

MINUTES OF TRING TOWN COUNCIL HELD REMOTELY (DUE TO CORONAVIRUS CRISIS) ON MONDAY 22nd FEBRUARY 2021 AT 7.30 p.m.

Present: Councillors: R. Ransley
A.Caps
P. Elley
P. McDowell
P. Hearn
R. Hollinghurst
A. MacDonald
N. Nutkins
B. Patterson
H. Piper
C. Townsend
S.Wilkie

Also Present: D. Slade, Deputy Town Clerk
L. Housden, Town Clerk
3 members of Wendover Arms Trust
1 member of the public

20375. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

All members present.

20376. TO MAKE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Hearn expressed an interest in Licensing as a member of Dacorum borough Council Licensing Committee, if applicable.

Cllr McDowell declared that he would not take part in item 20382 as a member of Dacorum Borough Council's Development Management Committee.

Cllr Wilkie declared that she lived in one of the roads for the proposed parking restrictions as per item 20388.

20377. TO RECEIVE A BRIEFING FROM WENDOVER ARM TRUST

A presentation was given by the Trust and further thought would be given as to how the Council could assist the Trust with obtaining funding.

(The members of the Wendover Arm Trust left the meeting)

20378. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 25th JANUARY 2021 AND THE EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING ON 8th FEBRUARY 2021

RESOLVED: To accept both of the Minutes and for the Mayor to sign them, when it is safe to do so.

20379. MATTERS OF REPORT FROM THE MINUTES

- The precept demand was submitted to Dacorum Borough Council
- The Council's response to the Local Plan consultation had been submitted to Dacorum Borough Council
- The joint letter with other Parish Councils with regards to the Local Plan Consultation had been signed.
- Comments on the latest Luton Airport planning application had been submitted.
- A response from the premises licence application applicants had been received and circulated.
- The prospective purchasers query in respect of the Bulbourne site had been resolved.

20380. TO RECEIVE SUCH COMMUNICATIONS AS THE TOWN MAYOR MAY DESIRE TO LAY BEFORE THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

The Mayor reported the following:

- On the 14th February the Mayor attended a virtual meeting together with the Clerk and Tring Together looking at a grant that Dacorum Borough Council had applied for last year from the EU. The grant is in relation to the re-opening of the high street and is spread over the whole of Dacorum. There is an App that businesses and stores can access and use. In addition 50 premises over the borough will be given 1-1 support to help with the re-opening.
- The Chair had noticed that a nearby council puts on the Facebook site 'Everything Tring' when their Council meeting is and how to be part of it. There was support from the Council members with the Council doing this going forward.
- Residents had contacted the Chair because they had heard rumours that Herts County Council were planning on taking up the current road surface and replacing it with tarmac. The Clerk got in touch with the County Councillor who has confirmed that he has written to the Highways informing them the pavoids should be lifted and put back.

20381. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No one wished to speak

20382. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Council considered planning applications that 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.

PLAN REF. NO.

20/03874/FHA Re-consultation Single storey rear extension, dormer and skylights in roof, enlarged basement window and light well at 17 Langdon Street, Tring HP23 6AZ for Ms Perales Catatayud (Natasha Vernal)

The Council recommended **NO OBJECTION** to this application.

21/00183/FUL Proposed extension of height of mast by 5m (24.9m to 29.9m). Removal of 6 antenna. Installation of 12 no. antenna and ancillary devices. 6no. Cabinets inside the existing cabin. All ancillary works thereto at Mast, Icknield Way, Tring for Mr Herraghty (Mono Consultants)

The Council asked the Clerk to obtain guidance from the Planning Officer to find out if the Council can object, just raise questions or if they just have to note the application.

21/00398/FUL Demolition of existing dwelling and replacement with a pair of semi detached 3 bedroom dwellings at 55 Beaconsfield Road, Tring HP23 4DW for Thompson (AJPT Construction Ltd) (Colin Lecart)

The Council recommended **NO OBJECTION** to this application.

21/00443/FHA Alterations and extension of existing outbuilding for use ancillary to the main residence at Chiltern, Duckmore Lane, Tring HP23 6JP for Mr Blackstock (Laura Bushby)

The Council recommended **NO OBJECTION** to this application.

21/00451/FHA Single storey side extension and internal alterations (amended scheme) at 5 Damask Close, Tring HP23 5UA for Mr and Mrs Trinder (James Gardner)

Not applicable as application has been withdrawn.

21/00118/FHA Single storey porch extension, new fenestration, new roof tiles and render finish at Riccadene, 10 Station Road, Tring HP23 5NG for Mr and Mrs Edgar (Aneeka Shah)

The Council recommended **NO OBJECTION**.

