

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF TRING TOWN COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, THE MARKET HOUSE, HIGH STREET, TRING ON MONDAY 31<sup>st</sup> JULY 2017 AT 7.30 p.m.**

**Present:** Councillors: G. Wilkins  
Mrs O. Conway  
H. Grace  
Mrs P. Hearn  
S. Hearn  
M. Hicks  
N. A. Hollinghurst  
N. Nutkins  
Mrs R. Ransley

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

12 Members of the public

**18844. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Cllrs C. Townsend and J. Bowden (prior engagements).

**RESOLVED:** That the Council accept the apologies for the reasons given

**18845. TO MAKE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllrs Mrs Hearn & Mrs Conway explained that they would not take part in item 18850 as members of Dacorum Borough Council's Development Control Committee.

**18846. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 26<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2017**

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

**18847. MATTERS OF REPORT FROM THE MINUTES**

The Clerk reported the following matters:

**Public Participation.**

On the points raised by Mr Ramirez (a letter was sent to Mr Ramirez with these details) the Clerk:

- Emailed Cllr Hollinghurst in his capacity as County Councillor passing on the suggestion of railings as a consideration for locality funding at New Mill
- Emailed the DBC Parks Officer and he will have state of the Memorial Gardens monitored. The last time the issue arose it has due to one individual – an elderly lady
- Received an assurance from Hertfordshire County Council that all the necessary safety standards were being met and there was no risk to pupils at Dundale Primary School

### **The Annual Return**

- The Annual Return and all the associated papers were submitted to the External Auditor before the deadline
- The notice of the period for the exercise of public rights was posted on the website and notice board as required

### **The Annual Garden Competition**

- The deadline for nominations is the 31<sup>st</sup> July 2017

## **18848. TO RECEIVE SUCH COMMUNICATIONS AS THE TOWN MAYOR MAY DESIRE TO LAY BEFORE THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL**

Functions that were attended in the civic role as Mayor:

30 <sup>th</sup> June 2017	Lunch at Friday Café, High Street Baptist Church
5 <sup>th</sup> July 2017	Licensing of Rev. Michelle Grace at St Peter & St Paul, Tring
13 <sup>th</sup> July 2017	Launch of Hintze Hall, Natural History Museum, Kensington
15 <sup>th</sup> July 2017	Unveiling of Fairtrade sign on London Road, Tring
30 <sup>th</sup> July 2017	Passchendaele Service at St Peter and St Paul, Tring

### *Circulated:*

- A letter from the High Street Baptist Church about the Friday Café grant
- A letter from the Justice & Peace Group with a request to use the balance of £30 for leaflets
- A copy of the Tring & District Local History & Museum Society's annual report

### *Tabled:*

- Latest news from the Chiltern Countryside Group
- CPRE Hertfordshire Annual Review plus details of their Planning Skills Seminar
- Hertfordshire NHS organisations public consultations on proposals for service changes - public meeting dates in Hertsmere and Dacorum added

### *Received:*

- From PCSO Lorraine Horsted – an email about people using (swimming) the Pitstone quarry at the end of Northfield Road – in recent warm weather there were over 130 cars parked around the site – and a trouble shooting meeting Monday 31st July. The Clerk & Cllr Hicks attended the meeting. There was a wide-ranging discussion of the situation and what had been done, attempted to be done, etc. The conclusion was, unfortunately, little else that could be done in the circumstances. Thames Valley Police & Hertfordshire Constabulary will have a meeting with the owner
- Mayor of Dacorum's Annual Tour – a request for a guided “fact finding” tour
- Consultation on the future of children's centres, health visiting and school nursing services in Hertfordshire

## **18849. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Standing orders were **suspended by resolution** at 7:37 pm.

5 residents of Ridgeview, Marshcroft Road and Grove Farm Cottages spoke in opposition to planning application 4/01574/17/FHA:

- Lost of amenity value – loss of light
- Inadequate parking

- Access via a private road – no permission requested or granted
- Notwithstanding the above, the width of road is inadequate for the access
- As completed, the application form indicates that there is no new access
- No orange site notices displayed
- The properties involved are subject to a restrictive agricultural covenant

Standing orders were **resumed by resolution** at 7:46 pm.

