

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 1st February 2017 at 7.30pm in the Town Hall, Market Deeping. Chairman Cllr Shelton presided over Cllrs Brookes, Gamble, Lester, Cllr Mrs Redshaw and the Deputy Clerk.

1. Chairman’s Welcome

Cllr Shelton welcomed everyone to the meeting

2. Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies for absence

3. To receive declarations of interest under the Localism Act 2011

None received

4. Minutes from the meeting dated Wednesday 4th January 2017

Cllr Shelton asked the committee if they were to accept the minutes of the meeting dated Wednesday 4th January 2017. It was proposed by Cllr Gamble seconded by Cllr Mrs Redshaw and **RESOLVED** unanimously to accept that the minutes could be signed as a true and accurate record of the meeting. The minutes were signed accordingly

5. Clerks report on matters arising from last meeting

The Deputy Clerk had issued members with updates from the last meeting:

- The PCSO had replied to the comments about parking on The Grove and had asked that if they were blocking driveways to report it to 101
- Clover Road is a smoke free zone and the two properties with external chimneys had been reported to SKDC
- The Deputy Clerk was still waiting for a reply from the conservation officer to visit the Council
- ‘Lites’ had accepted the Christmas light contract and would be in touch once they had drafted the contract
- Parish online log in details had been passed onto the Neighbourhood plan committee

6. Correspondence

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N o.	Received from	Date Received	Subject	Committee Response
1	Resident	5/1/17	Complaint about motorists parking on grass verges.	Noted since this Council has no powers to prosecute
2	Resident	10/1/17	Condition of footpath 4	Noted. To be discussed under agenda item 17
3	LCC Street lighting	17/1/17	Reply regarding the street lighting in the Market Place	Deputy Clerk was asked to reply to street lighting reminding them that this is in the conservation area and asking that the lanterns will look the same but provide a brighter light
4	Resident	31/1/17	Visibility at Godsey Lane crossing	The Deputy Clerk was asked to enquire if there was a planned date for the work to be carried out at the crossing

7. Omega reports:- Review of performance for 2016/2017 (budget /expenditure/income)

The Clerk took the members through the report. Currently all expenditure has been spent for the year unless there are any costs for the defibrillator or the speed sign. The expenditure is currently £804 under budget

Planning

8. For members to consider the Peterborough Local Plan Consultation and to agree any comments to be made

It was agreed that there was nothing of any significance in the plan that would affect this area. The Deputy Clerk was asked to thank Peterborough City Council for keeping this Council informed and that it was very much appreciated.

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

Planning applications received up to the 1st February 2017

Ref. no	Application details and address	MDTC response
S16/2514	Mrs J Crawford 24 The Avenue, MD Erection of Conservatory	The Deputy Clerk informed the Councillors that she had received a complaint about this being built in early December and reported it to SKDC. <u>Comments:</u> Members regretted that this was a retrospective planning application. They would like a site visit and contact made with the neighbours who complained to ensure the issues had been rectified, before a decision was made
S16/2823	Mrs V Davis 2 Wheatsheaf Court, MD Single storey rear extension with side canopy	No objections as long as the neighbours had no concerns
S17/0113	Mr D Eastwood 6 The Acorns, MD Erection of larger flat roof rear extension (Prior Notification Under Part 1 Class A)	No objections as long as the neighbours had no concerns
S17/0097	Mr & Mrs O'Neill Walnut Cottage, 17A Church Street, MD Fell 1 x Walnut Tree	Members object to this tree being felled since it was there before permission was given for the development.

