

## PLANNING COMMITTEE

### CONSIDERATION OF PLANNING MATTERS DURING THE PERIOD 1 – 21 JUNE 2021

The Clerk had circulated details of planning applications decided since the last meeting.

P21/03341/TCA      139 High Street, Bitton. Works to fell 1 no. Norway Spruce situated within the Bitton Conservation Area.

The comments of the Parish Council are No Objection subject to the views of the South Gloucestershire Council Tree Officer.

P21/03813/F      64 Court Road, Oldland Common. Erection of a two storey rear extension to form additional living accommodation.

The comments of the Parish Council are No Objection.

ENQ21/0419      Sewage Purification Works Mead Lane Saltford. Construction of a new private single lane vehicular access road, including a bridge across the River Avon, to Saltford Water Recycling Centre from the A431. The proposal includes landscape planting, flood compensation storage, a new permissive footpath and a wetland scrape.

Bitton Parish Council strongly Object to this planning proposal.

The application to build a bridge across the river at Swineford is a major proposal in an area of recognised ecological value. For Bath to aspire to National Heritage status it doesn't look plausible when it wants to build a bridge across the Avon and vandalise the Green Belt and AONB.

If this proposal goes ahead the green credentials of the area will be lost forever. One planning application has been refused in the past so how can this one succeed?

There are serious flooding issues in Swineford and yet there is this proposal to build a bridge because Saltford floods. There is Flood warden scheme on the Bitton side of the river indicating how seriously the flooding issue is there. Climate change will increase flood risk across the whole of the valley.

Hedgerows are an important feature of our area and the structure, ramps and access road will have a detrimental impact of the wide diversity of plants trees and wildlife. The pollution caused will affect the residents, the school and the nurseries as well as the additional noise of construction and extra traffic the bridge and new road will generate to the area causing dust and dirt from the extra traffic.

The exit and entrance onto the A431 will mean the removal of a large swathe of established hedgerow. It will take a considerable time for it to mature.

This area is plagued by inconsiderate speeding as subsequent speed visors have indicated. With site traffic constitutes a recipe for disaster. The site traffic both construction and Sewage vehicles are to be diverted to South Glos through narrow country roads with pinch points in Bitton Village, Willsbridge and Swineford as well as Kelston.

Bitton and the other areas along the A431 will bear the brunt of this shocking proposal and get none of the benefits the Saltford residents will experience. Money required for this could be used to improve the access in Saltford.

South Glos residents have been shown little consideration and even less consultation by BANES and South Glos.

BANES is riding roughshod over our residents and we urge them to think again.

We would also like it noted that BANES have not contacted Bitton Parish Council direct about this proposal and would have thought this would have been so considering we were an adjoining Parish.

P21/03891/F      Land At Long Acres, Redfield Hill, Bitton. Formation of new vehicular access drive (to serve barn and office conversions to residential pursuant to P20/21706/F and P/20/13771/PNOR) and associated landscaping works

The comments of the Parish Council are No Objection.

P21/03433/F      Green Gables Redfield Hill Bitton. Alterations to roof to facilitate enlargement of first floor living accommodation.

The comments of the Parish Council are No Objection.

P21/02685/PDR      8 Tudor Close, Oldland Common. Erection of single storey rear extension to form additional living accommodation.

The comments of the Parish Council are No Objection.

P21/04139/F      18 Westland Avenue, Oldland Common. Erection of single storey front, side and rear extensions to form additional living accommodation.

The comments of the Parish Council are No Objection subject to sufficient provision of off street parking.

P21/03953/F      83 Bath Road, Bridgeyate. Erection of replacement detached garage

The comments of the Parish Council are No Objection.

P21/04177/F      14 Grampian Close, Oldland Common. Erection of single storey front extension to form additional living accommodation.

The comments of the Parish Council are No Objection.

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Chairman