

NAILSWORTH TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES of a MEETING of Nailsworth Town Council held at the Town Hall, Nailsworth on Tuesday 1st August 2017

Present	Cllr Jonathan Duckworth (Town Mayor) Cllr Paul Francis Cllr Robert Maitland Cllr Sally Millett Cllr Anne Elliott Cllr Myles Robinson Cllr Steve Robinson Cllr Angela Norman Cllr Ron Kerby Cllr Sue Reed Cllr Mike Kelly
Minutes	Katherine Kearns (Clerk)
Apologies	None

Ref. No		Action									
2017/067	Verbal Introductions Everyone introduced themselves. There were no members of public present.										
2017/068	Declarations of Interest & Applications for Dispensations There were no declarations of interest or applications for dispensations.										
2017/069	Matters of Urgency Cllr Jonathan Duckworth reported that subsequent to the last meeting, County Cllr Steve Robinson has pledged £1,000 towards Home-Start funding. This is initially for one year but he will see if it can be for three years. Cllr Duckworth wished to thank the County Cllr for this contribution which will reduce the financial impact on NTC. This will be formalised at the next Full Council meeting.	JD									
2017/070	Consideration of planning applications received as follows: CONSULTATION <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 25%;">Ref</th> <th style="width: 30%;">Detail</th> <th style="width: 45%;">Comment</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>a) S.17/1481/FUL Land Near Gigg Mill, Old Bristol Road</td> <td>Erection of proposed first floor dwelling</td> <td>Nailsworth Town Council strongly objects to this application on an important industrial employment site. We are seriously concerned this could be the creeping loss of this industrial area. The mix of residential and industrial use is incompatible. We also note the loss of parking provision.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>b) S.17/1493/HHOLD & S.17/1496/LBC Chapel Barn, Tetbury Lane</td> <td>Replacement of asbestos roof cladding; installation of 2</td> <td>NTC is unable to comment fully until the status of this barn is clarified as it's not clear whether the change of</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Ref	Detail	Comment	a) S.17/1481/FUL Land Near Gigg Mill, Old Bristol Road	Erection of proposed first floor dwelling	Nailsworth Town Council strongly objects to this application on an important industrial employment site. We are seriously concerned this could be the creeping loss of this industrial area. The mix of residential and industrial use is incompatible. We also note the loss of parking provision.	b) S.17/1493/HHOLD & S.17/1496/LBC Chapel Barn, Tetbury Lane	Replacement of asbestos roof cladding; installation of 2	NTC is unable to comment fully until the status of this barn is clarified as it's not clear whether the change of	
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		roof lights, new first floor stairs, fire screen and doors	use from agricultural to residential has been agreed previously. The confusion between documents in the two applications makes it doubly difficult to comment.	
	c) S.17/1268/HHO 3 Park Road	Single storey rear extension	Already commented on	
	d) S.17/S.17/1605/HHOLD Woodside Cottage, Star Hill, Forest Green	Two storey extension to property (revised following permitted application S.16/0346/HHOLD)	No observations	
	e) S17/S.17/1611/HHOLD The Retreat, Shortwood	Demolition of existing store, single storey rear extension and associated minor alterations to existing kitchen. Relocation of garden shed and works to garden	No observations	
	f) S17/S.17/1475/HHOLD Trevarrack, Shortwood	Installation of roof lights reconstruction of conservatory to form kitchen	No observations	
	g) S17/S.17/1328/HHOLD Millside, Stroud Road	Redesign, remodel and extend existing property	It's unclear from the drawing how many car parking spaces will be provided. NTC would like this checked to prevent any parking on the Highways land outside the property.	
	h) S17/S.17/1543/HHOLD Cave Cottage, Rockness Hill	Demolition and replacement of garden office with new timber garden studio, double garage and garden storage area	The plans should show both the existing house and the proposed studio outlined in red. NTC requests that there is a firm condition that the new studio/office can only be used as such (not residential) and remain ancillary to Cave Cottage.	
	i)S17/S.17/1540/HHOLD Eastview, Burma Road, Forest Green	Proposed single storey rear extension	No observations	
2017/071	To confirm minutes of council meeting held on 18 July 2017 2017/064: should read seconded by Cllr Sue Reed. 2017/060 to clarify, SR in action column refers to Cllr Sue Reed Proposed by Cllr Ron Kerby seconded Cllr Steve Robinson and approved unanimously.			
2017/072	To consider response to SDC's consultation on Dog Control Orders			

