

NAILSWORTH TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES of a MEETING of Nailsworth Town Council
held at the Town Hall, Nailsworth
on Tuesday 18th April 2017

Present	Cllr Jonathan Duckworth (Town Mayor) Cllr Paul Francis Cllr Robert Maitland Cllr Sally Millett Cllr Angela Norman Cllr Steve Robinson Cllr Anne Elliott Cllr Myles Robinson
Apologies	Cllr Ron Kerby Cllr Sue Reed

Ref. No				Action
2016/275	Declarations of Interest & Applications for Dispensations			
	There were no declarations of interest or applications for dispensations			
2016/276	Public Questions			
	There were no public questions.			
2016/277	Consideration of planning applications received as follows:			
	CONSULTATION			
	Ref	Detail	Comment	
	a)S.17/0631/HHOLD Prospect House, Rockness Hill, Nailsworth	First floor extension & new garage	No observations	
	b)S.17/0484/LBC Upper Forge, Dunkirk Mills, Inchbrook	Replace window frames, door frame (keeping original door) and glass panes. Insert Velux window in kitchen	No observations	
	c)S.17/0594/HHOLD Haycroft, Spring Hill, Nailsworth	Demolition of existing flat roof rear extension and erection of proposed single storey flat roof rear extension to provide enlarged kitchen	No observations	
	d) S.17/0690/HHOLD 2 - 3 Dunkirk Bank, Theescombe, Amberley	Single storey side/rear extension, installation of new French doors, dormer window, roof light and second floor window, with associated works	This is a very large extension. Detail needs to careful handling to be sympathetic to the original structure and we're not sure this has been achieved.	

	e)S.17/0668/HHOLD 29 Ringfield Close, Nailsworth	Retrospective application for a pre-fabricated garage to the front of the property	This seems to be inappropriate development in a front garden.	
	f)S.17/0723/OUT Land Adjacent 1 Ledgemoor Watledge Road, Nailsworth	Proposed use of garden for C3 residential development	NTC oppose this application for lack of detail on this sensitive site.	
	g)S.17/0638/COU7 Bridge Street Nailsworth	Change of use from office to delicatessen	No observations	
	h)S.17/0698/HHOLD 4 Dark Lane Nailsworth	Rear single storey extension and removal of garage	NTC asks that consideration is given to non-opening and obscured glazing for the side window. Consider a shallower pitch to the roof.	
	INFORMATION			
	i)S.17/0711/DISCON Stable House Station Road, Nailsworth	Discharge of condition 3 (materials) for planning permission S.16/1825/HHOLD	Noted	
	j) S.17/0731/TCA Early Wood Theescombe, Amberley	Re-pollarding sycamore tree to reduce top growth	Noted	
	k) S.17/0700/TCA St Georges Church Church Street, Nailsworth	Holly (T1) and Western Red Cedar(T2) - raise the crown to 4m above ground level in order to improve visibility of the church from the road (A46) and the buildings opposite.	Noted	
2016/278	To confirm the minutes of council meeting held on 4th April 2017 and minutes of the Recreation & Amenities Committee on 4th April 2017 Full Council: proposed Cllr Steve Robinson, seconded Cllr Robert Maitland and agreed unanimously. Recreation & Amenities committee: proposed Cllr Myles Robinson, seconded Cllr Steve Robinson and agreed unanimously.			
2016/279	Matters of Urgency 1. There will be a Town Council election on 4 th May with two candidates. Candidates are Colleen Rothwell (also			

	<p>standing as a County Cllr and Mike Kelly who has previously been a Town Cllr. Cllr Jonathan Duckworth looks forward to working with the successful candidate.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Cllr Jonathan Duckworth raised a point from the Rec & Am Committee. NTC's Standing Orders allows members of public to speak and they can also speak at the discretion of the Chair. This doesn't distinguish between a business person and a member of public. Cllr Myles Robinson acknowledged the point and that discussion on a decision should have been made in without the business person. 3. Cllr Jonathan Duckworth said that with the loss of income from the rate support grant NTC should be aware of making the most of our town's assets and potential income. 4. Cllr Sally Millet commented that she thought the basketball hoop was going to be resited. Cllr Steve Robinson said he would ask the Youth Worker to consult about its use and possible relocation. 5. Aldi stores planning application will be heard again by SDC Development Control Committee on Tuesday 25th April. The Clerk has asked that NTC are given time to speak against it as before. Last time NTC's comments were: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -increased traffic and highways safety -impact on Nailsworth employment outweighing job creation on site -adverse effect on Nailsworth retailers <p>Cllr Jonathan Duckworth said one of NTC's roles is to look at the future of the town and this application may have a short-term benefit to the local area but will do long term damage to Nailsworth's economy. Cllr Angela Norman said the background documents give the impression it's a derelict site but the site plan doesn't include the areas where businesses are still trading and traders are very concerned. One trader (with a loss of 20 jobs) has been evicted and other traders are frightened to speak out. This is an important industrial site. Cllr Myles Robinson observed there's planning permission for one more supermarket already in Stroud (Ebley) and if there's a need, it should be on this site and not a new one.</p> 6. Cllr Jonathan Duckworth said as this was the last Full Council meeting of the civic year, he has found it an interesting year and quite substantial changes. He thanked all cllrs for all time, effort, help and support, and also that of the officers. He asked all cllrs to think about the new council year. Cllr Duckworth suggested that for the May AGM cllrs consider whether a change in Chairs of Committees and Working Parties may or may not help Council evolve. In the light of this he also asked all cllrs to think what they'd like to achieve personally on Council over the next 12 months. 	
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	<p>7. Cllr Angela Norman said that since Newland Homes consulted with NTC they have not offered a transport plan for the Pike Lane development. It's been suggested they'll start work around July. Cllr Myles Robinson suggested this was brought to the attention of SDC Planning as the detailed application hasn't yet been seen.</p> <p>ACTION: Clerk to seek an update on the Transport Plan and detailed application from SDC Planning/Newland Homes</p>	Clerk
2016/280	<p>REPORTS COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORT There was no report from the County Councillor</p>	
2016/281	<p>DISTRICT COUNCILLOR REPORT Cllr Steve Robinson said Tanner's Piece plans are on display in the library.</p> <p>Cllr Myles Robinson and some others received an email to his personal email from District Cllr Norman Kay last night.</p> <p>ACTION: Clerk was asked to remind District Cllr Kay on the procedure for sending reports to NTC in time for meetings</p>	Clerk
2016/282	<p>TOWN MAYOR'S REPORT The report previously circulated was noted.</p>	
2016/283	<p>DEPUTY MAYOR'S REPORT No report was circulated</p>	
2016/284	<p>TOWN CLERK'S REPORT The report previously circulated was noted. ACTION: Cllr Sally Millett and Cllr Jonathan Duckworth will attend the CPRE meeting.</p>	Clerk
2016/285	<p>REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES OF OUTSIDE BODIES Cllr Steve Robinson, as Chair of the Youth Club, asked cllrs to look at the Youth Club's Annual Plan for 2017-18 and suggested it's discussed the AGM in May</p> <p>Cllr Sally Millett (Forest Green Residents Association) reported plants have been ripped out of their planter by the Arkell Centre in the past two weeks. Cllr Sally Millett will speak to FGRA to see if they're willing to fund one more set of plants to go in the planter. Perhaps something prickly! Cllr Steve Robinson suggested speaking to Thorold Cox who supplies the plants for the Town planters.</p>	SM
2016/286	<p>ACCOUNTS a) to agree payments in accordance with the budget as listed in the attached report</p> <p>Proposed Cllr Steve Robinson, seconded Cllr Paul Francis and agreed unanimously</p>	
2016/287	<p>TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE RECREATION & AMENITIES COMMITTEE</p>	

