MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PRECEPT MEETING OF SOUTHAM TOWN COUNCIL HELD AT THE GRANGE HALL, COVENTRY ROAD, SOUTHAM ON THURSDAY, 28th MARCH 2019

Present: The Mayor, Councillor Lee Ellard - In the Chair

Councillors M Gaffney, A Walster, G Foster, A Jamieson, Cllr Ray, Cllr

John & Cllr Toner

Apologies: Cllr G Oubridge Personal

Cllr M Brooks Holiday

Cllr A Crump Council Commitment

Cllr T Bromwich Personal
Cllr M Connors Work
Cllr G Barratt Holiday

Absent without Apologies:

None

In Attendance: Mrs D Carro

164. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

165. APOLOGIES

RESOLVED:

That the apologies are accepted

166. REPRESENTATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Planning Consultant – Tarsus Hotel

Spoke stating that they had come along this evening to speak about the Tarsus Hotel Planning Application and had been advised by a Councillor that the application was going to be considered at the meeting tonight, but have now been told that the Council have considered it at a previous meeting and put forward an objection. As such, my client has not had his democratic right to speak in support of his application and in light of this misunderstanding would ask the council to consider meeting with us in order to discuss our application.

167. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED:

That the Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 28th February 2019, having previously been circulated, be confirmed and signed by the Town Mayor.

168. POLICE

Not in attendance

169. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

i)Invoices were available at the meeting for inspection

RESOLVED

That the payment of accounts dated March 2019, totalling £8,508.95 (details attached) be authorised.

170. APPLICATIONS FOR PLANNING PERMISSION

- 170.1 i) Council considered the applications for planning permission detailed on the schedule dated March 2019 upon which the Town Council had been consulted by Stratford District Council. (details attached)
- **170.2** ii) Planning Application decisions dated March 2019 **Noted**
- **170.3** iii) Planning Committee Meeting Dates

171. TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

171.1 PUBLIC REPRESENTATIONS

RESOLVED:

That Cllr Walster, Cllr Brooks, Cllr Foster and the Town Clerk to meet with representatives of the Tarsus Hotel in order to discuss their Planning Application.

171.2 GRIT BIN – DROVERS WAY

Members noted that WCC will not authorise a Grit Bin to be installed

171.3 PLANNING APPEAL BY ROCKSPRING BARWOOD SOUTHAM LTD – LAND TO THE SOUTH OF WELSH ROAD WEST – APPLICATION FOR COSTS

Members considered the response from The Planning Inspectorate in relation to Stratford District Council's application for costs following the withdrawal of the appeal by Rockspring Barwood Southam Ltd. The Planning Inspectorate concluded that a partial award of costs against the appellants on grounds of "unreasonable" behaviour resulting in wasted expense, is justified in the particular circumstances. **RESOLVED:**

To write to the Case Officer and thank them for all there hard work

171.4 COUNCIL MEETING DATES ENV DATES

Noted

172. CORRESPONDENCE

172.1 Rural Broadband – Local Full Fibre Network Bid Update

Noted

Southam & District Lions Club - Grant Thank you

Noted

173. REPORTS FROM WORKING PARTIES

173.1 Flying Fields Sports Pitch

Members were invited to decide what to call the sports area on the Flying Fields Estate

RESOLVED:

That is should be named Tiger Moth Games Area

173.2 Diocese of Coventry Meeting

Members considered the correspondence from the Coventry Diocese seeking a meeting to discuss the burial ground situation

RESOLVED:

i)That Cllr Ellard, Cllr Gaffney and the Town Clerk will meet with the diocese and report back to Council

173.3 Churchyard Grass cutting

Members with informed that following a WALC Legal Training Session that the Town Clerk attended it has been advised that the Local Government Act 1894 section 8 does not permit Councils to spend money on property of the church and that includes maintenance.

RESOLVED:

That considering this advice, to write to St James Church and advise that the Council will complete the grass cutting contract for the 2019 season but from 1st April 2020 St James Church will have to fund the cost of the churchyard maintenance.

