

NAILSWORTH TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES of a MEETING of Nailsworth Town Council held at the Town Hall, Nailsworth on Tuesday 18th July 2017

Present	Cllr Jonathan Duckworth (Town Mayor) Cllr Sally Millett Cllr Anne Elliott Cllr Myles Robinson Cllr Steve Robinson Cllr Angela Norman Cllr Ron Kerby Cllr Sue Reed Cllr Mike Kelly Katherine Kearns (Clerk)
Minutes	Katherine Kearns (Clerk)
Apologies	Cllr Paul Francis Cllr Robert Maitland

Ref. No		Action
2017/055	Verbal Introductions Everyone introduced themselves, also the members of public in attendance (5)	
2017/056	Declarations of Interest & Applications for Dispensations Cllrs Steve Robinson and Sue Reed said that as District cllrs they would leave the room for the discussion of the Tanner's Piece planning application. After discussion about item 11, coming from GCC cuts to services, County Cllr Steve Robinson said that he would leave the room for that discussion.	
2017/057	Consideration of planning applications received as follows: CONSULTATION <i>*District Cllrs Steve Robinson and Sue Reed left the room for consideration of S17/1306/FUL Tanners Piece</i> S17/1306/FUL Tanners Piece demolition of 8no bungalows and erection of 11no flatted units. Residents from Park Road spoke in detail about their objections to this planning application. After listening to their comments, the Council formed the following response to be submitted to SDC Planning: NTC feel the development is oversized and the building is overbearing. It is out of character with the surrounding lower level buildings and in the use of materials. Design colours should be in keeping with the buildings surrounding the site. It should be noted that a previous	

	<p>application in Park Road Crescent was turned down on the grounds of height.</p> <p>There are what appear to be inaccuracies in the elevations, which make it more difficult to assess the significant impact the site's level changes and heights will have on the neighbouring properties. Neighbouring property Brooklyn will be severely overlooked both into their garden and property. Most significantly Brooklyn will suffer a loss of privacy due to the development's car park being set at a level several metres higher than their garden. Their garden will be overlooked by users of the car park and free access to the car park by the public walking in off Park Road Crescent. The impact of noise from the car park is also a consideration.</p> <p>NTC are further concerned with the number of parking spaces (11) considering some of the flats will be multi-occupancy and there are is one visitor space.</p> <p>Council considered that traffic and parking considerations should include the likelihood of future development of SDC Park Road sites. Access to and from the Crescent is difficult and parking on pavements makes the used of electric buggies difficult.</p> <p>Residents are also concerned about the communication regarding this development, having not had notices or letters about the application.</p> <p>The Council asked the Clerk to request that this decision be called in for discussion by SDC's Development Control Committee as it is a significant development for the town and has attracted a lot of public interest.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="416 1384 1169 1877"> <thead> <tr> <th>Ref</th> <th>Detail</th> <th>Comment</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>a)S.17/1252/HHOLD Damery House, Spring Hill</td> <td>Erection of treehouse at end of garden</td> <td>No observations provided the houses behind site have been informed.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>b) S.17/1306/FUL 1 Tanners Piece, Park Rd Crescent</td> <td>Demolition of 8no single storey bungalows and erection of 11no flatted units</td> <td>Objection. See statement above</td> </tr> <tr> <td>c) S.17/1192/HHOLD 7 Worley Ridge</td> <td>Single storey extension</td> <td>No observations</td> </tr> <tr> <td>d) S.17/1268/HHOLD 3 Park Road</td> <td>Single storey rear extension</td> <td>No observations</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Ref	Detail	Comment	a)S.17/1252/HHOLD Damery House, Spring Hill	Erection of treehouse at end of garden	No observations provided the houses behind site have been informed.	b) S.17/1306/FUL 1 Tanners Piece, Park Rd Crescent	Demolition of 8no single storey bungalows and erection of 11no flatted units	Objection. See statement above	c) S.17/1192/HHOLD 7 Worley Ridge	Single storey extension	No observations	d) S.17/1268/HHOLD 3 Park Road	Single storey rear extension	No observations	Clerk
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2017/058	<p>To confirm minutes of council meeting held on 4 July 2017 and minutes of the Environment Committee held on 4 July 2017</p> <p>Full Council:</p>																

