



# MINUTES

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**Committee:** Planning Committee  
**Date:** Tuesday 10 December 2024  
**Time:** 7.00pm  
**Venue:** Community Club

## Present

Cllr Richard Short (Chairman)  
Cllr Vivienne Hodges  
Cllr Chris Walden

## Also Present

## PUBLIC SESSION

### 69/2024 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Austin, Cllr Fileman-Wright, Cllr Keep and Cllr Warner.

### 70/2024 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS / REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

No declarations of interest or requests for dispensations were received. *Localism Act 2011 (sections 26-37 and Schedule 4)*

### 71/2024 MINUTES

It was proposed by Cllr Hodges, seconded by Cllr Walden, and **resolved** to accept and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2024 as a correct record. *LGA 1972 Sch 12 para 41(1)*

### 72/2024 STANDING ITEM – CLIMATE AND ECOLOGY EMERGENCY:

The committee noted the Council Declaration to embed the climate and ecology emergency declaration across all Council services, activities, plans and other relevant work, considering the environmental impact of decisions, ensuring a fully integrated approach to mitigating the impact of climate change.

### 73/2024 0280/24: Redevelopment and change of use from existing pub to mixed use at The Bell inn, Cross Street, Moretonhampstead, TQ13 8NL

Cllr Short noted that the Council resolved to support the planning application as originally submitted at its meeting on 16 July 2024. He explained the main changes in the proposed

It was proposed by Cllr Hodges, seconded by Cllr Walden, and **resolved to that** Moretonhampstead Parish Council:

Has no objection to the amendment reducing the proposed residential accommodation to two one-bedroom first floor flats. The loss of the proposed flat in the roof avoids the need for all but one roof light and the large dormer, improving the roofscape.

Is unclear why a financial viability assessment is necessary to justify the lack of provision towards affordable housing. There appears to be no increase in gross internal floorspace, and the building has been continuously vacant for a period of over three years, qualifying for Vacant Buildings Credit.

Notes the simpler form of proposed fenestration justified on the basis of modern requirements and materials.

Noted that MPC has awarded Hippo, the proposed tenant, a shopfront grant towards the provision of a hanging sign in recognition of the importance of the project to improving the town centre.

### **74/2024 PLANNING MATTERS**

The following planning matters were noted:

1. 0177/24 & 0178/24: Refurbishing and remodelling of the main house, constructing a new outdoor swimming pool and field kitchen, new opening to walled garden and landscaping works, Hayne Old Manor, Moretonhampstead. TQ13 8SB - Grant of conditional planning permission and listed building consent.
2. 0347/24: Agricultural shed, Coombe Court Farm, Moretonhampstead TQ13 8QD – Grant of conditional planning permission.
3. 0377/24 0378/24: installation of galvanised steel safety steps with handrail and oak post and rail fence at the Electric Turbine House, Castle Drogo, Drewsteignton EX6 6PB – Grant of conditional planning permission and listed building consent.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 19.15pm.