

**SLEAFORD TOWN COUNCIL
MEETING OF THE APPLICATIONS COMMITTEE**

Minutes of the Meeting of the **Applications Committee**
held on Wednesday September 19th 2012 at 7:00pm
at The Source, Southgate, Sleaford

PRESENT: Cllr D Birks (Chairman)

Cllr J Mathieson (Vice-Chairman)	Cllr J Charlesworth	Cllr K Fernandes
Cllr B Dunbar-Beckford	Cllr M Graves	Cllr T Mayfield
Cllr D Suiter	Cllr G Titmus	Cllr J Titmus
Cllr D Vere-Critcher	Cllr B Watson (Leader)	Cllr D Andrews
Cllr G Jackson (7:06pm)		

Also Present: Mrs S McIntyre (Clerk), Mrs M Waddingham (Assistant Clerk) and 2 members of the public.

The Chairman welcomed all present.

A.1 APOLOGIES. Apologies, with reasons, had been given to the Clerk from Councillors M Allan, I Dolby and K Dolby. These were accepted.

A.2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST. To receive disclosable pecuniary interests in accordance with s.34 of the Localism Act 2011.

There were none.

A.3 MINUTES. Notes of the meeting held on August 29th 2012, had been circulated.

It was proposed by Cllr D Vere-Critcher, and seconded by Cllr K Fernandes that the Notes from August 29th 2012, with one minor amendment, be accepted as Minutes of that meeting.

Vote – 13 for. The Resolution was passed and the Chairman signed the Minutes.

A.4 CHAIRMAN'S REPORTS.

- Handley Chase Developers Meeting - Chairman asked for comments to be given to the Clerk in writing. Cllr M Graves asked if STC questions for the developer have been minuted? The Clerk answered.
- Confidential Development – Chairman has contacted the developer.
- Planning Committee Meeting – 25 September – The Playhouse, 54 Westgate. No Councillor available.
- Planning Committee Meeting – 25 September –M C Mountain & Son Ltd. No Councillor available.

A.5 CLERK'S REPORT.

- Invitation to all Councillors – St. Botolphs Community Hall 80th Anniversary celebrations – October 7th.
- LALC Chairman/Councillor Training – October 3rd, 6:30 at The Source.

- Clerk reminded members of the protocol when Councillors seek advice. The Clerk is the first point of contact. Cllr B Watson supported this.
- Donation for Mr N Moses – Temp Admin Assistant.

A.6 NEW OR AMENDED APPLICATIONS FOR DISCUSSION.

12/0882/HOUS – Mr Mountain. Enclosure of existing courtyard to form kitchen extension. The Old Rectory, Northfield Road, Quarrington.

It was proposed by Cllr K Fernandes that no objections be raised to this application, but comments to be made to use vertical geotech textile to prevent roots damaging buildings in the future. Seconded by Cllr D Vere-Critcher.

Vote – 8 for; 1 against and 5 abstentions. The Resolution was passed, no objections, with the above comments to be passed to NKDC.

A.7 ITEMS TO BE NOTED. These were noted.

It was proposed without notice by Cllr D Birks for this meeting to continue and to delay the start of the next meeting. Seconded by Cllr D Suiter.

Vote – 14 for. The Resolution was passed.

A.8 INTENDED WORKS TO TREES WITHIN A CONSERVATION AREA: 17-19 Market Place.

It was proposed by Cllr D Andrews that no objections be raised and pass comments that it is very encouraging that something is happening with the site. Seconded by Cllr D Suiter.

Vote – 13 for and 1 abstention. The Resolution was passed.

A.9 TREE PRESERVATION ORDER: Peveral Retirement Moores Court Jermyn Street.

It was proposed by Cllr G Titmus that no objections be raised. Seconded by Cllr D Vere-Critcher.

Vote – 13 for and 1 abstention. The Resolution was passed.

A.10 TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE: Westgate (at Northgate junction). This was noted.

A.11 EXPENDITURE TRANSACTION LIST FOR DIRECT DEBITS. This was noted.

A.12 EXPENDITURE TRANSACTION APPROVAL LIST NO. 17

It was proposed by Cllr D Vere-Critcher and seconded by Cllr B Dunbar-Beckford that Transaction List No. 17, be authorised and the cheques be signed.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 7:35pm.