



**NAILSWORTH TOWN COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES of a MEETING of Nailsworth Town Council**  
 held at the Town Hall, Nailsworth  
**on Tuesday 5 November 2019**

Present	Cllr Jonathan Duckworth (Chair) Cllr Mike Kelly Cllr Paul Francis Cllr Angela Norman Cllr Robert Maitland Cllr Sue Reed Cllr Steve Robinson
Minutes	Katherine Kearns (Clerk)
Apologies Not present	Cllr Sally Millett, Cllr Emma Bonner Cllr Anne Elliott, Cllr Ron Kerby

Ref. No		Action
<b>2019/116</b>	<b>Verbal introductions and safety briefing</b> Everyone introduced themselves. Cllrs Robert Maitland and Paul Francis volunteered to help Cllr Mike Kelly and Danny in the event of an emergency.	
<b>2019/117</b>	<b>Declarations of Interest &amp; Applications for Dispensations</b> Cllr Steve Robinson was granted a dispensation to speak on Ringfield Close Housing (SDC land).	
<b>2019/118</b>	<b>Matters of Urgency</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>As from 6<sup>th</sup> November council enters the period before a General Election known as purdah. Council needs to be careful to be even-handed during this time. This is the first time this period includes Remembrance Day commemorations and guidance has been issued from SLCC that any parliamentary candidates to be treated as if they're individuals and to not be part of a civic ceremony.</li> </ul>	
<b>2019/119</b>	<b>To confirm minutes of Council meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> October 2019.</b> It was discussed that as Minute 2019/112 resolved that Council focus on its highest priority, the list of Council projects and priorities by brought to the next Council meeting.  It was <b>resolved</b> to approve the Council minutes of 15 <sup>th</sup> October. Cllr Robert Maitland proposed, seconded Cllr Mike Kelly, all in favour.	<b>Clerk</b>



<b>2019/120</b>	Consideration of Planning Applications received as follows:		
	<b>CONSULTATION</b>		
	<b>Ref</b>	<b>Detail</b>	<b>Comment</b>
	a) S.19/2200/LBC. Stokescroft, Cossack Square, Nailsworth,	External land drain, repairs to stone flag floor and sash windows, alterations to stud partitions, opening old doorway.	No observations
	b) S.19/1981/HHOLD. Hybank, Burma Road, Forest Green, Nailsworth	Two storey side extension and porch.	No observations
	c) S.19/2076/HHOLD. 1 Springhill Crescent, Nailsworth	Erection of a steel stove flue on the gable end of the property.	No observations
	d) S.19/1434/FUL.Land At, Ringfield Close, Nailsworth,	Demolition of all existing site structures and the erection of 20 affordable residential properties including access, parking, landscaping and private amenity space.	Council is extremely disappointed that serious concerns NTC raised on this application have not been taken into account. This was an opportunity for SDC to produce an exemplary development, showing what is required following the Climate Emergency declaration. Goldsmith Street in Norwich is an example of what could have been achieved. Comments also sent to SDC Chief Exec and SDC Housing Officer.
e) S.19/2256/LBC. Egypt House, Stroud Road, Nailsworth,	Removal of secondary staircase and reinstatement of 3 principle rooms.	No observations	
<b>CONSULTATION – TREES IN A CONSERVATION AREA</b>			
<b>Ref</b>	<b>Detail</b>	<b>Comment</b>	

**Clerk**



	<p>f) S.19/2204/TCA. The Squirrels, Theescombe, Amberley</p>	<p>2 x Silver Birch to be dismantled to ground level.</p>	<p><i>See statement below.</i></p>	
	<p>g) S.19/2260/TPO. Beaudesert Park School, Box, Stroud, Gloucestershire.</p>	<p>Copper Beech (T987) -Reduce the height of the tree by approx. 4.0m. Reduce the lateral spread of the crown by 2.0m all round. Remove significant dead wood and generally shape.</p>	<p>NTC are pleased to see efforts to extend the life of a tree.</p>	
<p>In the light of Nailsworth Town Council and Stroud District Council's declaration of a Climate Emergency the loss of any tree requires justification and proposals for mitigation, and the District Council should be developing a policy to ensure that no mature tree within the district is lost without clear justification.</p>				
<p><b>2019/121</b></p>	<p><b>To consider a grant application from NailsworthCAN (formerly NCAT) for a community tree planting project on NTC land</b></p> <p>A discussion about the application raised the following points;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- It's not clear how the £750 would be spent</li> <li>- Original discussion concerned tree planting on all Nailsworth land, but this is focussed solely on KGV playing field/NTC land</li> <li>- The aims and purpose are given as to reduce Nailsworth's carbon footprint, but this number of trees will achieve little towards this aim</li> <li>- Increased maintenance responsibility for extra trees</li> <li>- Concerns over the loss of views across the field</li> <li>- Tree planting in the town centre would be better to improve air quality</li> </ul> <p>Council agreed that as there is no urgency to plant trees this season, that considered tree planting plans be discussed by both Environment and Rec &amp; Am committees first.</p> <p>It was <b>resolved</b> to reject the application, pending considered tree planting plans to go through both Environment and Rec &amp; Am committees.</p> <p>Unanimous.</p>			
<p><b>2019/122</b></p>	<p><b>To note NCAT's name change to NailsworthCAN</b> Change noted.</p>			
<p><b>2019/123</b></p>	<p><b>To consider a 3D map for Miles Marling Field at an additional cost of £750</b></p> <p>The Clerk noted that comments have already been made to the designer about fragile parts of the 3D map which might easily break off (e.g. the entrance arch).</p> <p>Cllr Mike Kelly had advised the designer and added that the map needs to have an indication of boundary fences, pathways, blocks of trees, picnic benches, Public Right of Way and entrances.</p>			



	<p>Further, it needed to represent the entire Miles Marling Field and not only the recently improved half. The map needs to be installed at waist height.</p> <p>Council were happy with the design in principle but felt it needed further input from Cllr Mike Kelly before returning to Council.</p> <p>Interest has been expressed in a similar tactile map for the new sensory garden in Market Street.</p>	<p><b>Mike Kelly/Warren</b></p>
<p><b>2019/124</b></p>	<p><b>To confirm the recruitment of a new Deputy Clerk</b> Thanks were extended to all those who worked on the recruitment process for the two posts.</p> <p>It was <b>resolved</b> to</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. To confirm Kirstie Trueman’s appointment as Deputy Clerk, subject to the probationary period and satisfactory references.</li> <li>2. enrol Kirstie Trueman in the Local Government Pension Scheme in accordance with the Deputy Clerk contract.</li> </ol> <p>Proposed Cllr Steve Robinson, seconded Cllr Angela Norman, all in favour</p>	
<p><b>2019/125</b></p>	<p><b>To confirm the recruitment of a new Customer Services and Communications Assistant</b> The recommendation was accepted and it was <b>resolved</b> to</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. confirm Sara Haynes appointment as Customer Services &amp; Communications Assistant, subject to the probationary period</li> <li>2. enrol Sara Haynes in the Local Government Pension Scheme in accordance with the Customer Services &amp; Communications Assistant contract.</li> </ol> <p>Proposed Cllr Mike Kelly, seconded Cllr Robert Maitland, all in favour.</p>	

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