

## Market Deeping Town Council – Planning and Highways Committee

Minutes of a meeting of Market Deeping Town Council’s Planning and Highways Committee held on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> August at 7pm in the Town Hall, Market Deeping. Chairman Cllr Brookes presided over Cllr Mrs Redshaw, Cllr Shelton, Cllr Miss Moran and Cllr Gamble. The deputy clerk was also in attendance.

### 38. Chairman’s Welcome

Cllr Brookes welcomed everyone to the meeting.

### 39. Apologies for Absences

There were no apologies received.

### 40. To receive declarations of interest under the Localism Act 2011

No declarations of interest were received.

### 41. Minutes from the meeting dated Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2018.

Cllr Brookes asked the committee if they were to accept the minutes of the meeting dated Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2018. It was proposed by Cllr Gamble, seconded by Cllr Brookes and **RESOLVED** unanimously that the minutes could be signed as a true and accurate record of the meeting. The minutes were signed accordingly.

### 42. Clerk’s report on matters arising from the meeting dated 4<sup>th</sup> July 2018

- Craft Centre response to Christmas light request – agenda item 15
- TH&C committee advised an estimated 10yrs of use remaining for Cemetery land
- The deputy clerk responded to the local plan final draft as requested
- The deputy clerk responded Boston Borough Council as requested
- The deputy clerk advised the resident of our request to LCC re mini roundabouts. LCC response – agenda item 14
- A letter was sent and response received from the letter to the Church Street resident re parking on grass verges. The committee discussed inappropriate parking at length, and although parking on the pavement is a police matter, councils are authorised to issue tickets for parking on verges. The deputy clerk was asked to contact Skegness Town Council, who has successfully overcome unwanted parking on grass verges, to ask what their approach has been.
- Response from Insp Martin re HGVs – agenda item 13
- The deputy clerk wrote to DSJPC re footpath 4 as requested

### 43. Correspondence

Correspondence – Planning & Highways Committee – August 2018				
No.	Received from	Date Received	Subject	Committee Response
1	New River Retail	05/07/2018	Poor driving at mini roundabout on Godsey Lane/New River Retail site junction	See item 51 below.
2	LCC	05/07/2018	Temporary Road Closure	Noted
3	Resident	17/07/2018	Positive response to recent grass cutting	Noted
4	Accent housing	23/07/2018	Skip in Black Prince Avenue	The committee was pleased this has finally been removed
5	NALC	31/07/2018	Independent Review of Planning Appeal	The survey deadline is 18 <sup>th</sup>

			Inquiries	September. The committee will therefore look at the survey and decide on a response for the next meeting
6	Tim Stevens	31/07/2018	Bus timetable case outside Chesters	The committee asked the deputy clerk to thank Tim Stevens for his assistance

#### 44. Omega report: Review of performance to date, budget/expenditure/income

Members had received the reports prior to the meeting. The Deputy Clerk went through the reports and there were no questions. It was noted that the defibrillator had been used on a few occasions.

#### Planning

#### 45. To consider the planning applications received to date, including SKDC Weekly Planning lists

Ref. no	Application details and address	MDTC response
S18/1319	Mr and Mrs D Ladds 6A Park Drive MD  S73 application to vary condition 2 (approved plan) of planning permission S16/0790	No objections
S18/1023	Mr D Hicks Rose Lodge Care Home 35A Church St MD  Extensions to an existing care home, alterations to associated barn and provision of additional car parking	The committee was concerned regarding the loading and unloading of delivery vehicles as there is already an issue with such vehicles blocking Church Street to the front of the property. The Committee would therefore like assurance that such vehicles will be able to load and unload away from the main road, as the turning circle marked on the plans does not appear large enough to allow large vehicles to turn.
S18/1310	Mr P Hicks Deeping Centre Godsey Lane MD  Install two rapid electric vehicle charging stations within the car park of Deeping Centre. Two existing parking spaces will become EV charging bays, along with	The committee is please to see the charging stations being installed.

	associated equipment	
S18/1059	Mr S Fox Land at corner farm MD  Provision of new agricultural access off Peterborough Road, MD	No objections.

#### 46. Planning applications and their results received up to the 1<sup>st</sup> August 2018

Ref No.	Application details address	SKDC Decision
S18/0568	Mr Farrer 10 Rosemary Avenue MD  Fell walnut tree	Permission refused
S17/1910 S17/1911	Mr M Lovett 17 High Street MD  Removal of existing rear conservatory and erection of single storey rear extension, rooflight to front of dwelling	Permission granted

#### Highways

#### 47. For members to receive an update on correspondence regarding the Persimmon Estate and to decide next steps.

Cllr Brookes informed members that there is due to be a site meeting with The Clerk, Cllr Broughton and a representative from Persimmon on 7<sup>th</sup> August to agree the position of the fencing around the allotments. Cllr Brookes advised that in respect of future planning applications, it would be beneficial to ask the developer to sign up to a S38 agreement with LCC before work commences, as this will help to alleviate some of the delays that have been experienced with road adoptions in this case. It was agreed that this item would be kept on the agenda for the next meeting.

#### 48. Conservation Area: for members to review any matters in the area, to include the size of the conservation area (Cllr Mrs Redshaw)

Councillors had been issued with a map of the Conservation area prior to the meeting. Cllrs discussed the existing and desired limits of the Conservation area, and it was agreed that it should be extended along the Stamford Road to include the Grey House, and the site of the old garage and riverside walk opposite. The deputy clerk was asked to write to SKDC and ask that next time the area is being reviewed, it should be extended accordingly.

