning Officers were minded to recommend approval). If the proposal is considered at SODC's Planning Committee, the Town Council would have an opportunity to provide comments to the meeting.

**6. To receive an update on the progress of the proposed 20mph speed limits at and around Brasenose Road & Slade Road, and Larch Drive and adjacent roads.**

The Committee noted that the proposals would be presented to The Cabinet Member for Environment (including Transport) decisions meeting on **Thursday 19th November 2020**.

**7. To note the erection of 1 new residential dwelling at Sinodun Road.**

The Committee noted the new dwelling, which would be known as 25A Sinodun Road, Didcot, OX11 8HP.

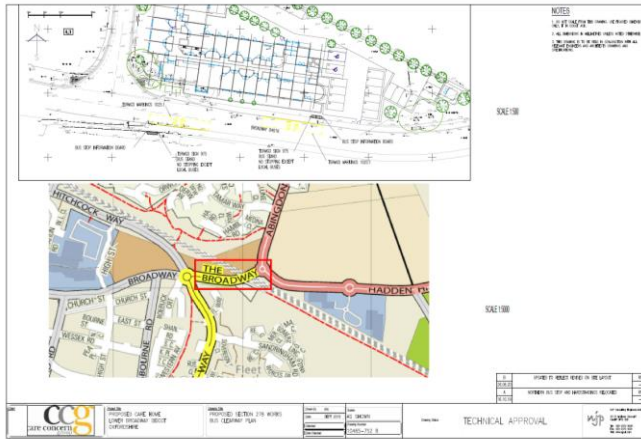
**8. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

**Proposals for Comment**

a)	Application	<a href="#">LAPREM/12787/20</a>	62 Queensway, Didcot
	Proposal	NEW PREMISES LICENCE APPLICATION – Off sales only. Part of one room will be used to store and package up the alcohol ready for shipping.	
	Response date	26 <sup>th</sup> November 2020	
	Agreed response	Cllr Mallows did not take part in the discussion of this item, having declared an interest.  Cllr Dearlove proposed, Cllr Macdonald seconded, and it was <b>RESOLVED</b> to submit <b>no objections</b> . Four members agreed, Cllr Mallows abstained.	
b)	Application	<a href="#">P20/S3847/HH</a>	13 Loddon Drive Didcot OX11 7QA
	Proposal	Single storey rear and first floor side extensions	
	Response date	20 <sup>th</sup> November 2020 (extended from 13 <sup>th</sup> November 2020)	

	Agreed response	Cllr Dearlove proposed, Cllr Siggers seconded, and it was <b>RESOLVED</b> to submit <b>no objections</b> . All members agreed.	
c)	Application	<a href="#">P20/S3862/HH</a>	18 Burdock Spur Didcot OX11 6GU
	Proposal	Single storey Orangery with flat roof and Upvc double glazed lantern.	
	Response date	20 <sup>th</sup> November 2020 (extended from 13 <sup>th</sup> November 2020)	
	Agreed response	Cllr Macdonald proposed, Cllr Walsh seconded, and it was <b>RESOLVED</b> to submit <b>no objections</b> .	
d)	Application	<a href="#">P20/S3926/D</a>	Former Didcot Labour Club 89 Station Road
	Proposal	Demolition of: The former Didcot Labour Club is a 2-storey building of brick construction with a tiled roof. The residential dwellings at: 91 and 93 are 2 storey buildings of brick construction with tiled roofs. The residential dwellings at 3a and 3b Lydalls Road along with the commercial unit at 5 Lydalls Road are 2 storey and are of brick construction with tiled roofs.	
	Response date	20 <sup>th</sup> November 2020	
	Agreed response	Cllr Macdonald seconded, Cllr Siggers seconded, and it was <b>RESOLVED</b> to <b>support</b> the proposal, making the below comments.  Comment: Didcot Town Council supports the proposal to demolish the identified buildings on Station Road and surrounding areas. The Council is concerned though that the site does not remain an eyesore even after demolition and that a suitable 'meanwhile' use can be found for the area before development occurs. The Council is of the opinion that, should the recommendation of the Tree Officer be followed, and all the trees maintained a suitable use would be as a park, with benches and planters installed.	
e)	Application	<a href="#">JaC/12.6.189</a>	B4016 Broadway, Didcot
	Proposal	Bus Stop Clearways (with a 'No Stopping except local buses' restriction):  • North side - 115 metres* east of its roundabout junction with Jubilee Way, and  • South side - 75 metres* east of its roundabout junction with Jubilee Way.	

