

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

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

PRESENT: Cllr J Mathieson (Chairman)

Cllr H Lorimer (Vice-Chairman)	Cllr G Jackson	Cllr D Vere-Critcher
Cllr D Birks	Cllr T Mayfield	Cllr B Watson
Cllr B Dunbar-Beckford	Cllr D Suiter	
Cllr K Fernandes	Cllr G Titmus	
Cllr M Graves	Cllr J Titmus	

Also Present: Cllr K Dolby, Mrs S McIntyre (Clerk), Mrs M Waddingham (Assistant Clerk), Mr S Beane (Services Supervisor), two representatives from the press and six members of the public.

The Chairman welcomed all present.

A.1 APOLOGIES. There were no apologies.

A.2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST. To receive disclosable pecuniary interests in accordance with the Localism Act 2011. There were none.

A.3 MINUTES. Notes of the meeting held on July 17th 2013 had been circulated.

It was proposed by Cllr D Vere-Critcher and seconded by Cllr T Mayfield that the Notes from July 17th 2013 be accepted as Minutes of that meeting.

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

A.4 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT. There was none.

A.5 CLERK'S REPORT.

- The Clerk informed Cllrs that the reply letter from LCC regarding Library closures will be circulated shortly.
- Cllrs noted that STC are to hold an open public meeting on 28 August 2013, venue to be confirmed.

A.6 NEW OR AMENDED APPLICATIONS FOR DISCUSSION.

13/0498/OUT. Land east of London Road/Stumpcross Hill and west of Southfields. Erection of 1,450 dwellings, two form entry primary school, care home, Local Centre (incorporating 5 no. retail units with offices above, health centre, nursery, community centre and public house) public open space, sports pitches and allotments and associated infrastructure (outline with means of access). Sleaford Property Developments Ltd.

The Chairman explained the application.

There were a number of concerns about this development and these included: the facilities promised should be enforced and a timetable for housing/facilities should be provided and enforced; housing development should not be allowed to overtake the promised facilities, additional vehicles with no extra provision within the traffic model; no Southern bypass.

It was proposed by Cllr M Graves and seconded by Cllr D Vere-Critchler not to support this application until STC is satisfied with the implications of extra traffic has been put through the latest traffic model and there is a firm commitment to timescales of the development – housing and promised facilities - which should be enforced. The housing should not be allowed to overtake the promised facilities.

Vote – 13 for. The Resolution was passed.

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

A.8 NOTIFICATION OF WORKS TO TREES WITHIN A CONSERVATION AREA (For noting only). 49 Boston Road, Sleaford. This was noted.

A.9 NOTIFICATION OF INTENDED WORKS TO TREES WITHIN A CONSERVATION AREA. 23 Eastgate. This was noted.

A.10 EXPENDITURE TRANSACTION APPROVAL LIST NO 12.

It was proposed by Cllr D Vere-Critchler and seconded by Cllr T Mayfield that transaction approval list No. 12 be accepted and the cheques be signed.

Vote – 13 for. The Resolution was passed.

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

A.12 EXPENDITURE TRANSACTION APPROVAL LIST NO 12a. (For noting only)

This was noted.

Councillor K Dolby left the meeting.

A.13 NKDC PLANNING MEETINGS.

A.14 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”.

There was no Resolution.

A.15 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR EXPERT ADVICE. Recommendations 1 and 2 deferred from last week.

It was proposed by Cllr D Vere-Critchler and seconded by Cllr D Suiter that due to Cllr M Allan not being present at this meeting and he was the one who is leading this agenda item; that this item be postponed.

Vote – 7 for; 4 against and 2 abstentions.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.35pm.