

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

Minutes of the Meeting of the **Applications Committee**
held on Wednesday 30th March 2016, at 7:00pm.
at The Town Hall, Quayside House, Navigation Yard, Sleaford, Lincs, NG34 7TW

PRESENT: Councillor D Suiter (Chairman)

Cllr A Brand	Cllr J Brealeycook	Cllr S Clegg
Cllr P Coyne	Cllr K Dolby	Cllr K Fernandes (7:23pm)
Cllr M Graves	Cllr G Jackson	Cllr J Mathieson
Cllr P McCallum	Cllr A Snookes	Cllr R Willis

Also In Attendance: Council Officers: Project Lead and Minutes Clerk.
Press – (0) Public – (1)

A.1 CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

001 Chairman welcomed all to the meeting.

002 In the absence of the Vice Chairman, **IT WAS RESOLVED** that Cllr J Mathieson be Vice-Chairman for this meeting only.

A.2 APOLOGIES.

003 Apologies, with reasons, had been received from Councillors, B Allan, M Allan, J Charlesworth, H Lorimer and G Titmus. These were accepted and the attendance register was completed.

A.3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive declarations of pecuniary interests in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 and to receive declarations of personal interests.

004 None received.

A.4 MINUTES

005 **IT WAS RESOLVED** that the notes from the Planning Applications Meeting held on 9th March 2016, be approved as Minutes of that meeting. Vote – 10 for and 2 abstentions. The Resolution was carried. The Chairman signed the Minutes.

A.5 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

006 The Maltings and the Road Links will be on a future agenda.

007 A request for a room in the Town Hall to be used for an upcoming Sleaford Twinning event. Members agreed that there will be no charge for room hire on this occasion.

008 Volunteers for cheque signing - Cllr Titmus had volunteered in advance of the meeting Cllr Dolby also volunteered.

A.6 CLERK'S REPORTS

- 009 6.1 **16/0049/FUL (amended) – Land to the rear of 254 Grantham Road.**
Mr Vamplew. Erection of detached dwelling and garage. (Amendment: repositioning of garage) This item was noted.
- 010 6.2 Tree Works N681 (TPO) – Adjacent to 12 Westgate Park: Crown Lift Turkey Oak to 5m. This item was noted.
- 011 6.3 Notification of intended work to Trees: 93 Eastgate – T1 Sycamore – remove lower limb, T2 Conifer – fell. This item was noted.
- 012 6.4 Pavement Café Licence Application – Beer and Bean - Letter of response to LCC Highways. This item was noted.
- 013 It was reported that the suggested road names for Holdingham had now been submitted to the developers. They had all been accepted other than the name Spite. A further suggestion of Hyde Close or Hyde Street was put forward and it was suggested that Spite be resubmitted as Alderman Spite Road. Project Lead will submit both of these suggestions to the developers.
- 014 NKDC have advised of a planned session on 14th April at 5.00 p.m. in the NK Council Chamber. There is only one place available for Town Councillors. Cllr Coyne to attend.

A.7 EXPENDITURE TRANSACTION APPROVAL LISTS.

- 015 **7.1 Regular Direct Debits/Standing Orders. IT WAS RESOLVED** to approve the list totalling £29,050.99. Vote – Unanimous. The Resolution was carried.
- 016 **7.2 Pending Cheque Payments (approval list No.13) IT WAS RESOLVED** to approve the list totalling £5,335.06. Vote – Unanimous. The Resolution was carried.
- 017 **7.3 Pending BACS** - The Project lead to look into a query that dog bins have been purchased as it was previously agreed that dog waste can be put into street bins.
- 018 Clarity was given regarding the cleaning of toilets at the Museum and Money's Yard is a monthly figure.
- 019 **IT WAS RESOLVED** to approve the list totalling £15,907.83. Vote – Unanimous. The Resolution was carried.
- 020 **7.4 Commercial Card Payments IT WAS RESOLVED** to approve the list totalling £178.70. Vote – Unanimous. The Resolution was carried.