\* All dimensions are approximate, taken from the centre of the junction to the centre of the feature.  
 (click picture or [here](#) for weblink).



	<b>Response date</b>	27 <sup>th</sup> November 2020	
	<b>Agreed response</b>	Cllr Walsh proposed, Cllr Siggers seconded, and it was <b>RESOLVED</b> to <b>support</b> the proposal. All members agreed.	
f)	<b>Application</b>	<a href="#">P20/S4039/O</a>	Land at Down Farm South west of Aster Close Didcot OX11 6FR
	<b>Proposal</b>	Demolition of existing buildings and the erection of 9 dwellings with associated access.	
	<b>Response date</b>	27 <sup>th</sup> November 2020	
	<b>Agreed response</b>	Cllr Walsh proposed, Cllr Macdonald seconded, and it was <b>RESOLVED</b> to submit <b>no objections</b> , along with the comments below.  Comment:  Didcot Town Council welcomes the statements made by the developer with regard to Sustainability, Flood Risk and Drainage (para 3.7 of the Design and Access statement), where it is stated that " <i>Consideration will also be given to the use of renewable energy source such as air-source heating, solar / photovoltaic panels, and all dwellings will be designed to exceed current energy-performance criteria &amp; standards. Building fabric will be designed to ensure high thermal efficiency of the buildings and where possible materials will be selected for their sustainable &amp; environmental credentials.</i> " The Council fully expects the developer to not retreat from these	

		commitments. The Council also welcomes the inclusion of 21 parking spaces, which it considers sufficient, unlike at many other proposals it has seen.	
g)	Application	<a href="#">P20/S2724/FUL</a>	2 Sinodun Road DIDCOT Oxon OX11 8HN
	Amended Proposal	Proposal: Construction of new one-bedroom house.	
	Response date	27 <sup>th</sup> November 2020	
	Agreed response	<p>Cllr Dearlove proposed, Cllr Mallows seconded, and it was <b>RESOLVED to object</b>, supported by the comments below.</p> <p>Comment:</p> <p>Didcot Town Council notes its concern that the proposal, whilst for a 1-bed property, could easily result in the equivalent of two-bed occupancy, there being a room described as an office on the first floor. That being the case, the proposal falls short of the required 50square metres of amenity space.</p> <p>The Council is concerned about the proposed dwelling's proximity to the existing house, overshadowing the existing property.</p> <p>Finally, the Council notes that there is no assessment of parking space availability or access/visibility splays contained within the papers.</p>	
h)	Application	<a href="#">P20/S3983/HH</a>	37 Saxons Way Didcot OX11 9RA
	Proposal	Remove existing conservatory; erection single storey rear extension.	
	Response date	27 <sup>th</sup> November 2020	
	Agreed response	Cllr Walsh proposed, Cllr Siggers seconded, and it was <b>RESOLVED to submit no objections</b> .	
i)	Application	<a href="#">P20/S3996/HH</a>	14 Mowbray Road DIDCOT Oxon OX11 8SS
	Proposal	Proposed single storey rear extension to create new family area, remodelling of internal layout.	
	Response date	27 <sup>th</sup> November 2020	
	Agreed response	Cllr Macdonald proposed, Cllr Siggers seconded, and it was <b>RESOLVED to submit no objections</b> .	

## 9. APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFICATES OF LAWFUL DEVELOPMENT AND INFORMATION ONLY.

The Committee noted there had been no applications for lawful development submitted.

A)	Application	None.	
	Proposal		

## 10. PLANNING APPEALS

The Committee noted there had been no planning appeals lodged.

A)	Application	None.	
	Proposal		
	Planning Outcome		
	Representations by		

## 11. APPLICATIONS APPROVED

The Committee noted the below listed proposals that had been granted permission.

