

HEREFORD CITY COUNCIL

PLANNING & HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE 22 June 2023

RESPONSES TO PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND OTHER ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

Verdicts:

5G Mast Delegated Decision Applications

Number	Address	Verdict
231632	Bath Street Telecommunication Installation, Bath Street, Portfields, Hereford, HR1 2HE	OBJECTION! Councillors noted that the proposed mast would impede on pedestrian access to the street, with the electronics box taking up too much space on the pavement and potentially posing a risk to those with mobility issues. It was also noted that this mast is situated near the historic city walls, which would be detracted from by the mast's sheer height. This application is within the conservation area, and Councillors agreed that heritage needs to be protected. As such, this application is detrimental to the historic element of the City, and it was suggested that a more suitable nearby location should be sought where the mast would be at least partially hidden from public view. Councillors did accept that 5G is needed within the City, but this should not be at the expense of Hereford's status as a scenic, attractive and accessible City.

Planning Applications

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231703	Three Counties Hotel, Belmont, Hereford, Herefordshire HR2 7BP	No Objections, though Councillors stated that it is regretful to lose the hotel and a shame to see the building demolished.
231457	61 Commercial Street, Hereford, Herefordshire, HR1 2DJ	OBJECTION! Councillors disagreed with the alterations to the frontage of the premises. This is a listed building, and these changes to the front doors of the property would be irreversible. It was also noted that there was a lack of mention of disabled access in the application, and this would need to be addressed.
231535	61 Commercial Street, Hereford, Herefordshire, HR1 2DJ	See above (same property).
231272	Graftonbury Court, Grafton Lane, Herefordshire	OBJECTION! This application does not meet the County's needs for housing. Councillors agreed to support the local Parish Council's objection to the application, that the proposed build does not comply with several policies and that the size of the build would detract from the local vicinity.

223945	35 Hampton Park Road, Hereford, Herefordshire, HR1 1TH	OBJECTION! Councillors were highly sceptical of the proposed situation with parking and turning on the property. The limited space for cars to turn would mean exiting the premises by reversing onto a busy main road. This also provides difficulty for emergency vehicles accessing the properties, and Councillors would need to see these concerns addressed before agreeing with the application.
231317	Hereford Railway Station, 30 Station Approach, Hereford, Herefordshire, HR1 1BB	No Objection.
231697	Hereford Skatepark, Holmer Road, Hereford	No Objection. Councillors greatly support the application and recognise the wide variety of benefits that Hereford Skatepark brings to the City.
231542	Old Market Tavern, Garrick Lane, Old Market, Hereford, Herefordshire HR4 9HR	No Objection.
231349	160 Eign Street, Hereford, Herefordshire, HR4 0AP	No Objection.

Footpath Diversion Application

N/A	Grid Ref: SO 50373 39528	No Objection, though Councillors would like to stipulate that the Victorian fencing currently in place along the footpath be retained and not destroyed or discarded.
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Tree Works Applications

231636	Unit 14b, Rockfield Road, Hereford, Herefordshire, HR1 2UA	No Objection, though Councillors would have preferred to have seen photos of the trees and to have had a tree surgeon's report.
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Licensing

N/A	High Town, Hereford. HR1 2AA	No Objection.
N/A	Castle Green & Bishops Meadow, Hereford, HR2 7RB	No Objection.