

NAILSWORTH TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of Nailsworth Town Council
held at Town Hall, Nailsworth
on Tuesday 1 November 2016

Present	Cllr Jonathan Duckworth (Chair) Cllr Anne Elliott Cllr Sue Reed Cllr Paul Francis Cllr Norman Kay Cllr Ron Kerby Cllr Robert Maitland Cllr Sally Millett Cllr Sue Reed
Also in attendance for part of the meeting	5 members of the public
Apologies	Cllr Angela Norman Cllr Myles Robinson Cllr Steve Robinson

2016/151 DECLARATION OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR CLLRS' DISPENSATIONS

There were no declarations of interest or requests for dispensations.

2016/152 CONSIDERATION OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

Consultation

a)	<p>S.16/2152/OUT Daniels Industrial Estate 104 Bath Road, Stroud Outline application for mixed use redevelopment comprising new foodstore, retail unit, up to 50 residential dwellings, vehicular access and parking.</p> <p>OBJECT</p> <p>1. We have serious concerns regarding the extra traffic this development would create particularly in relation to Bath Rd/Dudbridge Rd junction, and the impact this will have on Nailsworth residents using the A46.</p> <p>2. The impact of the retail aspect of the development will result in a drop in footfall in Nailsworth – with a 5% drop Nailsworth would expect a loss of some 42 jobs, 40% of which would be full time. The combined impact of this with the Dudbridge supermarket proposals could lead to a 15% diversion of turnover from Nailsworth causing up to 194 job losses (2014 Nailsworth Chamber of Trade Jobs survey).</p> <p>3. We are seriously concerned about the effect of this development on the main Nailsworth supermarket which is of the utmost importance for the vitality of the town.</p>
b)	<p>S.16/2312/TCA Egypt Mill Stroud Road Removal of Trees from former Railway Embankment.</p> <p>The Mayor explained that details of the above application had arrived too late to be included on that night's agenda. However, since the closing date for comment was imminent, and in the light of local residents' concerns about the application, members agreed to consider the application as an emergency item.</p> <p>Members of the public attending the meeting were invited to speak and outlined various concerns about the proposal, which they felt was not in keeping with the landscape.</p>

After discussion, the Clerk was asked to contact Mr Mark Hemmings, SDC Tree Officer, with the following comments:

1. The application needs to be considered together with all the other TCA applications. We request a formal tree management scheme for all land under ownership.
2. The proposed replacement trees are inappropriate, being non-native.
3. The documentation provided with the application is wholly inadequate.
4. We request a follow-up meeting on site with the Tree Officer and owner.

ACTION: CLERK

Information

c) S.16/2236/TCA Locks Mill, Brewery Lane, 10-12 clumps of Hazel trees - Fell to near ground level Noted
d) S.16/2262/TCA Greystones Minchinhampton T1 Cherry - fell. T2 Horse Chestnut - fell. T3 Copper Beech - reduce by 4m all over Noted
e) S.16/2292/DISCON The Hermitage Scar Hill, Minchinhampton S.16/1695/FUL – Condition 3 Noted

2016/153 UPDATE ON RINGFIELD TENANTS' RELOCATION AND REDEVELOPMENT OF HOUSES

The Clerk reported that Mr Dave Milner SDC had advised her by email that it had been decided he should not attend that night's meeting to give an update and answer questions as it was felt there was nothing significant to report at the present time. Members expressed disappointment with this decision and the Clerk was asked to write a letter to Mr Milner, to be signed by the Mayor and copied to the SDC's Strategic Head of Customer Services and Head of Housing Management, making the following points.

1. We are disappointed Mr Milner did not attend tonight's meeting as we were looking forward to it and had a number of questions for him.
2. We feel the redevelopment process for Ringfield was not handled in the best way for the residents and would like to make representations so that residents in other parts of the district, particularly those in sheltered housing, receive better treatment in the event of a similar situation arising.
3. We would like input into the draft proposals for the redevelopment project in order to influence them, in the best interests of the town. We are seriously concerned that being given sight of Architects Plan's will be too far down the redevelopment chain for us to have any meaningful say in the project. As the elected body for the Town we believe it is vital that we have input into the scheme, at an appropriate stage.

ACTION: CLERK AND MAYOR

2016/154 PROPOSAL TO REPLACE THE TOWN GROUNDSMAN'S HEDGE TRIMMER

The Clerk had circulated a report explaining that the Groundsman's hedge-trimmer had broken and advising that a replacement was needed urgently to deal with hedge-cutting and pruning through the winter months. Three quotations had been sought and two received in time to be detailed in the report, with a third arriving later.

After discussion, it was agreed that authority be delegated to the Clerk, Mayor and Chair of the Recreation and Amenities Committee to make a final decision on which quote to accept, up to a max £914.00. Cllr Ron Kerby agreed to continue to work on developing the register of NTC's assets register which had been started by the Council's temporary project worker.

ACTION: CLERK, MAYOR, CLLR MYLES ROBINSON AND CLLR RON KERBY

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Town Mayor

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Date