

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SOUTHAM TOWN COUNCIL HELD AT THE GRANGE HALL, COVENTRY ROAD, SOUTHAM ON THURSDAY, 26TH MARCH 2015

Present: In the Chair, The Mayor, Councillor Mark Willoughby,
Councillors J Ward, M Gaffney, D Smith, L Tasker, C Pratt, B Thomas, T
Bromwich C Worsh, & V Shepherd

Apologies: Cllr J Soni Personal

Cllr J Appleton
Cllr A Crump

No Apologies: Cllr E Thornley

In Attendance: Mrs D Carro, Mrs D Sanders

164. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

RESOLVED:

That the apologies are accepted

165. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr M Gaffney	Non Pecuniary Reason	Payment Item 6 Treasurer SCAN
Cllr L Tasker	Non Pecuniary Reason	Payments Item 1 Expenses HS2 London
Cllr C Pratt	Non Pecuniary Reason Non Pecuniary Reason	Planning Item 2 Applicant known Confidential Item 3 Owns plot in churchyard
Cllr J Ward	Non Pecuniary Reason	Planning Item 2 Applicant known

166. REPRESENTATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

None

167. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 26th February 2015, having previously been circulated, be confirmed and signed by the Mayor

167a. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

RESOLVED

That payment of accounts dated March 2015 totalling £9392.91 (details attached) be authorised.

168. POLICE

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No report

169. APPLICATIONS FOR PLANNING PERMISSION

i) Council considered the applications for planning permission detailed on the schedule dated March 2015 upon which the Town Council had been consulted by Stratford District Council.

ii) Planning Application decisions dated March 2015

Noted

iii) Planning Committee Meeting Dates

Noted

170. TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

170.1 PUBLIC REPRESENTATIONS

None

170.2 COUNCIL MEETING DATES

Noted

171. CORRESPONDENCE

172.1 MR R HOLROYD – PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT – LOWER FARM STONEYTHORPE

Noted

172.2 MRL GALE – GRANT APPLICATION

Noted

172.3 VASA – GRANT THANK YOU

Noted

171.4 CAB – GRANT THANK YOU

Noted

172.5 MR S TURNER (Southam Lions) GRANT THANK YOU

Noted

172.6 THE LOCAL BOUNDARY COMMISSION (Electoral Review of Warwickshire)

Noted

173. REPORT ON A MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL WORKING PARTY ON 12th MARCH 2015

173.1 INTERNATIONAL FASTENERS LTD

Representatives from International Fasteners Ltd gave a short presentation and supplied booklets about the company and its proposals. They have been in regular contact with Stratford District Council and will be submitting a full application within the next month. An increase of employment within the company was mooted and expectations of up to 4 HGV's per week will be delivering to the building

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173.2 PUBLICATION SCHEME

Members considered the updated Publication Scheme

RESOLVED:

To approve the publication scheme

173.3 THE TOWN COUNCIL POLICY BOOKLET

Members considered the updated booklet

RESOLVED:

i) To approve the Policy Booklet

ii) That the Policy Booklet is reviewed after every annual Mayor making.

iii) That 3.2 'Town plan' to be changed to more appropriate wording in the next review.

173.4 LOWER FARM, STONEYTHORPE - SCOPING REQUEST

Members considered the scoping request for a proposed development of up to 1000 dwellings, employment land, live/work units, a primary school, community hub, communications and security centre, public open space, flood mitigation. As a consultee the Town Council is being asked as to what matters should be included in the Environmental Impact Assessment, Members were asked to state anything from an environmental perspective.

RESOLVED:

To respond to SDC as follows:

1. No public rights of way mentioned

2. Flood plain very close to the development

3. The proposed development is within the route of HS2. No mention of low frequency noise, vibration impact or infrasound.

4. Impact on local services; i.e., Healthcare, Education (Secondary school places and changes to catchment area for surrounding villages if the number of primary school places are increased in the area.

5. Concerns regarding the close proximity to the landfill and potential for contamination and methane and flooding impact further down the river with possible further environmental damage.

6. Impact on Welsh Road West around the bridge area given that currently that is an area which occasionally has issues at times of heavy wet/rain periods.

173.5 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Members consider the following planning application:

15/00559/LBC

The Coach House, St James Court, Market Hill, Southam

Enlargement of garage door aperture and alterations to garden wall

RESOLVED:

No representations

173.6 QUESTIONS FOR COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

None

174. HOLY WELL WORKING PARTY

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Members considered correspondence from English Heritage regarding Scheduled Monument Consent in order to carry out maintenance work at The Holy Well.

RESOLVED:

That the Town Council accepts the recommendation from English Heritage including the conditions.

175. INFORMATION FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

Cllr T Bromwich advised the following:

- That he would attend a briefing from the planning inspectorate regarding the Planning Inspector's interim report on the Core Strategy and that he would advise SDC that the Town Council had requested a report on this matter.
- That he would ascertain what the 1.5million in 'other' was in SDCs last years accounts.
- That he continues to liaise with Orbit over a number of complaints from tenants.

176. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC FROM THE MEETING

It was moved and

RESOLVED: that pursuant to Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 the public be excluded from the meeting because publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted

177. STAFF SALARIES AND PAYMENT FOR SERVICES

RESOLVED:

To authorise payments of staff salaries dated March 2015

178. FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

RESOLVED:

The Town Council unanimously endorsed the Town Clerk's response to the request as Councillor Bromwich did not recall asking for anything to be minuted.

179. BURIAL GROUND WORKING PARTY REPORT

RESOLVED:

- (i) To accept the report and thank the Working Party for its hard work.
- (ii) Confidential Appendix A
- (iii) Confidential Appendix A

180. ORBIT COMMUNITY ROOM LEASE

RESOLVED:

- (i) To accept the Clerks figures and the necessity for a sinking fund.
- (ii) To re-negotiate the items included in the core service charge

181. STAKEHOLDER MINUTES – HIGHWAY WORK

RESOLVED:

To write to SDC asking for written confirmation of previously received information regarding the section 106 funds.

The meeting closed at 9.15 pm

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SCHEDULE OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS B					
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APPLICATION NO.	APPLICANT NAME	SITE	PROPOSAL	OBSERVATION DATE/COMMENT	Additional Information
15/00217/FUL	Mr D & J Newman	Unit 5, Westfield Road, Kineton Road Industrial Estate, Southam CV47 0HJ	The erection of a new industrial /warehouse building (B1, B2 & B8) with associated works	1st April 2015	No representations
14/01680/FUL	Mr Ian Simpson, International Fastner Ltd	Holt Farm (Ross) Welsh Road East, Southam CV47 1NB	Construction of a distribution and storage warehouse and retrospective construction of a new vehicular access and road way	10th April 2015	Southam Town Council would like to see a condition imposed that the proposed new footway and cycleway should be extended to this access and that this should be completed prior to construction.
15/00562/OUT	Gladman Developments Ltd	Land to the East of Southam Road, Long Itchington	Outline planning application with means of access from Collingham Lane to be determined (layout, scale, appearance and landscaping reserved for subsequent approval) for the erection of up to 100 dwellings; land for potential GP Surgery, proposed drainage works including a detention basin, open space and all other enabling works.	8th April 2015	Southam Town Council would like to see a section 106 contribution for Southam College to mitigate the effects of this development.
15/00429/LBC	Mr Terry Gallehawk	49 Abbey Lane, Southam CV47 1HR	Remove and replace existing steel and leaded glass windows to front and rear	17th April 2015	Southam Town Council has no representations subject to the approval of the Conservation Officer.
15/00767/FUL	TGC Renewables Ltd	Fields Farm, Station Road, CV47 2DH	Installation of up to 27,480 solar panels supported on up to 409 module tables capable of generating up to 8.8 MWp of energy, together with associated equipment to include 9 inverter cabins, 4 communication cabins, switch gear housing, cabling, fencing CCTV and connection to the grid.	17th April 2015	No representations subject to suitable traffic management provision being put in place and the connection to the grid being underground.

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MARCH 2015 CHEQUE PAYMENTS						
Item No	Budget Line	Payee	Details	Net Amount	VAT (to be reclaimed)	Gross/Cheque Amount
1	16	<u>Mrs Linda Tasker</u>	Travel to give evidence at HS2 committee London 26/01/2015	34.00	0.00	£34.00
2	GR	<u>Southam Senior Citizen Action Network</u>	Grant for the provision of a defibrillator and cabinet sited at Southam Fire Station (Power to provide lifesaving appliances Public Health Act 1936 s.234)	2145.12	0.00	£2,145.12
3	8	<u>Konica Minolta</u>	Photo copies 14/11/2014 to 13/02/2015 Rental 14/02/2015 to 13/05/2015	178.20	35.64	£213.84
4	45	<u>Southam Produce Association</u>	Section 137 Grant provision of storage container	1500.00	0.00	£1,500.00
5	8	<u>Dealer Systems Ltd</u>	Support February	24.15	4.83	£28.98
6	19	<u>Warwickshire P.C.C</u>	PoliceSafe registration renewal	15.00	3.00	£18.00
7	34	<u>PIRMS</u>	Park Lane Install new and dispose of old Ladybird Rocker (to be reclaimed from insurance)	195.00	0.00	£195.00
8	18	<u>Viking</u>	Stationery	107.45	21.49	£128.94
9	1	<u>The Grange Hall</u>	10% share of Grange Hall utilities to cover office area. Gas, Electricity and waste collection	358.83	0.00	£358.83
10	ER & 36	<u>Mr Richard Carro</u>	March Groundsman Contract	672.00	0.00	£672.00
11	ER	<u>VASA</u>	Reimbursement of Volunteer Driver - February	426.20	0.00	£426.20
12	28	<u>Colin Sheasby Arborist & Landscape Services</u>	To carry out tree works in accordance with Annual inspection December 2013. Riverside Walk, Park Lane Recreation Ground & Misc and remove 3 dead /dying trees, dead wood and branch structures affecting the carriage way and pruning branches from lighting columns - St Wulstan Way	3060.00	612.00	£3,672.00
		TOTAL		£8,715.95	£676.96	£9,392.91

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