- 21/00476/OPA Conversion of second floor offices to residential use at Honours Building, 72-80 Akeman Street, Tring HP23 6AF for Aurient Commercial (Nigel Gibbs)
- The Council recommended **NO OBJECTION** but to note concerns over parking and the environmental report noting that under the building there was an aquifer.
- 21/00478/FHA Loft conversion and extensions to existing garage at 124 Grove Road, Tring HP23 5PA for Mr Gibbon (Elspeth Palmer)
- The Council recommended **NO OBJECTION**.
- 21/00502/TCA Removal of silver birch tree. Plant new silver birch or whitebeam in back garden at 17 Langdon Street, Tring HP23 6AZ for Ms Perales Catatayud (Aneeka Shah)
- The Council recommended **NO OBJECTION but subject to recommendations of the tree officer**.
- 21/00538/FHA Single storey rear extension. New flue to proposed fire appliance and first floor alterations and associated window at 5 King Edward Gardens, Tring HP23 5FP for Mr Kane (Aneeka Shah)
- The Council recommended **NO OBJECTION**.
- 21/00542/FHA Garage with ancillary workshop (outbuilding) at 2 Timberlakes, Church Lane, Hastoe HP23 6QB for Mr Popple (Natasha Vernal)
- The Council recommended **NO OBJECTION**.
- 21/00483/FHA Construction of single storey orangery to rear and single storey side extension. Construction of 1st floor extension and detached garage/home office building at 2 Goldsworth Road, Tring HP23 5FY for Mr Malik (Aneeka Shah)
- The Council recommended **NO OBJECTION**.
- 21/00534/FHA Single storey front, side and rear extensions and removal of existing garage at 8 Mortimer Hill, Tring HP23 5JT for Mr and Mrs Langer (Aneeka Shah)
- The Council recommended **NO OBJECTION**
- 21/00565/FHA Demolition of existing conservatory and construction of single storey rear extension and internal alterations at 27 Grove Park, Tring HP23 5JS for Mr and Mrs Simmons (Elspeth Palmer)
- The Council recommended **NO OBJECTION**

21/00584/TCA Works to trees at Garden House, Tabernacle Yard, Akeman Street, Tring HP23 6AA for Mr Jones (Tree Monkey Tree Care) (Tristan Goldsmid)

The Council recommended **NO OBJECTION**

21/00572/TCA Works to trees at 15 Chapel Street, Tring HP23 6BL for Mr Jones (Tree Monkey Tree Care) (Tristan Goldsmid)

The Council recommended **NO OBJECTION**

21/00583/FHA Demolition of existing garage to side. 2 storey rear and side extension and first floor front extension at 16 Mortimer Hill, Tring HP23 5JU for Mr and Mrs White (Laura Bushby)

The Council recommended **NO OBJECTION**

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

The Council noted the decisions by Dacorum Borough Council which were circulated to members on a weekly basis.

RESOLVED: To note the planning decisions received.

20383. TEMPORARY TRAFFIC REGULATIONS ORDERS

None received.

20384. PREMISES LICENCES

None received

20385. STANDING COMMITTEES

- (i) Planning Committee meeting held on 8th February 2021.
- (ii) Buildings, Assets & Infrastructure Committee held on 8th February 2021.

RESOLVED: To receive and adopt the minutes listed above.

20386. OUTSIDE BODIES

Members gave reports of meetings attended when representing the Council:

- Councillor Nutkins reported that Justice & Peace group has a fair trade fortnight & preparations are being made for that.
- Councillor Elley attended the virtual meeting of the Friends of Tring Church. Fundraising events have been curtailed for them as a result of the coronavirus pandemic. Their finances remain healthy but there is likely to be some demand for monies to be spent on the church in the forthcoming 12 months.
- Councillor Hollinghurst reported that the Local History museum society had prepared their response to the Local Plan consultation.

- Councillor Patterson attended the Dacorum environmental forum on 11th February. There was a talk by Hertfordshire waste partnership on the annual report that has just been published. Clerk to circulate a copy to the Councillors.

20387. FINANCIAL MATTERS:

- (i) To consider the Clerk's Financial Statement
- (ii) To certify the Schedule of Payments

RESOLVED:

- (i) To note the Clerk's Financial Statement including approving the Credit Cards and the renewal of the electricity contract.
- (ii) To certify the Schedule of Payments.

20388. THE HERTFORDSHIRE (VARIOUS ROADS, TRING) RESTRICTION OF WAITING) ORDER 2021

The Mayor outlined the proposals (which had been circulated prior to the meeting) and the councillors were given the opportunity to make comments on those proposals.

RESOLVED: The Clerk to respond that Council was in support of the proposals but had concerns over parking so would be contacting Dacorum Borough Council directly to see if mitigation could be made in that regard for instance verge hardening.

20389. HERTFORDSHIRE WASTE LOCAL PLAN - DRAFT PLAN CONSULTATION

RESOLVED: To consider at the next planning committee meeting with Cllr Patterson flagging up any issues.

20390. COMMUNITY BUS GRANT CONTRACT

The Clerk summarised the position with regards to the community bus grant that had been awarded to the Council.

RESOLVED: For the matter to be moved to the next Local Transport Committee meeting for more detailed consideration.

20391. MEETING DATES

RESOLVED: Proposed dates noted.

20392. UPDATE FROM DACORUM BOROUGH COUNCIL REGARDING TOWN AND PARISH COUNCIL'S INVOLVEMENT IN PLANNING APPLICATIONS

RESOLVED: Response noted and Clerk to reply that the Council welcomes working more closely with the planning department.

20393. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

A resolution was considered that under section I of the Public Bodies (admission to Meetings) Act 1960 the public and press be excluded during the following items of the agenda for this meeting, because it is likely that publicity would prejudice the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business.

RESOLVED: To exclude members of the press and public.

20394. FRIDAY MARKET RENT

The Clerk gave a verbal update on the current position.

RESOLVED: Update noted.

20395. ANNUAL COMMUNITY AWARD

RESOLVED: Members to provide names for nomination together with a short explanatory brief ready for circulation prior to the next Council meeting for consideration.

The meeting closed at 9.48pm

Chairman