

**NAILSWORTH TOWN COUNCIL**

Minutes of a meeting of Nailsworth Town Council  
held at Town Hall, Nailsworth  
on Tuesday 5 July 2016

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

**2016/76 DECLARATION OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR CLLRS' DISPENSATIONS**

Cllr Robert Maitland declared an interest in planning application S.1344/HHOLD. Cllr Myles Robinson declared an interest in planning consent S.15/2063/COU, The Vault Wine Bar/Restaurant, George Street. There were no requests for dispensations.

**2016/77 CONSIDERATION OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED**

***Consultation***

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| a) S.16/1086/HHOLD Lavender Cottage, Rockness Hill<br>Erection of log cabin in rear garden for use as a shed and summer base<br>No observations |
| b) S.1344/HHOLD Linden House, Rockness Hill<br>Single storey extension to the side<br>No observations   |

***Information***

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| c) S.16/1375/TCA The Old Shop, Chestnut Hill<br>Conifer - removal<br>Noted |
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**2016/78 THE VAULT WINE BAR/RESTAURANT (PLANNING CONSENT S.15/2063/COU)**

Cllr Myles Robinson reported that he had received a complaint from a local resident regarding the operation of newly opened wine bar/restaurant in George Street (The Vault). After discussion, it was **agreed** that the Mayor and Cllr Sue Reed would liaise to discuss the terms of The Vault's planning consent with the owners and the planning and licensing authorities (if necessary) and report back.

**2016/79 REPORT OF PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**

The minutes of the Personnel Committee meetings held on 1 June and 28 June were approved and signed.

The recommendations of the Personnel Committee were accepted as follows:

**RESOLVED**

- i) that the Council's current Code of Conduct is acceptable and that no councillor training is needed at the current time;

- ii) that the Council adopts the revised job roles detailed in the Staffing Review (previously circulated) and employs a Deputy Clerk for an initial 20 hours per week (proposed by Cllr Anne Elliott and seconded by Cllr Paul Francis);
  - iii) that the Deputy Clerk be offered a Government Default Pension (NEST) (proposed by Cllr Anne Elliott and seconded by Cllr Robert Maitland);
  - iv) that employment costs for 2016/17 are drawn from reserves from 2015/16 as detailed in the End of Year Accounts (proposed by Cllr Anne Elliott and seconded by Cllr Robert Maitland)
  - v) that Martin Gray is kept on as Project Assistant in the interim (proposed by Cllr Anne Elliott and seconded by Cllr Paul Francis);
  - vi) that the Council ratify the decision to advise ESS of its wish to retain Martin Gray until 8 July the cost of which (approximately £260) was authorised by the Mayor and the RFO in conjunction with the Chair as an emergency payment (proposed by Cllr Anne Elliott and seconded by Cllr Myles Robinson).
- All recommendations carried unanimously.

### **CONFIDENTIALITY**

*That pursuant to Section 1 (subsection 2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following proceedings because publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business transacted.*

**RESOLVED** proposed by Cllr Sally Millett, seconded by Cllr Sue Reed that following a successful probation period the appointment of Richard Blackwell as Town Groundsman be confirmed and that he take up occupancy of Hazelwood Bungalow from 11 July 2016. Carried unanimously.

The Clerk explained that Richard Blackwell was due to go on leave shortly and that it was therefore likely that he would be moving into the bungalow on 20 July.

After discussion, it was **agreed** that the matter of Committee responsibility for Hazelwood Bungalow would be put on the agenda of a future Council meeting.

*Open session was resumed at this point.*

### **2016/80 REPORT ON CHANGES TO LOCAL BUS SERVICES**

Cllr Anne Elliott presented her report, previously circulated, summarising changes to local subsidised bus services in the Stroud area, which were previously operated by Cotswold Green and would affect some Nailsworth routes. The changes were due to commence from 15 August 2016 and information would be published in the local press and in the July edition of Nailsworth News.

The new service would be operated by the charity 'Community Connexions' and Cllr Anne Elliott indicated that she and the Mayor planned to attend the charity's AGM in October.

The information was noted.

### **2016/81 POTENTIAL IMPACT OF THE RESULTS OF THE EU REFERENDUM ON NAILSWORTH**

It was agreed that discussion of the possible implications of the UK's referendum vote to withdraw from the EU would be an agenda item for the next full Council meeting.

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