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County Borough Council

## MINUTES OF MEETING

# PLANNING AND REGULATORY FACT FINDING VISITS MEETING

**THURSDAY, 23RD NOVEMBER, 2017**

**PRESENT:** Councillor C Tovey (**In the Chair**)

Councillors H Barrett, D Chaplin, M Colbran, E Galsworthy,  
C T Jones, G Lewis, J Thomas and S Thomas

Simon Jones (Senior Solicitor), Caroline Pulley (Planning Officer), Gerald Coughlan (Senior Assistant Engineer) and Martin Stark (Traffic Engineer) and Matthew Phillips (Democratic Services Officer)

ITEM NO.	AGENDA MATTER	DECISION
1	Apologies for absence	Apologies for absence were received for Councillor J Amos.
2	Declarations of Interest	Councillor Ernie Galsworthy declared a personal and prejudicial interest in Item 3 as he is a Co-opted member of the Bedlinog Community Council
3	P/17/0276 - Bontnewydd Hotel, High Street, Trelewis, Treharris, CF46 6AB	<p>The Chair formally opened the meeting and referred to the Council's Constitution whereby the public in attendance are unable to address the committee.</p> <p>The members of the committee introduced themselves to the public in attendance.</p> <p>The Planning Officer outlined the application and a number of plans of the proposed development were displayed to assist the committee.</p>

		<p>The following questions were raised by the committee and answered in detail by the Planning and Highways Officers in attendance.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Can you explain to the committee what is meant by a “locally listed building”</li> <li>• What means of escape will occupants have once the existing fire escape is removed from the premises</li> <li>• Can you tell the committee who were the two letters of support received from in relation to this application</li> <li>• Has bin storage been taken into consideration within the application</li> </ul> <p>In relation to parking the following issues were raised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Parking restrictions on the High Street.</li> <li>• Parking difficulties in the evenings.</li> <li>• Parking facilities provided locally are insufficient for the number of residents that wish to use them.</li> <li>• Has the Council carried out any parking surveys in the area.</li> <li>• There are a number of residents within the vicinity with disabilities, this application will increase the number of parking issues.</li> <li>• The premises in question is opposite the local school and drop off and pick up times are extremely busy, will the application add to the issues currently being witnessed.</li> <li>• In relation to the parking facilities included in the application, is there sufficient space for cars to turn.</li> <li>• Where the parking is provided as part of the application, does it lead onto an adopted highway.</li> </ul> <p>The Chair thanked the members of the public for their attendance and informed them that the item will be listed for the next Planning, Regulatory and Licensing meeting at 5pm on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December.</p>
4	Any other business deemed urgent by the Chair	The Chair thanked the Officers and Councillors for their attendance and advised that there was no other business deemed urgent and closed the meeting.