	<p>It was noted that minute 2017/052 was proposed by Cllr Myles Robinson and seconded by Cllr Ron Kerby. Minute 2017/053 was proposed by Cllr Steve Robinson and seconded by Cllr Angela Norman.</p> <p>Cllr Steve Robinson added that 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>Proposed by Cllr Myles Robinson, seconded by Cllr Ron Kerby and agreed unanimously.</p> <p>Environment committee: Proposed by Cllr Mike Kelly, seconded by Cllr Angela Norman and agreed unanimously.</p>	Deputy Clerk
2017/059	<p>Matters of Urgency</p> <p>1. Minute 2017/051 (Full Council 4 July 2017) ASB: whilst the Council is pleased that progress been made in resolving the anti-social behaviour, we are concerned the problem is still there and still needs policing and multi-agency input. We should remain vigilant even if the problem seems to be getting better for the time being.</p> <p>Cllr Ron Kerby did not agree with PC Peter Lay's advice to confront the young people. Cllr Sally Millett supported this and expressed concern about victimisation of residents. Residents do take community action to clear up but need to be wary of confronting people.</p> <p>The Clerk was asked to write to PC Lay with the above statement and remind him to pass on his contact in the Youth Offending Service with a view to a future presentation. Also, to enquire of progress with getting a case worker for Restorative Justice.</p> <p>With reference to the weekend graffiti attack in Forest Green, Cllr Steve Robinson said he had contacted PC Peter Lay and CCTV footage in the area will be reviewed. Overall, there is an improvement and the ASB level is much like normal summer activity.</p> <p>2. SDC Heritage Strategy consultation: Cllrs were asked to volunteer to examine this document. The deadline is 15th September.</p> <p>Cllrs Myles Robinson and Mike Kelly volunteered and will bring comments to the 5 Sept meeting.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>MK/MR</p>
2017/060	<p>Reports: County Councillor's Report</p>	

	<p>County Cllr Steve Robinson is meeting an officer from Amey about Lengthman's works for August. Cllrs added to a list of works to be done on footpaths.</p> <p>20mph group meets next week. CCllr Steve Robinson is still waiting for information back from a meeting about road closures. Cllr Jonathan Duckworth said the TRO for the 20mph zone has gone on for a year and a half.</p> <p>Cllr Ron Kerby has contacted Amey twice about an overhanging hedge at Moffatt Rd. CCllr Steve Robinson resolved to bring it to their attention.</p> <p>CCllr Steve Robinson has had several complaints about overhanging vegetation on the cycle track. There is ongoing concern about a move to make the cycletrack a bridleway. CCllr Steve Robinson said he wouldn't be in favour of this.</p> <p>There was a discussion about hospitals and concern about the number of closures at Stroud Hospital due to staff shortages.</p> <p>District Council: District Cllr Sue Reed said that following the fire at Highwood Court, Forest Green, residents had written about the very poor conditions of the flats. DCllrs Sue Reed and Steve Robinson and MP David Drew met with residents and SDC Officers, and were shocked by the conditions. A team from SDC have organised a meeting with senior officers from Sanctuary Housing Association on 25th July. SDC Environmental Health and the Fire Service are involved.</p> <p>The Council asked the Clerk to send the following statement to Steve Lydon, Leader of SDC:</p> <p>We are distressed to hear about the conditions inside the properties and fully support the action of the District Cllrs in working with the relevant bodies to resolve this. In the light of recent fire in multi-occupancy block, in Grenfell Tower, we are concerned that this building conforms to all relevant safety legislation. We would like to confirm that the problems with refuse collection are also addressed.</p> <p>DCllr Steve Robinson confirmed SDC has checked all their building and there is no aluminium cladding on them.</p> <p>Cllr Jonathan Duckworth said some information had come to some cllrs from District Cllr Norman Kay prior to the meeting. He stressed that the correct method for</p>	<p>Clerk</p>
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	<p>putting an item onto the Council agenda was to submit it to the Clerk in time for the papers to be sent out. Cllr Kay is aware of this, having been an NTC councillor. Alternatively, District and County Councillors can attend in person for a short slot on the agenda.</p> <p>Cllr Steve Robinson noted that District Cllr Kay had mentioned car parking charges, but that this was an item in progress by SDC. All affected Parish and Town Councils will be invited to meet over SDC's proposals. Cllr Jonathan Duckworth said that he was aware a meeting was likely and that most importantly it was for Nailsworth Town Council to decide on their approach to the matter. It was not for District Councillors to attempt to influence NTC in the way that Cllr Kay's email had tried.</p>	
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	<p>Reports from Representatives of Outside bodies Cllr Sue Reed attended GAPTC AGM last week. There's a new post at Gloucestershire Archives (Sally Middleton). At some point in 2018 the Archives will ask if Town Councils want to meet at their new heritage centre.</p> <p>GAPTC's leader introduced the chair of NALC. Their focus for the next 5 years will be economic development, health & wellbeing and building support in active communities.</p> <p>Stroud TC put forward a proposal which was agreed, for parishes to support active travel between areas, and for neighbours to share cycling and walking infrastructure. Cllr Sue Reed requests the Environment committee contact STC to connect volunteers.</p> <p>Kingswood PC wished to take issue with GCC not making planning comments on anything less than 5 dwellings.</p> <p>In future, Cllr Sue Reed will ask for NTC's contributions to agenda items and questions for GAPTC meetings.</p> <p>GAPTC's subscription will increase by 1% in 2018.</p>	Cllr Sue Reed
2017/061	<p>To consider recommendations of the Environment Committee: Purchase of new PC for archives: the Clerk reported the price has increased to £620. Proposed Cllr Ron Kerby, seconded Cllr Steve Robinson and agreed unanimously.</p>	Clerk
2017/062	Accounts – list of payments	