#### 49. For members to discuss the grass cutting and to decide the next steps

Councillor Shelton advised that there would be another review meeting with Glendale and DSJPC at the end of the month. The contract is for one year only and will be reviewed. Cllrs generally felt the work was acceptable, but not good. Cllr Brookes advised that in future, SKDC are intending to do some of the grass cutting work in house, so may offer their services to us as a contractor in the coming years.

**50. For members to discuss whether to ask for police assistance in preventing HGVs passing through the Town Centre (Cllr Mrs Redshaw)**

The deputy clerk had received a response from Inspector Martin, advising that his team were happy to look at this issue and recommending that we set up a meeting with Emma Crisp or Claire Wilson, based at the Stamford Police department. Councillors agreed that before this meeting was set up, the deputy clerk would write to DSJPC and ask if they too felt there was an issue with vehicles flouting weight restrictions. The deputy clerk will write to DSJPC and feed back at the next meeting.

**51. For members to discuss the traffic situation including mini roundabouts on Godsey Lane/Towngate East**

The deputy clerk had previously reported residents' complaints about traffic moving too quickly over the mini roundabouts. LCC Highways had advised the deputy clerk that the maximum signage was already in place. This followed previous enquiries, including that of the New River Retail site manager, regarding more signage on Godsey Lane for traffic approaching the mini roundabouts including that at the Poundstretcher junction. Councillors noted that it was difficult to exit this junction from the Poundstretcher site as the overgrown plants on the old garage site near the junction made it difficult to see. Kevin Smith had previously advised that this growth would be cut back and the deputy clerk was asked to chase this up. Councillors felt that this was the only mini roundabout that could potentially be improved by using some of the New River Retail land at the junction with Godsey Lane to increase the size of the roundabout which should then persuade traffic to take more care. The deputy clerk was asked to write to Kevin Smith to request that if any future development takes place, this could be considered. The deputy clerk was also asked to write to LCC regarding the north south carriageway of Godsey Lane as it forms two lanes near the Tesco's entrance, in order to request road markings that could clarify which lane to use. Cllr Miss Moran noted that white lines that had previously been on Godsey Crescent had not been reinstated following resurfacing work, and the deputy clerk was asked to write to LCC regarding this also. This could be considered by LCC at the same time as the surface dressing required for Stamford Road.

**52. For members to discuss the possibility of Christmas lighting in the Riverside Beads and Crafts area**

The deputy clerk had received a very positive response to the letter to the Craft centre. They were keen to have lighting but did not have their own power source. Councillors agreed that the deputy clerk should write to the Craft centre to ascertain who the landlord is, and to ask if they could supply an external power source. It was felt that lighting should be attached to the Craft centre building rather than on separate poles, as this expense would be too great. The deputy clerk was asked to write to LITE.ltd, the current provider, to ask for a quote for the further lighting, and the cost could then be included in the budget plans for next year. The deputy clerk will also write to SKDC to ask whether planning permission is required.

**53. For members to consider purchasing some replacement Perspex for the bus shelters**

The park keepers had cleaned the bus shelters with a pressure washer, but reported that the Perspex on the shelter in Church Street was in too poor a condition to remain. It was therefore proposed by Cllr Gamble, seconded by Cllr Miss Moran, and **RESOLVED** unanimously that replacement Perspex could be ordered as long as the cost was under £500. (Councillors had understood the limit of their authority under the subcommittee to be £300, but the deputy clerk consulted the Standing Orders, and the limit is currently £500).

**54. For members to receive an update on footpath 4**

Cllr Brookes confirmed that he will be representing the Council at the forthcoming inquiry and was preparing his 'bundle' of information to be presented. The Committee felt that the Proof of Evidence submitted by the LCC Map Officer was less substantial than expected and Cllr Brookes was also of the view that the information that was sent to the Planning Inspectorate by LCC was not adequate evidence of consultation with SKDC. He believed this ought to be clarified to avoid future queries that could delay the public inquiry. Cllrs discussed the issues and potential outcomes at some length, and it was felt that, whilst Persimmon could not demolish housing to reinstate the original footpath, part of the garden space of the houses in question could be lost so that the path could be sited so as to provide a better line of sight, and so that it could be widened to 3m in future, which could then allow it to become a cycle path and would allow easier

movement of mobility vehicles, pushchairs etc. It was felt that it was important to establish such principles now to assist with future developments.

Cllr Brookes had attended an inquiry at Woodhall Spa that had helped with his understanding of the inquiry process. He had also attended the latest DSJPC Full Council meeting to explain the position to them in the hope that they would then write to the Planning Inspectorate in our support.

Cllr Miss Moran updated the Committee on her meeting regarding the Friends of Mill Field. Together with Pam Steele, she had met with the barrister for LCC and their solicitor regarding the forthcoming inquiry which is scheduled for the first week in November. The inquiry will be local, to allow local witnesses to attend, and will include an evening session.

**55. To update members on the information from the interactive Speed Sign (Cllr Brookes)**

Cllr Brookes is working on a guide to allow others to help with interpreting the information the sign provides.

The deputy clerk was asked to chase up LCC regarding training for Cllr Miss Moran and Cllr Gamble on the hand held speed cameras.

The deputy clerk was authorised to purchase a VAG to HDMI cable at a cost of approximately £15 to try and connect the existing laptop to the new TV before going to the expense of purchasing a new laptop.

There being no other business, Cllr Brookes thanked the members for attending and the meeting closed at 9.14pm. The next meeting was scheduled for Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September at 7pm.

**Chairman signature.....**

**Date.....**