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e. Illuminating speed signs. The original illuminating signs provided by the Borough proved to be unfit for purpose and were abandoned. Newer LED signs are now available as a fairly cost effective option. However, it is Government policy that they only be used at recognisable serious accident black spots, as they become less effective the more they are used. However, he will re-investigate their use in Cricklade Road and Eastrop and resubmit it to the appropriate committee for consideration.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

18. a. S/06/1209MACA. Erection of 1 No. dwelling. Land at Westrop, Highworth.(resubmitted).
- b. S/06/1063KIWA. Erection of 1 No. Dwelling and provision of 5 No. parking spaces. 79 Westrop, Highworth.

The Councillors have been made aware that there are two applications now in for a development of either 24 or 23 new houses at Coffin Close(S/06/1392RM and S/06/1393RM). This will have an impact on their consideration of both these applications as they all have a cumulative effect on the area and need to be considered together. Councillors ask that these two applications be delayed so that they can be allowed to come to a conclusion based on the implications of them all taken as a whole.

MEMBERS BUSINESS

19. None.

Meeting closed 8.00 pm



CORRESPONDENCE

14. None.

PLANNING PERMISSIONS/REFUSALS

PERMISSIONS

15. none.

REFUSALS

16. None.

SWINDON BOROUGH COUNCIL – HIGHWAYS

17. The following issues were discussed with Bob Sanders, Traffic Management Department, Swindon Borough Council:

a. Signage.

- ❖ The Council would like to replace the four gateway signs to the town with tourist gateway signs. The Council appreciates that it will need to find the finance for this and is prepared to do so and would like to proceed with this immediately.
 - ❖ There are plans by the Borough to replace some of the major directional signs at roundabouts but no plans to clean or replace other smaller shabby signs. However, if the Council can identify any signs that it considers un-necessary the Borough would consider their removal. The Town Council might consider cleaning signage from within its own resources but this will need to be an agenda item on a future GP&F Meeting
- b. The Fox Roundabout. Swindon Borough Council are willing to investigate the removal of some of the arrows on this roundabout but must retain the blue single arrow signs which are mandatory. The Borough will also discuss some kind of appropriate landscaping with Martin Buckland.
- c. High Street. The Borough is not opposed to the Council pursuing a lighting scheme. For the One Way system to be explored again would require for it to be brought up as a new initiative.
- d. Vicarage Lane.
- ❖ Speed humps could be considered but is not a preferred option. They could cause problems to older Buildings with inadequate foundations due to excess vibration from traffic and are a source of increased noise. There is also the problem that they are inappropriate for a Conservation Area and could be m opposed by Conservation Officers.
 - ❖ In theory a Residents' Parking Scheme could be considered but it is not recommended as there are no Enforcement options readily available and the funding would have to be supplied by Highworth.



**MINUTES
OF THE MEETING OF THE
PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE
6 JUNE 2006**

PRESENT

Councillor c Baskerville (In the Chair)

Councillors: (Miss S E Freeman
R Haines
G Jefferies
A Peake
(Mrs) M Penny
K Poulton
R Scotchmer
(Mrs) L Vardy

IN ATTENDANCE

Bob Sanders (Traffic Management, Swindon Borough Council) 9 Members of the Public

APOLOGIES

11. Councillors (Mrs) A H Livall, A Peake, J Toll and S Weisinger.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

12. None.

MINUTES OF MEETING

13. **RESOLVED TO ACCEPT AND SIGN THE MINUTES OF THE PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 23 MAY 2006.**