

**NAILSWORTH TOWN COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES of a MEETING of Nailsworth Town Council**  
held at the Town Hall, Nailsworth  
**on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2017**

Present	Cllr Jonathan Duckworth (Town Mayor) Cllr Paul Francis Cllr Sally Millett Cllr Myles Robinson Cllr Ron Kerby Cllr Mike Kelly Cllr Angela Norman Cllr Steve Robinson
Minutes Visitor	Justine Hopkins (Deputy Clerk) PC Peter Lay
Apologies	Cllr Robert Maitland Cllr Sue Reed Cllr Anne Elliott

Ref. No		Action
<b>2017/046</b>	<b>Verbal Introductions</b> Everyone introduced themselves.	
<b>2017/047</b>	<b>Declarations of Interest &amp; Applications for Dispensations</b> There were no declarations of interest or applications for dispensations	
<b>2017/048</b>	<b>Matters of Urgency</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Stroud District Council planning site is unavailable so no planning will be considered at this meeting. The members of public who had come to discuss planning were informed. The following statement is on the website:   <b>Planning application documents unavailable</b>  <b>Please note, when viewing planning applications all associated documents are currently unavailable.</b>   <b>The consultation period on all planning applications appearing on the website from Monday 26th June 2017 will be extended by a week to take account of the problems experienced.</b> </li> <li>• New Lawn S.17/0850/OUT Application and NTC's subsequent planning comments. Nailsworth and Horsley District Councillor Norman Kay had contacted the clerk stating that he did not agree that the affordable housing element should be made available to the Nailsworth CLT with a local allocations policy, although it was not clear if he had consulted residents over this. He suggested there was a "Significant conflict of interest" with paragraph 5 of the planning comments report. Whilst Council had doubts about this view, it was agreed to reconsider the statement. As non-voting Board members of the CLT, Cllr Jonathan</li> </ul>	

	Duckworth and Cllr Steve Robinson left the room. Cllr Myles Robinson took the Chair and a discussion was held to decide if NTC agree to let the statement stand, alter it or remove paragraph 5. It was unanimously agreed to let the statement stand.							
<b>2017/049</b>	<p><b>Consideration of planning applications received as follows:</b></p> <p><b>CONSULTATION</b></p> <p>The following had already been discussed at a previous meeting and a site visit has now been made by two councillors:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Ref</th> <th>Detail</th> <th>Comment</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>c)S.17/1174/HHOLD 9 Orchard Springs Newmarket Road</td> <td>Retrospective application for a summer house and a separate access platform in the rear of 9 Orchard Springs</td> <td>No comment</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Ref	Detail	Comment	c)S.17/1174/HHOLD 9 Orchard Springs Newmarket Road	Retrospective application for a summer house and a separate access platform in the rear of 9 Orchard Springs	No comment	
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<b>2017/050</b>	<p><b>To confirm minutes of council meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> June 2017</b></p> <p>The minutes were approved. Proposed Cllr Myles Robinson, seconded Cllr Paul Francis and agreed unanimously.</p> <p>The Deputy Clerk gave an update on the MUGA. GCC Asset management have met with Lightmain two weeks ago on site and are awaiting the quote. Then NTC will decide to use this supplier or retender. Cllr Myles Robinson asked if we can give authority to the Mayor and Clerk to accept the tender if the quote is within budget as there is a tight timescale. Cllr Jonathan Duckworth proposed that if it is within budget and still the lowest quote then the Mayor and Clerk can authorise. Seconded Cllr Myles Robinson, all in favour.</p>							
<b>2017/051</b>	<p><b>To receive an update from PC Peter Lay on the town's anti-social behaviour</b></p> <p>PC Lay gave some background information on the Anti-Social Behaviour issues that the Town has suffered during the past year and the following was discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ASB from young offenders-Criminal liability starts at age 10, Nailsworth's offenders start at 13 and range in age up to 18. There is no action that can be taken against the parents but there are child abduction warning notices that can be issued against a person of adult age which makes it an offence to associate with the nominated child. These have been served in relation to one minor and has helped in reducing ASB and the frequency of missing person reports for this child. It has helped to disrupt the social dynamics of the group responsible for ASB.</li> <li>PC Lay has a colleague from Gloucestershire Youth Offending Service who would be willing to come and talk</li> </ul>							