The Committee noted that two proposals to which it had submitted objects had been granted permission on delegated authority, without the District Council referring the matter to its Planning Committee for consideration. This Committee was concerned that its views were being dismissed more lightly than they should be and that contentious proposals were being decided without being considered by elected members in public forum.

Didcot Town Council's recommendation	Planning Application Number	Proposal and Address
09.01.2020: No objections. 24.04.2020: Object. 02.07.2020: Object. 26.08.2020 No Objections, with comment.	P19/S4426/RM	Reserved Matters application following Outline approval P19/S1967/FUL for the proposed realignment of below ground unnamed ordinary watercourse (a tributary of the Moor Ditch) and revised connection to the Moor Ditch (as amended by plans and information received 23rd March 2020, 15th June 2020, 3rd August 2020 and 24 September 2020).  (Mixed use redevelopment comprising up to 400 dwellings (C3), 110,000ms of Class B2/B8 units, 25,000m2 of Class B1



		<p>units, 13,000m<sup>2</sup> Class A1 units (includes 1,500m<sup>2</sup> convenience food store), 150 bed Class C1 hotel and 500m<sup>2</sup> of Class A3/A4 pub/restaurant, including link road, related open space, landscaping and drainage infrastructure, together with reservation of land for link road and Science Bridge. Cross boundary application Vale of White Horse and South Oxfordshire. As amended by Updated EA and Master plan213042- PL-03 Rev G.)</p> <p><b>Land at former Didcot A Power Station Purchas Road Didcot</b></p>
Object.	P20/S3014/FUL	<p>Change of use from a 6-bed HMO (use-class C4) to a 9-bed Sui Generis HMO. Fenestration alterations.</p> <p><b>16 Barnes Road Didcot OX11 8JL</b></p>
No Objections.		<p>Demolition of existing conservatory, construction of new single storey rear extension with associated internal alterations. Alterations to existing outbuilding. Revision to approval P19/S3267/HH due to location of a Lateral Drain.</p> <p><b>4 Mowbray Road Didcot OX11 8SS</b></p>
Object.	P20/S2850/HH	<p>Demolish existing conservatory and rear extension. Erection of two, two storey extensions (as amended by plans received 30 September 2020).</p> <p><b>95 Park Road Didcot OX11 8QT</b></p>
<p>18.09.2020: Object.</p> <p>12.10.2020: Object.</p>	P20/S2763/FUL	<p>Erection of a part single part two-storey roof infill extension with rear roof dormer to create additional residential accommodation.(as amplified by email from agent dated 24 September 2020 in relation to Town Council's objections and drawing no. 1039 06 which shows the storage and collection point for bins received on 30 September 2020 and amended by plan ref 1039 04 B which shows 4 cycle parking spaces received 15 October 2020).</p>

		<b>Former Natwest Bank 124 Broadway Didcot OX11 8AD</b>
No objections.	P20/S3104/HH	Demolition of existing extension: erection of a single storey rear extension.  <b>5 Haydon Road Didcot Oxon OX11 7JB</b>
No objections.	P20/S3336/HH	Part single/two storey rear extension  <b>52 Ottery Way Didcot OX11 7UG</b>
No objections	P20/S3414/HH	Single storey extension at the front.  <b>28 Portway Didcot OX11 0BE</b>
No objections.	P20/S3410/HH	Single storey extension at the front.  <b>26 Portway Didcot OX11 0BE</b>

## 12. APPLICATIONS REFUSED

The Committee noted the below listed proposal that had been refused permission.

<b>Didcot Town Council's recommendation</b>	<b>Planning Application Number</b>	<b>Proposal and Address</b>
No objections, with comment:  The Council is concerned though that the internal layout of the proposed separate dwelling would not meet current standards with a toilet and bathroom being accessed directly from the kitchen area.	P19/S4557/FUL	Conversion of existing annexe accommodation which is ancillary to 5A  Oatland Road and 12 Fairacres Road, to self-contained dwelling.  <b>5A Oatland Road Didcot OX11 8QF</b>

## 13. APPLICATIONS WITHDRAWN

The Committee noted the below listed proposal that had been withdrawn.