#### **18850. 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.**

4/01574/17/FHA Construction of new dwelling connected to existing semi-detached properties. External refurbishment of existing two properties at 3 Grove Farm Cottage, Marshcroft Lane, Tring HP23 5PP for Regis Group

**RESOLVED:** To reject the Working Party's recommendation and recommend **refusal** of this application on the following grounds:

(i) Loss of amenity value to No. 3 Grove Farm Cottage – using an existing wall as part of the new dwelling and the resulting loss of interior light

(ii) Procedural failings – no planning notices displayed

(iii) Inaccuracies in the application e.g. a new access

(iv) The proposed access is via a private road – apparently no approach has been made to the owner(s) for approval of such access

(v) It is understood that a restrictive agricultural covenant applies to the building in question

4/01647/17/FHA Single storey rear extension at 46 Morefields, Tring HP23 5EU for Mr and Mrs Duffy

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

4/01668/17/LDLB Installation of aluminium plaque at 20 High Street, Tring HP23 5AP for TDLHMS

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

4/01669/17/LDLB Installation of aluminium plaque on wall to Tring Park, East of High Street, Tring HP23 6AP for TDLHMS

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

4/01670/17/LDLB Installation of aluminium plaque at The Market House, 61 High Street, Tring HP23 4AB for TDLHMS

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

- 4/01671/17/LDLB Installation of aluminium plaque at Natural History Museum, Akeman Street, Tring HP23 6AP for TDLHMS  
The Council recommended **no objection** to this application
- 4/01672/17/LDLB Installation of aluminium plaque at The Counting House, 9 High Street, Tring HP23 5TE for TDLHMS  
The Council recommended **no objection** to this application
- 4/01698/17/FHA Single storey rear extension at 24 Verney Close, Tring HP23 5LB for Mr and Mrs G Epps  
The Council recommended no objection to this application
- 4/01260/17/FHA Amended/additional plans Installation of galvanised steel mobility shelter unit to accommodate a scooter and wheelchair within a fenced enclosure to front of property at Rosebank, Donkey Lane, Tring HP23 4DY for KVB Architects Ltd  
The Council recommended **no objection** to this application
- 4/01687/17/FHA Replace rear conservatory with an orangery at 5 Deans Close, Tring HP23 4AS DVL Bespoke Design Solutions  
The Council recommended **no objection** to this application
- 4/01718/17/LBC Alterations to the clock house building: removal of a modern art room and reinstatement of the front façade and cupola. Alterations and making good to an existing brick wall. External paving. Modifications to the interior at first floor level. Modifications to the roof of the off shoot to the rear of the clock house at Tring Park School, Mansion Drive, Tring HP23 5LY for Tring Park School  
The Council recommended **no objection** to this application
- 4/01680/17/FHA Loft conversion with front, rear and side velux window at 40 Longfield Road, Tring HP23 4DG for Mr and Mrs Timothy Gill  
The Council recommended **no objection** to this application
- 4/01621/17/FUL Demolition of existing porch. Construction of two storey porch with external stairs. Rebuild rear retaining wall. Removal of three external staircases and installation of two external staircases and other alterations at 16 and 18 Western Road, Tring HP23 4BB for Stephen Paul Byrne  
The Council recommended **no objection** to this application
- 4/01736/17/TCA Works to trees at 1 Albert Street, Tring HP23 6AU for Menal  
**Withdrawn**
- 4/01745/17/FHA Partial replacement and conversion of roof space to provide additional accommodation at The Walled Garden, 26 Station Road, Tring HP23 5NG for Mrs A. Romer  
The Council recommended **no objection** to this application, but with a **comment** noting the objections raised by a neighbour on possible loss of privacy

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

The Council noted the following decisions by Dacorum Borough Council.