10. Planning results received

Planning applications and their results received up to the 1st February 2017

Ref No.	Application details address	SKDC Decision
S16/2621	Mr T Murphy 14 The Pasture, MD Removal of existing conservatory and erection of single storey rear extension	Planning Permission Granted
S16/2804	Mr D Eastwood, 6, The Acorns, MD	Application withdrawn
S16/2650	Mr M Spriggs Marriott & Stimson, Stirling Way, Erection of 2 no. single storey extensions to form MOT testing bay	Planning Permission Granted
S16/2202	Mr & Mrs Nichols 6 Millfield Road, MD The erection of 2 detached 2 storey dwellings with detached double garages and new site access to include stone wall and railings	Planning Permission Granted

Highways

11. Conservation Area: for members to review any matters in the area

Cllr Mrs Redshaw was concerned about the restoration work on the corner of Stamford Road and Church Street. Cllr Lester asked if anything had been said about the signage on 'The Stage'. The Deputy Clerk had reported these to SKDC but heard nothing so was asked to chase it up. Cllr Gamble mentioned that a window frame had been changed in the building next to the old Chinese restaurant. The Deputy Clerk was asked to request again a visit from the conservation officer. She was asked to write to Ian Wright and Jonathan Short.

12. Update on correspondence with LCC Highways re junction of Blenheim Way and Towngate East

The Deputy Clerk informed the members that she had received a reply from LCC Highways stating that they saw no issue with the parking near the junction but if the Council could provide photographs with dates and times then they may be able to progress further with the Council's request. The Deputy Clerk was asked to reply to the residents who had complained asking them to provide the evidence

13. Update on the corner of Blenheim Way

The Deputy Clerk informed members that she had received photographs from KFE of two recent accidents on the bend. She was asked to make sure that these and any further correspondence is passed to the police

14. To update members on the information from the interactive Speed Sign

Cllr Brookes informed the members that he had not recently downloaded the data but would be doing this soon. He stated that comments had been posted on social media recently regarding

drivers trying to see how fast they could drive. The sign did have a top speed cut off and he would check what this was when he next downloaded the data.

15. Update on the contract for grass cutting the verges

Cllr Shelton updated the members on the meeting that had taken place with Deeping St James Parish Council on Monday 30th January. More accurate maps had now been provided, but the Council were still waiting for the outcome between SKDC and LCC as to whether they were cutting the verges in 2017/18. A draft contract had been supplied by the Clerk. Cllr Brookes asked if the contract could include that the litter must be picked up before the verges are mowed. It was proposed by Cllr Shelton, seconded by Cllr Lester and **RESOLVED** unanimously, assuming this Council is taking on the verge cutting, that it would begin on 1st April 2017 and three quotes would be obtained before a decision is made on the contractor used. This proposal would be taken to the next Full Council meeting.

16. Footpath 1: For members to receive an update

The Deputy Clerk was still waiting for a response from Andy Savage so was asked to chase it up

17. Footpath 4: Update on the condition and progress being made by SKDC & response to removal of footpath obstruction

The Deputy Clerk had received correspondence from Sharon James at LCC Countryside Services re a proposal to extinguish parts of footpath no. 4 and create an alternative footpath no. 1108. Councillors had been asked to give their comments on this.

Cllr Brookes informed the members of a press release from Charles Church stating that due to the construction of the new houses, the footpath had to be diverted and a temporary gravel path had been laid. This footpath was suitable for walking and cycling and would be a boost to the area. Cllr Brookes had sent an email to Deeping St James Parish Council and attended their allotments, footpaths and open spaces committee to discuss the proposal from LCC. Cllr Lester mentioned that the diversion seemed okay and was well constructed when the footpath met with the current field, but the social housing had been ill thought out. Cllr Brookes had visited the site and stated that there was still a dog leg bend and the path was only 1.4m wide when the standard width of a footpath is 2m.

8.05pm District Councillor Ashley Baxter arrived.

After a discussion, Councillors stated that they were concerned with the proposals for the section G to I. It was agreed to reply to LCC Countryside Services stating: the Councillors were not content with the amended route G to J. They objected to this proposal and believed that the diversion G to J needed further consultation. They were concerned about the fence at the end of the driveway which made the path look as though it was going to a dead end when coming from Tesco's. Concerns were also felt about the original path A to B which was going to be removed. When Tesco's was built planning conditions applied that the footpaths must conform to the width for cycle paths but these conditions had not applied when the application had been passed for Charles Church.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.20pm. The next meeting was scheduled for Wednesday 1st March at 7.00pm

Chairman signature.....

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