A.8. NEW OR AMENDED APPLICATIONS FOR DISCUSSION.

- 021 8.1 **16/0046/FUL (amended) – Happy Day Nursery, Northgate.** Mr Benton. Erection of dwelling & detached garage/carport.

- 022 **IT WAS RESOLVED** that there be no comments to this application. Vote – 11 for and 1 abstention. The Resolution was carried. NKDC to be notified accordingly.
- 023 8.2 **15/0947/FUL (amended) – Former Rauceby Hospital (Central Core) Grantham Road.** Barratt Homes. Demolition of former hospital buildings (blocks A-F), retention of conservatory as open walkway, conversion of Blocks G, L & M to create 6 dwellings, erection of 100 no. new dwellings (106 in total) with associated access & public open space, & erection of 2,500ft² commercial unit (A1/A2/A3/A5 uses) & 2500ft² community building (D1 use).
- 024 At 7.23p.m. Cllr Fernandes entered the room with apologies for lateness.
- 025 There was some discussion and general disappointment at the way the existing buildings had so far been dealt with.
- 026 The Chairman suspended Standing Orders to allow a member of the Public to speak.
- 027 The formal meeting recommenced.
- 028 **IT WAS RESOLVED** that the Council wishes to comment and request that North Kesteven District Council impose a condition that the developer is required to deliver the community building on the site as soon as possible and certainly before the residential development outlined in the application is completed. Vote – Unanimous. The Resolution was carried. NKDC to be notified accordingly.
- IT WAS FURTHER RESOLVED** that Cllr Brealeycook represents the Town Council at the forthcoming meeting of NKDC to put forward this proposal and to speak on this matter only. Vote – Unanimous. The Resolution was carried. NKDC to be notified accordingly.
- 029 8.3 **16/0213/HOUS – 1 Windsor Close, NG34 7NL.** Mr & Mrs Almond. First floor extension over existing garage.
- 030 **IT WAS RESOLVED** that there be no comments to this application. Vote – 12 for and 1 abstention. The Resolution was carried. NKDC to be notified accordingly.
- A.9 ITEMS TO BE NOTED.**
- 031 These were incorrectly listed as item 10 on the supporting paperwork. These items were noted.
- A.10 STC NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**
- 032 10.1 STC Neighbourhood Plan – A written report was circulated and discussed.
- 033 Cllr Coyne plans to attend a Silk Willoughby Parish Meeting to find out if they are interested in becoming involved with the Sleaford Neighbourhood Plan. Cllr Coyne is still waiting on decisions from Rauceby North and South Parish Council, regarding their interest in becoming involved.

- 034 **IT WAS RESOLVED** that:-
1. That the vacant position of Deputy Lead of the Neighbourhood Plan Working Group be offered to Councillor Sean Johnson from Kirkby la Thorpe Parish Council.
 2. That a further place on the Neighbourhood Plan Working Group be made available to another Councillor from Kirkby la Thorpe Parish Council.
 3. That a further Term of Reference be agreed for the Neighbourhood Plan Working Group, that being: "That the Neighbourhood Plan Working Group has the power to co-opt further additional members as and when this may be required, and at the discretion of the Working Group".
- Vote – Unanimous. The Resolution was carried.

- 035 **Cllr Coyne requested that - for the time being all Councillors refrain from publicly announcing that STC and Kirkby la Thorpe Parish Council are working together, until a relationship has been properly formalised and a joint announcement produced.**

- 036 10.2 To consider appointment of two new members to join the NP Working Group. This is covered in proposal in item 10.1 but further volunteers may be needed. The places may be filled by Kirkby la Thorpe but any other volunteers from Sleaford Town Council would be considered.

Project Lead told the meeting that, following an initial survey of members of the public, over 90% were in favour of buying the Town Hall.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked all for attending and closed the meeting at 7.46 p.m.

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