**PLAN REF. NO.**

4/01245/17/HPA	Permission granted for single storey rear extension measuring 3.8m deep with a maximum height of 3.2m and a maximum eaves height of 2.55m
4/01436/17/HPA	Prior approval not required for single storey rear extension measuring 5.6m deep with a maximum height of 3.6m and a maximum eaves height of 2.25m
4/01361/17/FHA	Permission granted for two storey side extension, single storey front and rear extensions at 25 Nathaniel Walk, Tring HP23 5DG
4/01467/17/FHA	Permission granted for single and two storey rear extensions at 18 Longfield Road, Tring HP23 4DG
4/01372/17/FHA	Permission granted for single storey front and rear extension and external alterations including rendered finish and construction of new chimney stack at 14 Beech Walk, Tring HP23 5JQ
4/01360/17/FHA	Permission granted for single storey rear extension at 2 Kay Close, Tring HP23 5AF
4/01555/17/TPO	Permission granted for works to T1 and T2 trees at The Gables, Christchurch Road, Tring HP23 4EF
4/01556/17/TCA	Raise no objection to works to T1 and T2 trees at 1A Albert Street, Tring HP23 6AU
4/01736/17/TCA	Withdrawn works to T1 and T2 trees at 1A Albert Street, Tring HP23 6AU
4/01560/17/LDP	Withdrawn remove conservatory and replace with single storey rear extension at 20 Mill Gardens, Tring HP23 5ES
4/01421/17/TCA	Raise no objection to remove ash and elder trees at 31 Western Road, Tring HP23 4BQ

**RESOLVED:** To note the planning decisions received

**18851. TEMPORARY TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDERS**

Members considered details of the orders circulated prior to the meeting - TRO10694, TRO10693, and TRO10720.

**RESOLVED:** To note the temporary traffic regulation orders received

**18852. PREMISES LICENCE APPLICATIONS**

None received

**RESOLVED:** To note the premises licence received

**18853. STANDING COMMITTEES**

The minutes of the following meetings were considered:

- (i) Planning Committee held on 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2017
- (ii) Finance & Policy Committee held on 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2017
- (iii) Planning Committee held on 17<sup>th</sup> July 2017
- (iv) Building & Assets Committee held on 17<sup>th</sup> July 2017

**RESOLVED:** To receive and adopt the minutes listed above

**18854. OUTSIDE BODIES**

Members gave reports of meetings attended when representing the Council:

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| Cllr Grace                                 | Reported the meeting between Tring School and Tring Sports Forum on the school's sports facilities |
| Cllr Wilkins                               | Gave a talk to the U3A and helped at the Baptist Church games afternoon                            |
| Cllrs S. Hearn, Mrs Hearn, Hills and Hicks | attended the Passchendaele commemoration service   |

**18855. TRING YOUTH TOWN COUNCIL**

The Council received the minutes of Youth Town Council meeting held on the 12<sup>th</sup> July 2017.

**RESOLVED:** To note the Minutes

**18856. THE CLERK'S FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND TO CERTIFY THE SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS**

The monthly financial statements and the Clerk's report were circulated prior to the meeting and were reviewed at the meeting by Members, who also reviewed the schedule of payments.

The Clerk presented the first quarter outturn forecast, concluding that no action was currently required.

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

**18857. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC & PRESS**

To consider a resolution in the following terms: That under section 1 of the Public Bodies (admission to Meetings) Act 1960 the public and press be excluded during the subsequent 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 support the resolution as given to exclude the public & press

**18858. POSSIBLE FUTURE USE OF THE COUNCIL HOLDINGS AT BULBOURNE**

**RESOLVED:** To hold a dedicated extra-ordinary council meeting on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> August after the Planning Committee meeting in order to discuss this matter fully

**18859. DACORUM BOROUGH COUNCIL'S SINGLE LOCAL PLAN**

**RESOLVED:** To note the outcome of the meeting with Dacorum Borough Council to discuss the preparations of the Single Local Plan

The meeting closed at 8:52 pm

Chairman