<b>Didcot Town Council's recommendation</b>	<b>Planning Application Number</b>	<b>Proposal and Address</b>
No objections.	<a href="#">P20/S1655/FUL</a>	<b>Land south of A4130 Didcot</b>

		Application for temporary site access from A4130 to be used for construction traffic only for duration of S278 works at primary access (approved under Outline permission P16/S3609/O)
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**14. APPLICATIONS REFERRED**

The Committee noted there had been no proposals referred.

<b>Didcot Town Council's recommendation</b>	<b>Planning Application Number</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>South Oxfordshire District Council Officer's recommendation</b>
None.			

The meeting closed at 20:12.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**4. Questions on the minutes as to the progress of any item and progress reports.**

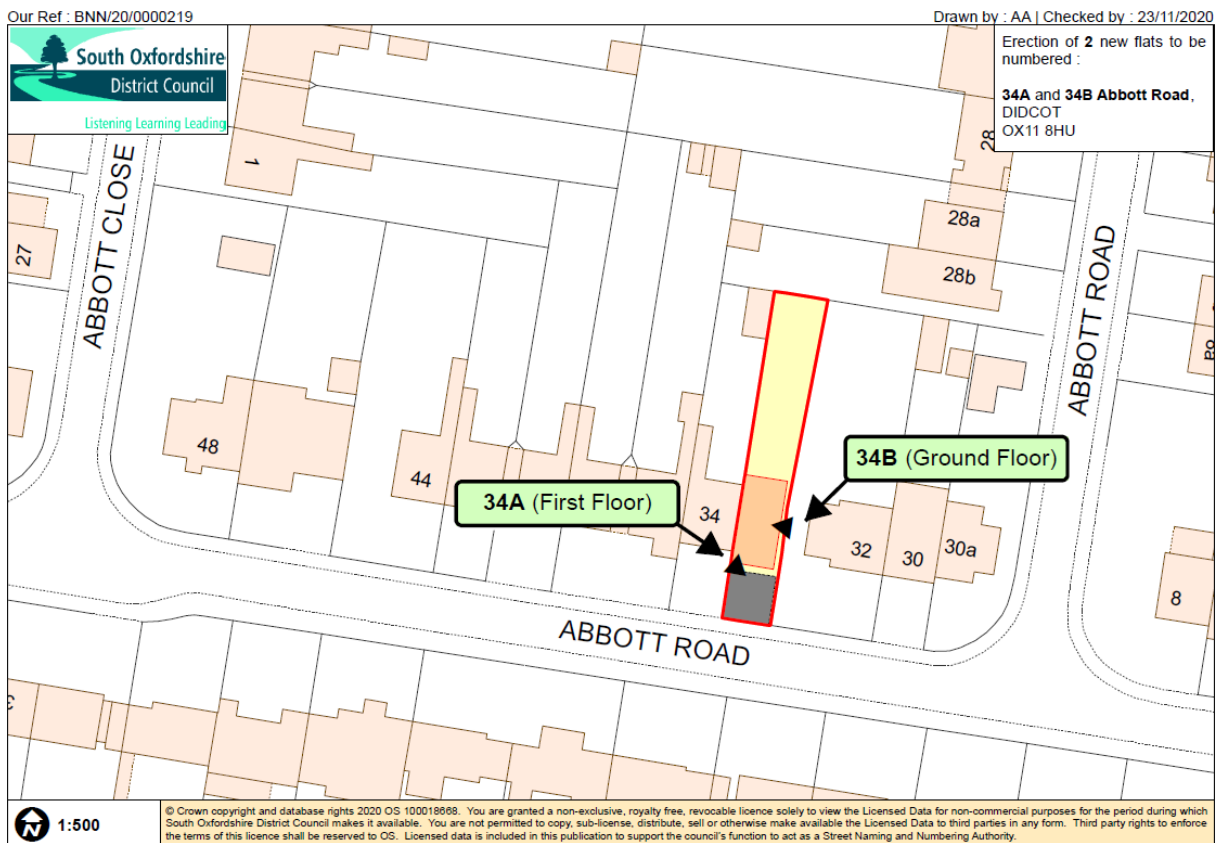
Meeting	Progress	Next Steps	Responsible
28.10.2020	All responses submitted as agreed.	N/A	N/A
28.10.2020	CPE update:	N/A	N/A
<p>Press release from SODC (1<sup>st</sup> December 2020):</p> <p>A major change aimed at helping to prevent illegal parking could move a step closer in the Vale of White Horse and South Oxfordshire this week.</p> <p>At their respective meetings on 3 and 4 December, South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse District Councils' cabinets will consider whether to move forward with proposals for Civil Parking Enforcement (CPE) which could see responsibility for enforcement transfer from the police to a new team managed by Oxfordshire County Council.</p> <p>Vale of White Horse and South Oxfordshire District Councils enforce parking in their own off-street car parks. However, enforcement for on-street parking in both districts is carried out by the police. This can put unnecessary extra pressure on police resources and leave parking problems unresolved as the police focus on more serious crimes.</p> <p>Local councils can apply to the government to take on powers for Civil Parking Enforcement which allows them to fine motorists who park illegally or drive in bus lanes.