

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

Minutes of the Meeting of the **Applications Committee**  
held on Wednesday February 13<sup>th</sup> 2013 at 7:00pm  
at The Source, Southgate, Sleaford

**PRESENT: Cllr J Mathieson (Chairman)**

Cllr D Andrews (Vice-Chairman)	Cllr D Birks	Cllr J Charlesworth
Cllr I Dolby	Cllr K Dolby	Cllr B Dunbar-Beckford
Cllr K Fernandes	Cllr M Graves	Cllr G Jackson
Cllr H Lorimer	Cllr T Mayfield	Cllr G Titmus
Cllr J Titmus	Cllr D Vere-Critchler	

**Also Present:** Mrs S McIntyre (Clerk), Mrs M Waddingham (Assistant Clerk), a representative from the Target and 1 member of the public.

The Chairman welcomed all present.

- A.1 APOLOGIES.** Apologies, with reasons, had been given to the Clerk from Councillors B Watson, D Suiter and M Allan.
- A.2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.** To receive disclosable pecuniary interests in accordance with the Localism Act 2011.

Cllr I Dolby - 13/0005/LBC & 13/00009/FUL – his Landlord.

**Block dispensation** - to be granted with regard to Application for Tree Work – Boston Road Recreation Ground.

The following were granted a block dispensation for agenda 9b (Tree works, Boston Road Recreational Ground) until May 2015:-  
Councillors M Graves, B Dunbar-Beckford, K Dolby, T Mayfield, J Mathieson, H Lorimer, D Birks, G Titmus, J Titmus, K Fernandes, J Charlesworth, G Jackson, D Vere-Critchler, D Andrews and I Dolby.

**Expenditure Transaction Approval List No. 32**

Cllr M Graves – interest in 7604  
Cllr I Dolby – interest 7623 – outlet of Sage UK selling products.

- A.3 MINUTES.** Notes of the meeting held on January 16<sup>th</sup> 2013, had been circulated.

It was proposed by Cllr B Dunbar-Beckford, and seconded by Cllr K Dolby, that the Notes from January 16<sup>th</sup> 2013, be accepted as Minutes of that meeting.

Vote –14 for and 1 abstention. The Resolution was passed, the Chairman signed the Minutes.

**A.4 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT.** There was no report.

**A.5 CLERK'S REPORT.**

- **Named Councillor Badges** – The Clerk circulated new named Councillor badges and asked each Councillor to sign for receipt of these. Old badges to be handed back into the office, as soon as possible.
- **Developers questions** – Holdingham. Councillors noted the reply – did not change their comments that there was insufficient detail to make an informed decision – consultation hopefully before full planning

Cllr I Dolby left the room.

**A.6 NEW OR AMENDED APPLICATIONS FOR DISCUSSION.**

**13/0005/LBC** – J Hodgson & Sons Ltd. Installation of air-conditioning units & associated screening. 32 Southgate.

There was a discussion about noise and fume levels.

It was proposed by Cllr J Mathieson and seconded by Cllr G Titmus that no objections be raised to this application, providing proper environmental health checks for noise and fume levels are in place.

Vote – 14 for. The Resolution was passed, no objections and the above comments to be passed to NKDC.

**13/0009/FUL** – J Hodgson & Sons Ltd. Change of use from beauty salon (Sui Generis) to takeaway hot food outlet (A4) & installation of vent to east elevation.

The Chairman explained the reason for the move and that the vent is high up on the East elevation.

It was proposed by Cllr H Lorimer and seconded by Cllr J Charlesworth that no objections be raised to this application but wished to comment that there should be litter provisions and to monitor external advertising boards on the pavement.

Vote – 13 for and 1 abstention. The Resolution was passed, no objections and the above comments to be passed to NKDC.

Cllr I Dolby returned.

**13/0047/FUL** – Mrs Priestley. Change of use from A2 (offices) D2 (fitness centre.) Unit D & E Pride Parkway Enterprise Park.

It was proposed by Cllr J Charlesworth and seconded by Cllr K Fernandes that no objections be raised to this application.

Vote – 15 for. The Resolution was passed, no objections to be passed to NKDC.

**13/0072/PNTEL** - BT Plc. Installation of single BT DSLAM telecommunications cabinet. Outside St Denys Church, Market Place.

The Chairman explained the application and felt that this is an eye-saw and would impede anyone with pushchairs or mobility scooters, coming around the corner into the market place.

The Clerk explained the reason for the short distance. Cllr K Fernandes said fibre optics could be extended.

It was proposed by Cllr K Fernandes and seconded by Cllr J Charlesworth that no objections be raised on the condition that St. Denys Church is part of the consultation process.

Vote – 9 for; 5 against and 1 abstention. The Resolution was passed, no objections with the above comments to be passed to NKDC.

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

**A.8 TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURES:**

- Bonemill Lane Level Crossing. This was noted.
- Boston Road Railway Bridge & Footpath (30 metres either side of Slea Bridge). The dates have been amended to carry out the work – now 23/02/13 – 15/03/13. This was noted.

**A.9 APPLICATION FOR WORKS TO TREE(S):**

- **Lafford Court.**

It was proposed by Cllr H Lorimer and seconded by Cllr T Mayfield that no objections be raised to this application.

Vote – 14 for and 1 abstention. The Resolution was passed.

- **Boston Road Recreational Ground.**

Cllr G Titmus said it must be clear this work has nothing to do with a supermarket, a road or bridges. This is the care and management of trees, some of which are badly diseased. He explained some of the events leading to the application to fell 12 trees.

It was proposed by Cllr D Birks and seconded by Cllr B Dunbar-Beckford to suspend Standing Order until the business of this meeting is finished.

Vote – 15 for. The Resolution was passed.

Cllr G Titmus proposed and Cllr D Vere-Critchler seconded that 7 trees should be felled at once. The remainder to be reviewed in autumn 2013. A re-planting scheme, agreed between the TC and NKDC Tree Officer to be put in place as described on the application.

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

A press release to be issued as appropriate.

A representative from the Sleaford Standard joined the meeting.

**A.10 TREE WORK GRANTED:** 30 The Paddock, Westgate Park. This was noted.

**A.11 EXPENDITURE TRANSACTION LIST FOR DIRECT DEBITS.** These were noted.

**A.12 EXPENDITURE TRANSACTION APPROVAL LIST NO. 32**

It was proposed by Cllr D Vere-Critcher and seconded by Cllr I Dolby, that the transaction list be accepted and the cheques be signed.

Vote – 13 for and 2 abstentions. The Resolution was passed, the cheques to be signed.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 7:38pm.