

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

Minutes of the Meeting of the **Applications Committee**
held on Wednesday September 4th, 2013 at 7:00pm
at The Source, Southgate, Sleaford

PRESENT: Cllr H Lorimer (Vice-Chairman)

Cllr D Birks
Cllr G Jackson
Cllr J Titmus

Cllr B Dunbar-Beckford
Cllr D Suiter (7:09pm)
Cllr D Vere-Critchler

Cllr K Fernandes
Cllr G Titmus
Cllr B Watson

Also Present. Cllr K Dolby, Cllr C Darch, Mrs S McIntyre (Clerk), Mrs M Waddingham (Assistant Clerk), Mrs L Savage (RFO) and Mr S Beane (Services Supervisor). C/Cllr Hagues, 2 press and 7 members of the public.

In the absence of the Chairman, the Vice Chairman, Cllr H Lorimer took to Chair.

The Vice Chairman welcomed all present and introduced the newly elected Councillor, Cllr C Darch.

A.1 APOLOGIES. Apologies, with reasons, had been given to the Clerk from Councillors T Mayfield, J Mathieson and M Graves. These were accepted.

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

Cllr B Watson declared an interest in Application 13/0900/FULEXT, as he is personal friends of the owners.

A.3 MINUTES. Notes of the meeting held on August 7th, 2013 had been circulated.

It was proposed by Cllr G Titmus and seconded by Cllr B Dunbar-Beckford that the Notes from August 7th, 2013 be accepted as Minutes of that meeting.

Vote – 10 for. The Resolution was passed. The Vice Chairman signed the Minutes.

A.4 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT.

- Larkfleet Homes – looking to bring forward outline proposals for a new development of up to 250 homes to the South of Grantham Road and would like to talk to STC about this. The Chairman and office to arrange a meeting date.
- 2 letters from received from Silk Willoughby Parish Council and residents – The Chairman read out their objections to the Hadley Chase development. Letters available from the office.

A.5 CLERK'S REPORT.

- Footpath improvement works – comments to office by 20th September.

Cllr D Suiter entered the meeting at 7:10pm

A.6 NEW OR AMENDED APPLICATIONS FOR DISCUSSION

13/0900/FULEXT – Four Seasons Garden Centre. Application for a new planning permission to replace an existing planning permission 10/0827/FULEXT for the erection of 4 poly tunnels.

Cllr B Watson left the room.

It was proposed by Cllr D Vere-Critchler and seconded by Cllr K Fernandes that there be “no objections” to this application.

Vote – 7 for and 2 abstentions. The Resolution was passed, “no objections” to be forwarded to NKDC.

Cllr B Watson returned.

13/0648/ADV – 33-35 Southgate (amended) – Erection of 1 externally illuminated fascia sign, 1 illuminated hanging sign, 1 non-illuminated ATM sign & 1 Non- illuminated marketing unit. Lloyds Banking Group: **Amended Plans (non-illumination of fascia.)**

It was proposed by Cllr K Fernandes and seconded by Cllr D Suiter that no objections be raised to this application, on the condition it complies with the conservation Officer’s report.

Vote – 10 for and 1 abstention. The Resolution was passed, no objections, with the above comment, to be forwarded to NKDC.

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

A.8 TEMPORARY TRAFFIC RESTRICTION AMENDMENT: Essential maintenance works – Bonemill Lane Level Crossing. For information only, this was noted.

A.9 EXPENDITURE TRANSACTION LIST FOR DIRECT DEBITS. These were noted.

A.10 EXPENDITURE TRANSACTION APPROVAL LIST NO 14.

Cllr G Jackson asked for clarification, with the Press present, of the fee for the hire of St. Deny’s Church which held the Meeting on 28th August. The Clerk clarified it was £105 for hire of the Church and included the use of the sound system.

It was proposed by Cllr D Vere-Critchler and seconded by Cllr G Titmus that transaction approval list No. 14 be accepted and the cheques be signed.

Vote – 11for. The Resolution was passed.

A.11 CANCELLATION OF CHEQUE.

Mr S Beane explained the reason for the cancellation of this cheque. This was then noted.

A.12 RESOLUTION TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION. To propose that “in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the press and the public be temporarily excluded and they are instructed to withdraw”. It was proposed by Cllr G Titmus and seconded by Cllr B Dunbar-Beckford. Members of the Public and the press withdrew from the meeting.

Vote – 11 for. The Resolution was passed.

It was proposed by Cllr K Fernandes and seconded by Cllr G Titmus to let non committee members stay.

Vote – 11 for. The Resolution was passed.

A.13 NOTICE OF AN APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION.

It was resolved to write a letter to acknowledge receipt of this application and request more information. Also send a copy of the paperwork received originally from the Land Registry.

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