</p> <p>The two councils have been working alongside Oxfordshire County Council and Cherwell District Council to investigate the feasibility of implementing CPE arrangements within their three districts. This work has included commissioning a specialist parking consultant to investigate the potential benefits, challenges, and financial requirements of the scheme.</p> <p>In order to implement CPE, cabinets at all three districts need to agree to move forward with the proposals. The councils would then collectively ask Oxfordshire County Council to submit a joint CPE application to the government for approval.</p> <p>CPE is already in place in Oxford city centre and in West Oxfordshire. If the application is approved by the government, parking enforcement on-street in South and Vale would then be carried out by a new team managed by Oxfordshire County Council.</p> <p>Cabinet members at Vale and South Oxfordshire will now decide whether to approve the proposals and therefore ask the county council to move forward and submit the application to the government.</p> <p>They will also confirm the financial contribution that the councils will need to make in order to support the formal application to the Department for Transport to implement Civil Parking Enforcement in their respective districts.</p> <p>If all three districts agree then CPE could be implemented by the end of 2021.</p> <p>Cllr David Rouane, Cabinet Member for Housing and Environment at South Oxfordshire District Council, said: "Parking restrictions are important in helping to ensure congestion and road safety can be managed effectively. Our current on-street enforcement is carried out by the police; however, this is not a great use of their resources, with enforcement generally taking place only if there is a danger or an obstruction. If taken forward, this more locally focussed approach could be a much more efficient and effective way of managing the issue and dealing with problem areas."</p>			

