

**Minutes of Okehampton Town Council Planning Committee Meeting held on  
Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2020 at 8.35pm in the Council Chamber,  
Town Hall, Okehampton**

**Committee Members Present:** Councillor T Leech (Chairman)  
Councillor J Yelland (Mayor)  
Councillor C Marsh (Chairman, Parks)  
Councillor P Vachon (Chairman, Property)  
Councillor B Tolley (Chairman, Policy & Resources)  
Councillor J Goffey  
Councillor M Ireland  
Councillor P Jessop  
Councillor D Penna

**Other Members Present:** Councillor G Button  
Councillor C Holt

**In Attendance:** Mrs E James (Town Clerk)  
2 members of the public

	<b>Action</b>
767 <b><u>Apologies for Absence</u></b> – Cllr Sanger, who was not a member of the committee, had tendered apologies.	
768 <b><u>Deferments of Business</u></b> – Cllr Ireland raised concern regarding the 178 bus and the route it took when he had travelled on it recently. Clerk to establish if it was a commercial enterprise or run through DCC and write to the appropriate organisation.	Clerk
769 <b><u>Members Questions</u></b> – Members of the public outlined a situation with regards to planning application 2232/19/FUL which was taking some time to be decided by WDBC. <i>(2 members of the public left the meeting)</i>	
770 <b><u>Planning Applications</u></b> – Cllrs Vachon and Yelland declared an interest being Members of WDBC's Planning Committee.	
<b>0471/20/TPO</b> On the proposition of Cllr Ireland, seconded by Cllr Jessop (2 abstentions) it was <b>RESOLVED</b> to OBJECT to the application on the grounds that the paperwork was confusing in that the application form at question 6 indicated there were no concerns regarding the safety of the trees, and that the trees were of amenity value including the Ash tree as there were no signs of disease.	Clerk
<b>0479/20/TCA</b> On the proposition of Cllr Ireland, seconded Cllr Jessop (2 abstentions) it was <b>RESOLVED</b> to OBJECT to the application on the grounds that the trees are not showing signs of ash dieback and as such have greater amenity value.	Clerk
<b>0622/20/TPO</b> On the proposition of Cllr Jessop, seconded by Cllr Ireland (2 abstentions), it was <b>RESOLVED</b> to OBJECT to the application on the grounds that no professional report has been submitted and the supplied sketch map refers to 2 other trees; T2 and T3	Clerk

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.03pm.

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**Councillor Leech**  
**Chairman**