

MINUTES of a meeting of the COUNCIL held at 7.45pm on Wednesday 26th July 2017 in the Day Centre, 72 Chapel Hill, Stansted Mountfitchet, Essex

PRESENT: Cllr M Caton (Chairman), Cllrs C Dean, J Hudson, M Jessup, P Jones, J Kavanagh, J O'Brien, , F Richards, J Salmon, G Sell and V Trundle

ATTENDING: Mrs E Philbrick - Admin Assistant
Mr Trevor Lloyd-Ass. to The Clerk
District Cllr Terry Farthing
District Cllr A Dean
23 members of the public

162 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllr S Dunn, R Rands and D Wallace-Jarvis, County Cllr Ray Gooding, Mrs R Clifford - Clerk

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The applicant for the planning application at West Winds Norman's Way elaborated on his application.

5 Residents raised objections to the planning application at the former Police Station in Hargrave Close. They all had concerns about parking, the narrow access road, road safety on Cambridge Road, noise pollution, and the immediate neighbours had concerns about being over looked.

A resident raised concerns about developments on agricultural land and issues related to the May Walk site.

The applicant for the planning application at 53 Bentfield End Causeway for a Pre School Nursery elaborated on their application.

A resident reported on issues related to the new pharmacy in the Castle Maltings building.

163 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The following member declared a non-financial interest:

Cllr Salmon - Planning application 2, 5 & 6

Cllr O'Brien- Planning Application 5 & 6

Cllr Jones- Planning Application 3

164 MINUTES

The minutes of the Full Council held on 5th July 2017 were approved

165 TO WELCOME PETER SANDERS - STOP STANSTED EXPANSION

Mr Sanders presented a paper on the Manchester Airport Group expansion plans at Stansted Airport. (see Appendix B). He concluded that the proposals would present a significant negative impact on the village and he raised concerns about the speed at which MAG were trying to gain approval for their proposal with limited time for scrutiny and consultation.

166 TO WELCOME KEN WHYNE - EDITOR OF THE LINK

Mr Whyne referred to the layout of the Stansted Network pages in the Link and the need to consider how they could be changed to make it more engaging to readers and the younger generation and also to make it easier for readers to find information they may require. After

discussions it was suggested a working group be set up to consider how changes to the layout of our pages can be progressed.

167 MATTERS ARISING

Cllr Richards advised work had started on the Magna Carta Academy .

168 CHAIRMANS REPORT

See attached Appendix A

169 QUESTIONS TO THE CHAIRMAN - None

170a DISTRICT COUNCILLORS' REPORT

Cllr Dean reported:

- He is pressing for action on the Lower Street pedestrian crossing as this has been pending a decision for 12 months. The new parking regulations for the Lower Street Car Park come into force now on 8th August not 1st August.
- He has called in the planning application for Westwinds, Norman's Way as believes highways matters and footpaths are an issue.
- Planning permission has been granted for the Three Colts and work starts soon.
- The application for a nursery on the old Police Station site Hargrave Close, has been called in due to highways issues.
- A file has been opened on the May Walk Car Boot Sale
- Informed of the decision of Cabinet to fund a sports project at Carver Barracks which was agreed at District Full Council on Tuesday 25th July 2017.
- Has been chasing for the wildflowers and weeds on Mead Court to be tidied up.

Cllr Farthing reported:

- Gave an update on the Science Park including the loan to Aspire to refurbish one of the buildings for future renting. He also endorsed the Carver Barracks project.

Cllr Sell reported:

- There are concerns regarding the number of secondary school placements that will be available to local residents. There is expected to be a large increase in demand due to the erection of new housing estates locally.
- He is pushing for more Special Constables in Uttlesford
- In his role as UDC Chairman he will producing a regular report called "Chairman's Chat" to update people on his engagements and the issues he is Championing.

170b COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT

Not present

171 PAYMENTS

The list of payments were approved

172 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- 1 UTT/17/1914/LB - Bentfield Cottage, Bentfield Bury Road
Retention of removal of half brick stud wall and addition of 4 bi-folding door to interior dining room.
- No Comment
- 2 UTT/17/2037/FUL - Police Station Hargrave Close
Demolition of existing flat roof extensions. Change of use and extension to former Police Station to form Children's Day Nursery.
- Object due to the following:
- Hargrave Close is too narrow
 - Four drop off spaces is insufficient
 - Inadequate staff parking
 - Will add to the existing congestion on Cambridge Road
 - Safety concerns about cars exiting on to Cambridge Road
 - Proposed design results in "over looking" of neighbouring properties
 - The site doesn't appear big enough for 70 children
- 3 UTT/17/1991/FUL - West Winds Normans Way
Demolition of existing Westwinds property and erection of 5 new dwellings on Westwinds site and part of Almont House garden land.
- Support the application but improvements need to be made to the road and pavement that provide access to the site.
- 4 UTT/17/2050/FUL - The Thatch Elsenham Road
Erection of a single dwelling and garage
- Object as it would set a precedent for "back land " development on Elsenham Road. It would also involve an unacceptable loss of mature trees.
- 5 UTT/17/1688/FUL - 53 Bentfield End Causeway
Change of use of detached barn from games room/summerhouse to Pre School Nursery. Alternations to vehicular and pedestrian access including relocating gates, lowering of picket fence and brick pillar.
- No objections but need to ensure parking provision is adequate.
- 6 UTT/17/1689/LB - 53 Bentfield End Causeway
Alternations to vehicular and pedestrian access including relocating gates, lowering of picket fence and brick pillar.
- No comment

173 HIGHWAYS SUB COMMITTEE - 19TH JULY 2017

RESOLVED to accept the minutes of the meeting held on 21st June 2017

174 F & GP COMMITTEE - TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 19TH JULY 2017

RESOLVED to accept the minutes of the meeting held on 19th July 2017

175 LIST OF CORRESPONDENCE

None

176 PLANNING APPLICATIONS DETERMIND

List circulated with agenda

177 CLERK'S RECORD OF PLANS

Available in the office

178 UPDATE ON CRAFTON GREEN PROJECT

RESOLVED - Due to the confidential nature of the business to be discussed, the press and public are instructed to withdraw.

The Chairman updated members of the Council on the current position relating to the Crafton Green Project.

Meeting closed at 9.50pm