**5. To receive an update on the progress of P20/S1824/HH.**

Application	<a href="#">P20/S1824/HH</a>	24 East Street Didcot OX11 8EJ
Proposal	<p>Amendment: No. 1 - dated 19th November 2020</p> <p>Erect a fence on top of existing brick, in order to create a private garden on our property. (As amended by drawings received 19 November 2020, proposing a trellis on top of the wall instead of the close board fence).</p>	
Response date	4 <sup>th</sup> December 2020	
Agreed response	Members agreed by email that the amendment to a trellis from a fence was not a material enough change to warrant re-consideration of the Committee's original decision.	

**6. To consider the response to the District's approval of the removal of two oak trees at Shinmoor Close and related petition and residents' campaigns.**

**7. To note the erection of 2 new flats to be numbered: 34A and 34B Abbott Road, DIDCOT. OX11 8HU.**



## 8. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

### Proposals for Comment

a)	Application	<a href="#">P20/S4223/HH</a>	55 Kynaston Road Didcot OX11 8HD
	Proposal	Proposed front extension	
	Response date	14 <sup>th</sup> December 2020 (extended from 9 <sup>th</sup> December 2020)	
	Agreed response		
b)	Application	<a href="#">P20/S4138/RM</a>	Land to the north east of Didcot
	Proposal	<p>Reserved matters application following outline application ref. P15/S2902/O for details of the appearance, landscaping, layout and scale.</p> <p>Outline planning application with details of the means of access only to be considered for a new and integrated neighbourhood to the northeast of Didcot of up to 1880 homes (with up to 40% being Affordable Housing) and comprising</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) two new primary schools</li> <li>(ii) a new secondary school</li> <li>(iii) a new leisure/sports facility and sports pitches, including a pavilion</li> <li>(iv) a neighbourhood centre comprising: a 1500 sqm Class A1 (shop) use; up to 5 units, each up to 200 sqm, of small flexible units within Classes A1, A2, A3, A4 or A5; a Class A4 or A3 or mixed use Public House/restaurant; a Class C1 hotel; and a Class D1 non-residential institutional use (for example a creche or children's day nursery)</li> <li>(v) a new community hall</li> <li>(vi) a Class C3 residential Extra Care Housing facility</li> <li>(vii) new areas of green infrastructure including amenity green space, allotments and children's play areas</li> <li>(viii) a comprehensive suite of other supporting town-wide and site-specific associated infrastructure.</li> </ul>	
	Response date	14 <sup>th</sup> December 2020 (extended from 10 <sup>th</sup> December 2020)	
	Agreed response		
c)	Application	<a href="#">P20/S3491/HH</a>	33 Park Road Didcot OX11 8QL
	Amended Proposal	Two storey rear extension (As amended by drawings received 27 November 2020, to remove the proposed balcony / roof terrace and side facing dormer windows. Proposed side facing roof lights and change flat roof of the rear extension to a lean-to roof).	
	Previous response	On 30 <sup>th</sup> October 2020, a response of 'No objections' was submitted.	

	Response date	14 <sup>th</sup> December 2020	
	Agreed response		
d)	Application	<a href="#">P20/S4376/HH</a>	5 Lydalls Close Didcot OX11 7LD
	Proposal	Single and two storey extensions to existing bungalow.	
	Response date	17 <sup>th</sup> December 2020	
	Agreed response		
e)	Application	<a href="#">P20/S4251/O</a>	SC Car Sales Wantage Road DIDCOT OX11 0BS
	Proposal	Outline application for demolition of garage and erection of 8 flats.	
	Response date	16 <sup>th</sup> December 2020	
	Agreed response		

**9. APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFICATES OF LAWFUL DEVELOPMENT AND INFORMATION ONLY.**

A)	Application	<a href="#">P20/S4186/LDP</a>	12 Loddon Drive Didcot OX11 7QA
	Proposal	Enlarged single storey side extension.	

**10. PLANNING APPEALS**

A)	Application	None.	
	Proposal		
	Planning Outcome		
	Representations by		

## 11. APPLICATIONS APPROVED

Didcot Town Council's recommendation	Planning Application Number	Proposal and Address
No objections	<b>P20/S3486/HH</b>	Demolition of existing garage and erection of a single-storey extension to the side and rear of the property <b>30 Usk Way Didcot OX11 7SQ</b>
06.08.2020: Object 12.10.2020: Object	<b>P20/S2255/FUL</b>	New Dwelling (As amended by Drawing PL01 Rev B altering the garden sizes of the existing and proposed dwelling) <b>47 Lynmouth Road Didcot OX11 8PW</b>
17.07.2020: No objection 30.10.2020: No objection	<b>P20/S1883/RM</b>	Reserved Matters application for alternative house types for 8 dwellings – Plots 19, 23, 38, 57, 59, 60, 61, 62 (follows P18/S0719/RM reserved matters approval for layout, scale, appearance and landscaping for 166 dwellings granted by outline permission P16/S3609/O 1 September 2017 (as amended by drawings accompanying letter from Agent dated 6 October 2020). <b>Land south of A4130 Didcot</b>
No objections	<b>P20/S3250/HH</b>	Two storey side extension, single storey lean-to kitchen extension and front porch (amendment to previously approved Planning Application P20/S0147/HH) <b>38 North Road Didcot Oxon OX11 7EQ</b>
No objections with comments	<b>P20/S3222/FUL</b>	Change of use of land from drainage to residential, whilst retaining drainage function (ditch). Install covered decking area over drainage ditch and remove