	<p>NTC through the judicial system for under 18's which is very different than for adults. This will be arranged for a future meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Low level crime is treated in a low level way by the Criminal Justice System and under 18's are given multiple amounts of 'benefit of the doubt'. The youth panel look at the individual and say they want to keep this child out of the court system and they put things in place to keep them in check.</li> <li>• SDC have a strong ASB remit making use of the Neighbourhood Warden System and CCTV. However, the CCTV in Nailsworth is connected via the 4G mobile network and extracting data is very time consuming due to the download times. At one point the reported crimes were coming in so fast that PC Lay barely had time to deal with and record them. Every aspect of the offender's life is looked at and when the parents become involved the attitudes tend to change. Between February and April there were reports every day, this has now reduced by 80-90%. Since 26<sup>th</sup> May there have been just 4 incidents.</li> <li>• The multi-agency meeting was attended by 20 people from various agencies and has now been taken over by a professional group including social workers and inspectors. Cllr Jonathan Duckworth and Cllr Steve Robinson are looking at a framework for NTC to follow if this kind of ASB starts again.</li> <li>• Restorative Justice: This is the next step and solution, to bring those who have caused harm in communication with those who have been harmed. PC Lay is planning to map out a programme and is awaiting a case worker. If we get this right we will have a permanent solution and these young offenders can be role models for others. It is however a very awkward and painful experience for those who have caused harm and those which have been harmed and therefore requires expert preparation.</li> <li>• Shops selling alcohol: Tesco is the biggest problem and PC Lay is awaiting a meeting with the Regional Manager. They have a policy only to verbally ban people. If theft occurs on a verbal ban there is the potential in court that it will only be treated as a theft, as opposed to the actual offence of burglary, because there is no written evidence of a civil ban having taken place. Morrisons and the Co-op have been excellent in cooperating with the police in terms of issuing civil banning letters to perpetrators.</li> <li>• Recent MUGA problems: This is for the Neighbourhood warden to investigate as it is not criminal behaviour.</li> </ul> <p>PC Lay then summarised: We are seeing an improvement in quality of life, we still have issues with glass, litter, alcohol, etc but the scale of the problem is no longer there.</p>	<b>Clerk</b>
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	<p>PC Peter Lay mentioned the value of the work of Tracy Young and the team of Youth Workers working with the group concerned with the town's anti-social behaviour.</p> <p>Cllr Jonathan Duckworth thanked PC Lay.</p>	
<b>2017/052</b>	<p><b>To consider a public consultation event for KGV Extension Field</b></p> <p>This has come to full council as there is not a Rec &amp; Am meeting before the event. Recommendations:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1.To approve a consultation event, Saturday 22 July run by ADW</li> <li>2.To agree an initial sum of up to £2,000 for consultation, fees and investigations to be taken from the £12,000 Section 106 money.</li> </ol> <p>Cllr Myles Robinson proposed recommendations 1 &amp; 2, seconded by Cllr Ron Kerby, all in favour.</p>	<b>Clerk to advise</b>
<b>2017/053</b>	<p><b>Follow up on 2016 Staff Review</b></p> <p>The report was discussed and it was agreed to refer it to the Personnel Committee and for the Committee to appoint a Working Party to conduct the staff review. The WP to report back to the Council at the first September Council Meeting.</p> <p>Proposed: Cllr Steve Robinson, Seconded: Cllr Angela Norman, all in favour.</p>	
<b>2017/054</b>	<p><b>To consider a report from Neighbourhood Plan Working Party</b></p> <p>The report was discussed and option 1 was agreed;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. RM, JD,MK to meet SDC planners and produce a further report clarifying options.</li> </ol> <p>Proposed by Cllr Ron Kerby, Seconded by: Cllr Sally Millett, all in favour.</p>	

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