	<p>In response to a question from Cllr Angela Norman the Clerk confirmed that the TIC sold maps and books and the income was recorded under the TIC's budget.</p> <p>Proposed Cllr Ron Kerby, seconded Cllr Mike Kelly and agreed unanimously.</p> <p>It was proposed that payments for August wait for approval at the 5 September Full Council meeting.</p> <p>Proposed Cllr Ron Kerby, seconded Cllr Steve Robinson and agreed unanimously.</p>	Clerk
2017/063	<p>To consider a revised quotation for the Forest Green MUGA</p> <p>Cllr Myles Robinson and Cllr Steve Robinson supported the recommendation. After a discussion about the reasons for the decision, option 1 was agreed: to approach Grimshaw Kinnear Ltd to requote.</p> <p>Proposed Cllr Myles Robinson, seconded Cllr Steve Robinson and agreed unanimously.</p>	Clerk
2017/064	<p>To consider business plan and funding proposal from Home-Start</p> <p><i>*County Cllr Steve Robinson left the room for this discussion</i></p> <p>Cllr Jonathan Duckworth thanked Home-Start for this comprehensive report. The Clerk confirmed that NTC has already given Home-Start a grant (£2012 from last year's and this year's budget).</p> <p>Cllr Angela Norman said this could reap longer term benefits to our less advantaged community. Year on year NTC funds more advantaged events. Cllr Sue Reed reminded the Council that NTC have been involved in many meetings and multi-agency work to support the community and strongly recommended NTC support this for 3 years so that capacity can be built.</p> <p>Cllr Jonathan Duckworth said NTC need to be mindful that we are in this situation because GCC took away funding from Children's Services. He advised NTC ask our County Cllr to put forward £2,500 of his funding as this is a County made problem. Cllr Mike Kelly said NTC should review its contribution every year.</p> <p>After considerable discussion Cllr Sally Millett suggested NTC supports Home-Start for one year (option 2) and ask the County Cllr to support this service next year.</p> <p>Cllr Myles Robinson proposed Option 1: to give £2,500 per annum over three years. Proposed Cllr Myles Robinson, seconded Cllr Sue Reed. When put to the vote, 5 in favour 3 against.</p>	

	Motion carried to support Home-Start for 3 years at £2,500 per annum.	Clerk
2017/065	<p>To consider a representative from NTC for Stroud Hospital League of Friends</p> <p>It was noted no reports had been received for some time from this organisation. Cllr Sally Millett said she would investigate what was involved and could be interested. Cllr Myles Robinson offered to be 'in reserve' to be the representative. Cllr Jonathan Duckworth confirmed the League of Friends very important to the hospital.</p>	SM
2017/066	<p>To receive a report from Play Gloucestershire on their work in 2016</p> <p>In response to a question from Cllr Angela Norman the Clerk confirmed NTC have agreed to provide funding of £2,310 for 2017/18</p> <p>The Clerk was asked to thank Play Gloucestershire for their report and send the following statement: NTC recognise and appreciate the work that Play Gloucestershire do in Forest Green and this work is enormously important to the community.</p>	Clerk

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