	<p>Cllr Robert Maitland was pleasantly surprised by the report which balances concerns of dog owners with non-dog owners.</p> <p>NTC support this very good consultation RM Proposed Cllr Robert Maitland seconded Cllr Sally Millett and agreed unanimously.</p>	Clerk
2017/073	<p>To approve use of Town Improvements budget for new Town Signs</p> <p>The Clerk was asked to ask the contractor for a timetable to carry out this work.</p> <p>Proposed Cllr Steve Robinson seconded Cllr Sue Reed. 10 in favour and 1 abstention.</p>	Clerk
2017/074	<p>Grant applications: Nailsworth Silver Band; Nailsworth and District Twinning Association; GL Communities District Council:</p> <p>The three grant applications were discussed. Cllr Myles Robinson said Nailsworth Silver Band are a terrific asset to the town. Option 1 was agreed: to donate £500 to Nailsworth Silver Band Cllr Ron Kerby proposed Cllr Myles Robinson seconded and was agreed unanimously.</p> <p>Nailsworth Twinning Association: Cllr Steve Robinson declared an interest as he's still a member of the Town Twinning Association. There was some discussion about the advantages of Town Twinning at a time when connections to mainland Europe are important and its status as a civic activity. This is particularly important as next year is the centenary of WWI. Cllr Jonathan Duckworth said this was the kind of thing NTC's grant policy was for; small local organisations asking for a relatively small amount of money and giving greater impact, rather than larger organisations where the funding is swallowed up. He said it was not for shoring up cuts to services. He would like to see the Twinning Association reach out to other residents and look for new members.</p> <p>The Clerk mentioned a precedent was set at the end of last year in awarding a grant from the next year's budget. As the Town Twinning funding would not be needed by the group until next year a similar approach could be taken. Cllr Jonathan Duckworth suggested this civic activity needed to be formalised and taken from the Civic Fund budget heading rather than the grant budget heading. He suggested NTC put £500 every year in the budget specifically for Twinning. It was proposed to commit to donating £1,000 to Nailsworth Twinning Association in 2018/19 and at budget time this year determine how this is allocated. Proposed by Cllr Robert Maitland seconded Cllr Ron Kerby, 9 in favour, 1 abstention 1 non-voter.</p>	Clerk

	<p>GL Communities: Cllr Sally Millett explained the work of the GL Communities debt advisor however she felt that this was not an appropriate use of NTC's grants. Cllr Angela Norman supported Cllr Millett's comments and added that this organisation has been successful in getting grant applications from other organisations in the past.</p> <p>After further discussion cllrs also expressed their disappointment in the lack of information presented in the application.</p> <p>The Clerk was asked to respond to GL Communities that while NTC fully support the work they do and recognise its importance, they don't feel this is an appropriate use of NTC's grant fund and does not fit with NTC's grant policy. NTC recommend they look elsewhere for funding.</p>	Clerk
2017/075	<p>Grant monitoring report: Allsorts 2016-2017</p> <p>Nailsworth Festival monitoring report: Cllr Sally Millett hopes the festival succeeds in making changes for next year. Cllr Sue Reed was disappointed in the review as it doesn't include an evaluation and Cllr Jonathan Duckworth agreed Council needs to see a breakdown of where the money goes.</p> <p>Cllr Robert Maitland suggested a modification to NTC's grant monitoring form to record what benefits have stemmed from the grant specifically which wouldn't otherwise have happened.</p> <p>Cllr Jonathan Duckworth agreed the festival could benefit from a revamp as it's an important activity in the town.</p> <p>Council resolved to review the grant policy at a later date.</p>	

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