		fence between house and rear boundary. Erection of fence on raise platform. Repositioning of access gate for ditch maintenance.  <b>50 Bluebell Lane Didcot OX11 6GN</b>
No objections	<b>P20/S2915/HH</b>	Small single storey extension to the front and conversion of garage (storage).  <b>22 Portway Didcot OX11 0BE</b>
No objections	<b>P20/S2487/HH</b>	Proposed additions to the existing back extensions and associated alterations.  <b>30 Kynaston Road DIDCOT Oxon OX11 8HD</b>
No objections	<b>P20/S3434/FUL</b>	Variation of condition 2 (approved drawings - design changes) on application ref. P17/S4005/FUL. Construct a new two-bedroom house at the side of 31 Norreys Road Didcot, with a single storey extension at the rear of the existing house. Two new parking spaces and highway cross-over from Brunel Road. Re-arrangement of parking and new highway cross-over from Norreys Road at the front of the property.  <b>31 Norreys Road Didcot OX11 0AT</b>
No objections	<b>P20/S3621/HH</b>	Single storey side extension  <b>23 Freeman Road Didcot OX11 7DD</b>
No objections	<b>P20/S3619/HH</b>	Two storey and single storey rear extensions.  <b>8 Doe Lea Didcot OX11 7YQ</b>

## 12. APPLICATIONS REFUSED

**South Oxfordshire**

<b>Didcot Town Council's recommendation</b>	<b>Planning Application Number</b>	<b>Proposal and Address</b>
Objection	<b>P20/S2959/FUL</b>	Erection of a detached two-storey building comprising eight apartments (eight 1-bedroom) with access, parking and amenity space. (as amended by plans received 23 October 2020).  <b>186 Abingdon Road Didcot OX11 9BP</b>

**13. APPLICATIONS WITHDRAWN**

**South Oxfordshire**

<b>Didcot Town Council's recommendation</b>	<b>Planning Application Number</b>	<b>Proposal and Address</b>

**14. APPLICATIONS REFERRED**

**South Oxfordshire District Council**

<b>Didcot Town Council's recommendation</b>	<b>Planning Application Number</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>South Oxfordshire District Council Officer's recommendation</b>
None.			

## Didcot Town Council

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# Planning & Development Committee

2<sup>nd</sup> December 2020

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## The planned removal of two oak trees at Shinmoor Close and related petition and residents' campaigns.

### Introduction

1. Following the receipt of emails and phone calls from concerned residents, I sent an email to the Council an extract of the text of which is copied below.

"I can have spoken to SODC, who have approved the work to remove the trees, which is to start by 14th October 2022 (within 2 years of the order being made), the works order is [here](#).

Regarding the detail of Dr Hards' email. I have looked at the Change.Org and there doesn't seem to be a way to ask a petitioner to amend a petition. Until now, I was not aware of the petition, which has now reached 740 signatures. I do not know if the direction of the petition can be changed but will investigate that further. The petition is directed towards 5 bodies, DTC, the MP, SODC and its Leader and the Forestry Commission but identifies DTC first, so that is why Didcot Town Council is mentioned specifically, even though it did not make the decision. Dr Hards indicates that the person that raised the petition may be a member of the "Wild in Didcot" Facebook group, and it would be inappropriate for the Officers to get in touch with the resident uninvited through Facebook to ask her to change the direction of the petition to take the focus away from DTC, though a member may feel able to make contact this way?

As I am sure you would expect, I have received a good deal of correspondence from, local residents, many of whom were under the impression that the Town Council had approved the request to remove the TPOs and therefore the trees. DTC does not routinely receive TPO removal requests.

I do not know if members wish to discuss the matter, as a Council and would appreciate some guidance. The next most appropriate meeting would be the 9th December 2020 Planning & Development meeting, there being no meeting of any Committee next week."

### Detail

2. I had received a copy of a letter sent to SODC Cllr S Cooper by a resident regarding these trees, a copy of which is attached.
3. The members responded to my email above indicating a wish to consider the matter at this Planning & Development Committee.

4. The responsible authority in matters of tree preservation is the District Council, the Town Council has limited powers, even more so as the order to remove the trees has been made.
5. As indicated in the email text, a resident has raised an online petition, which mentioned Didcot Town Council, that petition had reached 924 signatories on the 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2020.
6. Referring to the SODC's website and the works order can be seen on this [page](#) of their website, the tree orders are attached. It appears on reading the consent order that the trees were "a significant factor in subsidence damage. For this reason, the council does not object to the removal of the trees."

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