

MINUTES of a meeting of the COUNCIL held at 7.45pm on Wednesday 11 October 2017 in the Day Centre, 72 Chapel Hill, Stansted Mountfitchet, Essex

**PRESENT:** Cllr M Caton (Chairman), Cllrs C Dean, S Dunn, J Hudson, M Jessup, P Jones, J Kavanagh, J O'Brien, R Rands, F Richards, G Sell and D Wallace-Jarvis

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**ATTENDING:**

District Cllr Terry Farthing  
Ruth Clifford - Clerk  
Trevor Lloyd - Assistant to the Clerk  
9 members of the public

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**216 APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Cllrs J Salmon and V Trundle, District Cllr Alan Dean and County Cllr Ray Gooding

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**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

2 residents spoke about a planning application in Brewery Lane which they considered to be overbearing and out of character with other properties in the road.

1 member of the public spoke on the following topics: pharmacy in Castle Maltings and helicopters overflying the village.

1 resident spoke about the Crafton Green Project and appealed for more detail and context with regard to the delays in construction work. The Chairman confirmed that a public statement would be issued as soon as the Council's solicitor confirmed that this could happen.

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**217 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The following member declared a non-financial interest:  
Cllr D Wallace Jarvis- Planning application 9

**218 MINUTES**

The minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 20th September 2017 were approved.

**219 MATTERS ARISING**

(202) Cllr O'Brien challenged the value of the Garden City tour which he suggested should have included Letchworth. Cllr Sell informed the meeting that the Town and Country Planning Institute had done a presentation at UDC and had arranged the tour.

(203) Cllr Sell expressed his disappointment that there had been no official notification of the ceremony at the Magna Carta School site. He appealed for ECC to keep the Parish Council updated on progress.

(208) Cllr Caton informed the meeting that a conference call has been arranged for Friday 13 October with representatives from Rungis to agree a way forward with the proposed twinning agreement.

**220 DUNCAN SMITH AND NEIL ROBINSON- MANCHESTER AIRPORT GROUP**

Representatives from the Manchester Airport Group outlined the actions they were proposing to reduce the number of helicopters overflying the village. This follows an increased number of complaints from villages surrounding the airport. Helicopter operators would be encouraged to follow a flight path bisecting Birchanger and Stansted Mountfitchet. In response to questions they confirmed that the success of the proposal depended on the co-operation of pilots because there are no sanctions but they were confident that by increasing awareness amongst pilots, and including the instruction being given in the flight plan by Air Traffic Control, the vast majority would stick to the designated flight path. Questions

from members were answered, including the fact that consideration must be given to Burton End and the new development at Walpole Farm. It was agreed that the support of the Parish Council would help this process in getting CAA approval and, if adopted, the scheme would be reviewed several months after implementation.

**221 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT** - tabled and attached at Annex A.

**222 QUESTIONS TO THE CHAIRMAN-** None

**223 DISTRICT COUNCILLORS' REPORT**

Cllr Farthing reported that he had attended the UDC meeting the previous evening.

Cllr Sell reported:

- Local Plan Consultation responses are now being analysed by officers. There are still issues to resolve such as concerns expressed by the Environment Agency about water supplies and road network concerns raised by South Cambridgeshire Council. New officers have been recruited to support the plan and there is a target date in January for the plan to be approved by the Council although it was acknowledged that this date may slip back.
- Cllr Rolfe has proposed a £300,000 donation to the cost of establishing the new vocational college at the airport which is a joint venture with Harlow College.
- He stressed the importance of the new garden city style developments leaving a positive legacy for future generations.
- As Chairman of UDC he will be laying a wreath at the ceremony on Remembrance Sunday. CEO Dawn French will accompany him.

**224 COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

Cllr Gooding asked for the following to be reported:

- A number of complaints have been received about the new 7/7A bus service. Anyone with issues over the service is asked to get in touch with him.

**225 FINANCE**

a) **PAYMENTS** - the list of payments was approved

b) **STATEMENT SUMMARY INCOME AND EXPENDITURE TO 30 SEPTEMBER 2017**

Cllr Jones predicted a bigger surplus than normal on our standard income and expenditure budget. A full report will be made to the next Finance Committee.

c) **VAT RETURN TO 30 SEPTEMBER 2017** - tabled.

**226 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

1 UTT/17/2409/FUL - Land rear of 1-5 Croasdaile Close  
Change of use of land to extend gardens of 1-5 Croasdaile Close. Erection of fence.

No Comment

2 UTT/17/2641/HHF - 23 Bentfield End Causeway  
Proposed alterations and extensions

Development should be limited to two storeys. Parking must comply with standard planning requirements.

- 3 UTT/17/2551/HHF - The Barn, High Lane  
Erection of sliding gate, pedestrian gate and brick pier

No comment

- 4 UTT/17/2703/OP - The Canada Shed, Parsonage Lane  
Outline application with all matters reserved except for access for the demolition of building and erection of 4 bungalows.

This should be rejected because it is a green belt area and on land designated for light industrial use.

- 5 UTT/17/2733/HHF - High Waters, Bentfield Green  
Erection of part single and part two storey rear extension

This proposal is not in keeping with the rest of the property in terms of materials being used and is inappropriate in a conservation area.

- 6 UTT/17/2546/LB - Stansted War Memorial , Chapel Hill  
Carrying out of conservation work on the War Memorial

No Comment

- 7 UTT/17/2619/FUL - Outbuilding at 2 Bentfield End Causeway  
Change of use of unit 2 from holiday let to dwelling

Should not be able to sell the unit separate from the main residence

- 8 UTT/17/2689/HHF - 21 Bentfield Gardens  
Proposed single-storey annexe

Some members felt the changes to the original application that was rejected were too limited but the consensus was not to comment.

- 9 UTT/17/2715/HHF - 22 Brewery Lane  
Demolition of rear extension and erection of single-storey and two-storey rear extensions and replacement front porch

This proposal does very little to address the reasons why the original application was rejected and as a consequence should be rejected again.

- 10 UTT/17/2750/PAP3Q - Eastfield Stables, May Walk  
Prior notification of change of use of agricultural building to 1 no. dwelling

The site is outside the Village Development Limit and should be refused for the reasons it was previously refused.

## **227 UDC CHAIRMAN'S CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE**

The Chairman's Christmas Carol Service will be held in St John's Church on 5 December at 7.30pm. All Parish Councillors were encouraged to attend.

**228 UDC - STREET NAMING AND NUMBERING FOR 14 CAMBRIDGE ROAD UDC - STREET NAMING AND NUMBERING FOR 14 CAMBRIDGE ROAD**

Members rejected the suggestions of the developers and proposed Green's Close due to the proximity of The Green's Building.

**229 LIST OF CORRESPONDENCE** - none.

**230 PLANNING APPLICATIONS DETERMINED** - list circulated with agenda.

**231 CLERK'S RECORD OF PLANS** - available in the office.

**232 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 and members voted on what steps to take next

Meeting closed at 10.15pm