173.4 Planning Application

See attached

RESOLVED:

- i)To invite Taylor Wimpey to an ENV to discuss the issues that residents living on the Taylor Wimpey site have raised.
- ii) In light of the correspondence received from the SDC Planning Assistant in relation to 14 Cherry Tree Walk, the Town Council withdraws their objection

174. <u>DEMENTIA FRIENDLY SOUTHAM – MINUTES OF STEERING GROUP MEETING NO 7 FEBRUARY 2019</u>

Noted

175. INFORMATION FROM COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

No reports received

176. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC FROM THE MEETING

It was moved and

<u>RESOLVED</u>: 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 the payment of staff salaries dated March 2019

178 DEPUTY CLERK /FINANCIAL OFFICER

Members were advised that the position had been filled and Mrs L Newland would be starting on the 3rd April 2019. Members also considered the updated contract.

RESOLVED:

To query with the Town Council Solicitor the wording in contract relating to Annual Leave.

The Meeting closed at 7.50 pm

Southam Town Council

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Item No	Budget Line	Payee	Details	Net Amount	VAT (to be reclaimed)	Gross/Cheque Amount
1	47	P Owen	Volunteer Driver Reimbursement	54.90		£54.90
2	47	A Harris	Volunteer Driver Reimbursement	35.70	0.00	£35.70
3	47	G Ferguson	Volunteer Driver Reimbursement	106.87	0.00	£106.87
4	47	G White	Volunteer Driver Reimbursement	180.90	0.00	£180.90
5	47	W M Taylor	Volunteer Driver Reimbursement	53.55	0.00	£53.55
6	47	J Blake	Volunteer Driver Reimbursement	54.90	0.00	£54.90
7	47	M Houston	Volunteer Driver Reimbursement	£125.10	£0.00	£125.10
8	47	B Meacham	Volunteer Driver Reimbursement	£109.35	£0.00	£109.35
9	47	J Wood	Volunteer Driver Reimbursement	£72.30	£0.00	£72.30
10	47	L Commander	Volunteer Driver Reimbursement	£112.50	£0.00	£112.50
11	47		Volunteer Driver Reimbursement	£40.05	£0.00	£40.05
12	47	C McCarthy	Volunteer Driver Reimbursement	£122.85	£0.00	£122.85
12	41	J Branston	Volunteer Briver Reimburgement	2122.03	20.00	2122.03
14	46	Limebridge Rural Services Ltd	Visit 16 of 16 pruning & weed control spraying	£913.92	£182.78	£1,096.70
15	46 & 29	C Sheasby	Tree work Daventry Road re: insurance claim £460 Medium Priority Work £1700	£2,160.00	£432.00	£2,592.00
16	17		Travel Expenses (training at Claverdon, Stratford, Coleshill, meeting Warwick) and Angling Waders heavy duty for Council use to clear the Holy Well £69.99	£143.09	£0.00	£143.09
17	47	Mrs D Carro	Volunteer Office phone	£43.10	£8.62	£51.72
''	47	British Telecommunications PLC	voluncer office priorie	243.10	20.02	231.72
18	6	STATE OF THE STATE	IT Support	£6.50	£1.30	£7.80
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19	39 & ER	Mr R Carro	Maintenance Contract	£688.46	£0.00	£688.46
20	ER		2 X Maps Noticeboard	£60.00	£12.00	£72.00
21	7 & 19	Think Design & Print	1st & 2nd Class Stamps & Stationery	£98.08	£10.83	£108.91
22	22	Viking Tri Recruitment	Deputy Clerk /Finanical Officer Recuitment	£2,232.75	£446.55	£2,679.30
		THINEGRALITIES				
			Total	7414.87	1094.08	£8,508.95
		Town Clerk				
					Councillors	
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March 2019 - Town Council Meeting Planning Applications

APPLICATION NO.	APPLICANT NAME	SITE	PROPOSAL	OBSERVATION DATE	Comments
19/00289/ADV	Mr Mark Gay Hayfield Homes (Southam) Ltd	Land At Wattons Lodge And South Of Watton's Lane Southam Watton's Lane CV47 OHX	7 x metal box signs to advertise residential development 15/02047/OUT and 17/02614/REM.	01-Apr-19	No representations
19/00304/FUL	Mr Mark Gay Hayfield Homes (Southam) Ltd	Land Off Manders Croft Southam	Temporary works to Plot 49 of permission 17/02614/REM to facilitate its temporary ancillary use as a sales office including the installation of a set of southern gable French doors and sidelights and northern gable French doors only.	03-Apr-19	No representations