

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF TRING TOWN COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, THE MARKET HOUSE, HIGH STREET, TRING ON MONDAY 30th JANUARY 2017 AT 7.30 p.m.

Present: Councillors: M. Hicks
J. Bowden
Mrs O. Conway
H. Grace
Mrs P. Hearn
S. Hearn
P. Hills
N. A. Hollinghurst
N. Nutkins
R. Ransley
C. Townsend
G. Wilkins

Also Present: Mr M. Curry, Town Clerk
Mrs D Slade, Deputy Clerk

5 Members of the public

18587. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

All Members present.

18588. TO MAKE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Mrs Hearn & Cllr Mrs Conway explained that they would not take part in item 18593 as they are members of Dacorum Borough Council's Development Control Committee.

The following councillors declared interests in particular organisations and took no part in discussions specifically related to them when considering matters in item 18598:

Cllr Mrs P. Hearn – Tring Market Auctions, Tring Youth Project
Cllr S. Hearn - Tring Market Auctions, Tring Together
Cllr Mrs O. Conway - Tring Youth Project

18589. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 19th DECEMBER 2016

RESOLVED: To accept the Minutes and for the Mayor to sign them.

18590. MATTERS OF REPORT FROM THE MINUTES

There were no matters of report.

18591. TO RECEIVE SUCH COMMUNICATIONS AS THE TOWN MAYOR MAY DESIRE TO LAY BEFORE THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

Functions that were attended since the last meeting of the Council in his civic role as Mayor:

24th December 2016 Christmas Eve carol concert in Forge Car Park. The Mayor was very pleased with the number of people attending and the quality of the singing

18592. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Standing Orders were **suspended by resolution** at 7.35pm.

A neighbour of 4/03281/16/FUL spoke of his objection to the application on the following grounds, concluding that the proposed change of use was the wrong type of development for the site, which is in Tring Conservation Area:

- The change of use and the hours of opening would generate noise at anti-social hours
- Whilst there are double yellow lines outside the property these are regularly ignored at the adjacent fish & chip shop causing obstruction and adding to the noise as car engines are left running whilst waiting
- The application gives no details of any extraction system

The applicant (4/03487/16/FHA) explained the reasons for the application.

A neighbour explained his objection to application 4/03501/16/TEL on the grounds of noise based on his experience of the existing installation. Whilst he acknowledged the noise was masked when the road was busy, the noise was obtrusive at other times especially the evenings.

A neighbour of application 4/02733/16/LDP objected to the application on the grounds of loss of light/overshadowing

Standing orders were **resumed by resolution** at 7.40pm.

18593. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Council considered planning applications which had been referred by Dacorum Borough Council for observation of this authority. It was decided to request the Local Planning Authority to take the following comments into consideration when determining the under-mentioned applications.

PLANNING REF. NO.

4/03487/16/FHA Demolition of existing rear extension. Construction of two storey side extension and single storey rear extension at 30 Park Road, Tring HP23 6BN for Mr Colin Baker

The council recommended **no objection** to this application

4/03501/16/TEL Proposed Base Station - 1 No. 12.5M Elara monopole with 3 No. shrouded antennas, 1 No. alifabs lancaster equipment cabinet and ancillary development at land at Tring Park Cricket Ground, Station Road, Tring HP23 5NG for CTIL Ltd, Telefonica UK Ltd and Vodafone Ltd

The council **noted** this application with a comment concerning the potential noise in low traffic periods and the need for periodic checks to ensure compliance with noise standards

- 4/00020/17/LDP Rear facing dormer window and front roof lights at 33 Longfield Road, Tring HP23 4DG for Mr and Mrs Bedford
The council recommended **no objection** to this application
- 4/02733/16/LDP Two storey rear extension, front porch, garage conversion at 4 Longfield Gardens, Tring HP23 4DN for Mr Jonathan Roberts
The council recommended **no objection** to this application but with a comment drawing the Case Officer's attention to the possibility of overshadowing/loss of light
- 4/03281/16/FUL Change of use from beauty salon (sui generis) to A5 at 39 Frogmore Street, Tring HP23 5AU for Ms S Neighbour
The council recommended **refusal of** this application on the following grounds: The area is already very busy because of existing takeaways; illegal parking and parking damaging to the pavement with a lack of enforcement; no details on venting and odour prevention
- 4/00084/17/FHA Front extension, garage conversion and internal alterations at Noddfa, Christchurch Road, Tring HP23 4EF for Mr and Mrs J Beasant
The council recommended **no objection** to this application