	<p>a) to allow commercial bookings of the tennis courts on two afternoons a week only (between 3pm and 8pm) with a maximum three hours booked at one time</p> <p>The Clerk asked for clarification on whether this is two bookings per coach or in total?</p> <p>After some discussion, Cllr Myles Robinson proposed an amendment to the recommendation: to allow commercial bookings of the tennis courts on Mon-Fri (not Bank Holidays) with a maximum of three hours booked at one time. Each coach can book up to two evenings per weekday.</p> <p>Proposed as an amendment by Cllr Myles Robinson, seconded Cllr Paul Francis. Agreed with one abstention.</p> <p>b) to keep the fees the same as the public pay with the junior rate available 'if juniors are being coached'</p> <p>The Clerk asked for clarification on the rates being charged if juniors are being coached.</p> <p>Cllr Myles Robinson proposed an amendment to the recommendation: all coaching is charged at the adult rate per court per hour, in line with the charges to residents.</p> <p>Proposed as an amendment by Cllr Myles Robinson, seconded by Cllr Steve Robinson. Agreed with one against.</p> <p>c) that commercial hirers must complete hire agreements and provide copies of their public liability insurance certificates.</p> <p>Cllr Steve Robinson asked that both coaches show DBS checks to the Clerk before starting.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
<p>2016/288</p>	<p>UPDATE ON EVICTION OF A ROUGH SLEEPER FROM BUNTING HILL</p> <p>Cllr Jonathan Duckworth advised that last week NTC was given Claim of Possession for Bunting Hill to evict Nick King from the land. The Judge was asked to extend the eviction to all NTC land but this wasn't within his powers. After the eviction, the Groundsman will do fortnightly inspections of NTC land. Cllr Steve Robinson confirmed that other agencies are still helping Nick King and that he has turned down accommodation. The Clerk confirmed that if someone else moved onto any NTC land we would need to go through the same procedure although if notified within 28 days of occupancy this will not take as long (interim possession order). The Clerk also confirmed the cost of the Claim of Possession is currently covered by our insurance.</p>	

2016/289	<p>UPDATE ON ANTISOCIAL BEHAVIOUR IN THE TOWN</p> <p>Over the Easter holidays activity has increased, despite the extra work being done by all agencies.</p> <p>Cllr Jonathan Duckworth said the clear message to residents must be that reporting properly is so important. Reporting on facebook is not reporting. Crimestoppers is available for anonymous reporting.</p> <p>Cllr Steve Robinson said the Police were particularly concerned with the lack of support from Tesco's and the lack of reporting of incidents. The Police have had no support from the regional office of Tesco's and may call for a review of Tesco's licence. Tesco's is putting their staff in a difficult situation.</p>	
2016/290	<p>REPORT ON WWI GREAT WAR CENTENARY REMEMBRANCE GRANT</p> <p>Cllr Jonathan Duckworth drew attention to the HLF grant report. He formally thanked Mike Harvey and the team for all their work on this project. It was a shame the exhibition couldn't last longer as it was an extraordinary piece of work and a very good use of funds from HLF. The HLF grant report will be kept in the Archives.</p>	
2016/291	<p>TO CONSIDER MANAGING NTC'S COMMENTS ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS</p> <p>There seems to be a delay between NTC being notified of planning applications and going live on the SDC website. There is no reference to the applications' deadline.</p> <p>It was proposed that Cllr Jonathan Duckworth discuss with SDC Planning Officers the production of a list suitable for Council planning meeting, based on a decision date rather than application date.</p> <p>Proposed Cllr Steve Robinson seconded Cllr Robert Maitland. Agreed unanimously.</p>	JD

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