LIST OF DECISIONS BY DACORUM BOROUGH COUNCIL IN RESPECT OF RECENT PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- 4/02942/16/CON Decision made to install electronic communications apparatus/development ancillary to radio equipment housing. To replace 3no. antennas for 3no. 19.55m agl and existing external cabin upgrade at 2A Icknield Way Industrial Estate, Tring HP23 4JX
- 4/03043/16/LBC Permission granted for removal of internal lightweight studwork partitions. Installation of secondary glazing. Repairs and redecorations. Replacement of kitchenette, WC and wash hand basin at 10 High Street, Tring HP23 5AH
- 4/03182/16/LDP Permission granted for loft conversion with rear dormer at 28 Gannel, Tringford Road, Tring HP23 4JL
- 4/03084/16/FHA Permission granted for second storey side extension at 94 Miswell Lane, Tring HP23 4EX
- 4/03370/16/TCA Raise no objection to works to trees at alleyway rear of 8,9 and 10 Harrow Yard, Akeman Street, Tring HP23 6AA
- 4/03381/16/TCA Raise no objection to works to trees at 3 West Lodge, Park Road, Tring HP23 6BU

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| 4/03054/16/FHA | Permission granted for ground floor front elevation infill extension and 2 storey side extension at 2 Goldfield Road, Tring HP23 4BA |
| 4/02890/16/FHA | Permission granted for single storey rear extension at 3 Morefields, Tring HP23 5EU |
| 4/03233/16/FHA | Permission granted for single storey side extension at 2 Longfield Gardens, Tring HP23 4DN |
| 4/01762/16/FHA | Permission granted for first floor rear extension over existing ground floor at 52 Wingrave Road, Tring, Herts HP23 5HE |
| 4/02070/16/LDE* | Permission refused for the existing use of this building is steel manufacturing at Silk Mill Industrial Estate, Brook Street, Tring HP23 5EF |
| 4/02968/16/FUL | WITHDRAWN Second floor rear dormer, front velux window at 18 Western Road, Tring HP23 4BB |

Any application marked with an * was contrary to the Town Council's recommendation.

RESOLVED: To note the planning decisions of Dacorum Borough Council

18594. TEMPORARY TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDERS

Four permanent orders have been received:

- Formal consultation on 20mph Zone:
- Waiting restrictions: Beggars Lane
- Temporary road closures: Chapel Street & Albert Street
- TRO10045: Beaconsfield Road, Brookfield Road, Elizabeth Drive, St Peters Hill

Councillor Hollinghurst in his role as County Councillor explained the background to the orders, particularly a pending second 20mph zone including Christchurch Road, where traffic calming measures are necessary before it can be included.

RESOLVED: To note the temporary traffic regulation orders presented

18595. STANDING COMMITTEES

The minutes of the following meetings were considered:

- (i) Planning Committee held on 16th January 2017
- (ii) Finance & Policy Committee held on 23rd January 2017

RESOLVED: To receive and adopt the minutes listed above.

18596. OUTSIDE BODIES

Members gave reports of meetings attended when representing the Council:

Cllr Wilkins attended a meeting of the Tring & District Local History & Museum Society. He also reported the lights across Pound Meadow are now working

- Cllr Grace attended a meeting of Tring Sports Forum. He was impressed with the attendance. He was also surprised at the level of charges some clubs have to pay to access facilities
- Cllr S Hearn with Cllr Hicks and the Assistant Warden cleared ground and planted trees at Duckmore Lane allotments. Members thanked them for their work. He also reported the funeral of Peggy Cooper aged 102.
- Cllr Hills Attended the Mayor of Dacorum's visit to Tring Community Centre with Cllrs Bowden and Ransley
- Cllr Mrs Ransley attended Christmas Eve carol concert in Forge Car Park
- Cllr Bowden advised Members that the new CCTV camera had been installed at Tring Community Centre
- Cllr Nutkins reported the comments received at the recent 'Meet Your Council' session: the greengrocer trading at the Bell Pub; the state of the station cycleway and lack of lights; the mismatch between bus and train times at the station; potholes in general and the state of parts of Parsonage Place in particular
- Cllr Townsend with Cllrs P. Hearn and Hicks, attended the funeral of Rev. Sarah Eynstone, noting the recent loss of two key people of the Tring Team Parish
- Cllr Conway attended a meeting of Tring Charities with Cllr P. Hearn

18597. TRING YOUTH TOWN COUNCIL

The Council received the minutes of Youth Town Council meeting held on the Wednesday 21st December 2016.

RESOLVED: To note the minutes received

18598. 2017/18 BUDGET & PRECEPT

The Clerk presented the recommendations of the Finance & Policy Committee on the budget for 2017/18 and the level of the precept. The Clerk clarified the management of the Town Plan funding in the accounts and with Dacorum Borough Council.

RESOLVED: To accept the draft budget as presented and to set a precept of £126,922 - the result of a 2% increase in the council tax band D rate

18599. THE CLERK'S FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND TO CERTIFY THE SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS

The Clerk's report and schedule of payments was circulated prior to the meeting and was reviewed at the meeting.

RESOLVED: To confirm and certify the schedule of payments as presented.

18600. THE TOWN CRIER APRIL 2017

The Clerk gave a briefing on the preparations for this year's edition of the Town Crier. Cllr Townsend's suggestion with regard to the style was noted.

RESOLVED: To approve the suggested content of the Town Crier.

18601. DRAFT SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS 2017/18

The Clerk circulated a draft schedule of meetings for 2017/18 for information. This will be presented for approval at the Annual Town Meeting as usual subject to minor changes.

The meeting closed at 8.49pm

Chairman