



Minutes of the Meeting of Darley Dale Town Council
Held in the Library at the Whitworth Centre, Darley Dale
on Thursday 14th December 2017

Present

Councillor M Myers(Vice-Chair in the Chair)
Councillors L Boardman, E Faulkner, T Haynes, A Long, I Pasteur, J Restrict ,D Ward and S Wilson

Also Present

1 member of the public

217/17 **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from M Hurford, M Mellor and Town Clerk (illness).

218/17 **Variation of Order of Business**

Resolvedthat Agenda Item28 -Update on Trading Matters at the Whitworth Centre, be moved to the end of the meeting and considered in Exempt.

219/17 **To consider the exclusion of the Press and Public.**

Resolvedthat in view of the confidential nature of this item the press and public be excluded from the Meeting in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, s1, in order to discuss Item28 -Trading Matters at the Whitworth Centre.

220/17 **Declarations of Interest**

None.

221/17 **Public Participation**

None.

222/17 **Report from Police and/or County/District Councillors**

None.

Comments to be submitted to the District Council on the following applications;

| Application | Address | Proposal | DDDC Planning Officer | Comments |
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| 17/01160/VCOND | Warney Road Two Dales Derbyshire DE4 2EW | Vary condition 4 of 17/00500/FUL to allow the use of Birchover quoins in the development, and the erection of a wall to the south-western boundary of the site | Helen Frith | NONE |
| 17/01134/FUL | Gregridge Orchard Lane Hackney Derbyshire DE4 2QF | Two-storey extension, single storey porch and demolition of chimney | Joseph Baldwin | NONE |
| 17/01113/FUL | Hoe Garth 36 Greenaway Lane Hackney Derbyshire DE4 2QB | Single storey extension and replacement detached garage | Andrew Ecclestone | NONE |

The following applications have been determined by the District Council;

| Application | Address | Proposal | DDDC Planning Officer | Comments |
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| 16/00370/AMD | The Beeches Hallmoor Road Darley Dale Derbyshire DE4 2HF | Non-material amendment – replace sets of doors on north west elevation with a single set of bi-fold doors | Helen Frith | Permitted |
| 17/00949/FUL | Mill Grange Knabb Road | Two-storey extension, erection of porch and link | Andrew | Permitted |

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| | Two Dales Derbyshire DE4 2FJ | extension and re-roofing | Ecclestone | |
| 17/00938/FUL | 6 Newall Way Darley Dale Derbyshire DE4 2TU | Convert part of a double garage into a utility room | Andrew Ecclestone | Permitted with conditions |
| 17/00862/FUL | 9 Darley House Estate Hackney Derbyshire DE4 2QG | Erection of 2 storey side extension and rear lean-to single storey extension | Andrew Ecclestone | Permitted with conditions |
| 17/01016/PDA | Nursery Farm Cottage Sydnop Hill Darley Moor Matlock Derbyshire DE4 5LN | Change of use of agricultural buildings to 2 dwelling houses (Use Class C3) and associated building operations | Helen Frith | Refused |
| 17/00946/FUL | 3 Buxton Terrace Sydnop Hill Two Dales Derbyshire DE4 2FN | Dormer window to front elevation | Andrew Ecclestone | Refused |
| 17/01081/FUL | Heatherbrae South Park Avenue Darley Dale Derbyshire DE4 2FY | Single storey rear extension | Andrew Ecclestone | Permitted with Conditions |
| 17/01026/FUL | Devonshire Court St ElphinsPark Darley Dale | Erection of entrance canopy | Andrew Ecclestone | Refused |

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| Derbyshire DE4 2RP | | | | |
| 17/00866/FUL | St Elphins Park Dale Road South Darley Dale Derbyshire | Erection of Four Residential Care Apartments | Helen Firth | With- drawn |
| 17/00865/FUL | St Elphins Park Dale Road South Darley Dale Derbyshire | Retain street lighting lamps erected around temporary care suite and installation of anti-glare shields to the lamps | Helen Frith | Permitted with Conditions |

224/17 **Minutes**

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council held on September 21st, 2017 be approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman, subject to amendments as follows; that Councillors J Restrick, M Myers and the Town Clerk all be noted as present.

225/17 **Finance**

The Town Council considered the schedule of payments to be made. It was also requested that at the next Meeting a full Budget Monitoring Report be presented.

RESOLVED that the schedule of bill payments detailed below be approved.

List of Payments

| <u>Date Paid</u> | <u>Payee Name</u> | <u>Reference</u> | <u>Amount Paid</u> | <u>Authorised Ref</u> | <u>Transaction Detail</u> |
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| 14/12/17 | DALC | 3601 | £60.00 | | Training |
| 14/12/17 | Gary Lowry | 3602 | £80.00 | | Window Cleaning |
| 14/12/17 | Whitworth Centre | 3603 | £2148.38 | | Services |
| | | | <u>+£429.68 VAT</u> | | |
| | | | £2578.06 | | |
| 14/12/17 | 2commune | 3604 | £400.00 | | Website Licence |
| | | | <u>+£80.00 VAT</u> | | |
| | | | £480.00 | | |
| 14/12/17 | Employees | 3605/6 | £1827.23 | | Salary |
| 14/12/17 | Employees | 3607 | <u>£258.29</u> | | HMRC |
| | | TOTAL | £5283.58 | | |

List of Income

226/17 Town Mayor's/ Chairman's Announcements

None.

227/17 Appointment of Vice Chair

No action necessary

228/17 Town Clerk's and Councillor's Update of Matters in Hand

None

229/17 New Councillors Update

None

230/17 Reports from Representatives on Outside Bodies and Working Parties

A request was made for any additional volunteers to help with Darley Dale in Bloom.

231/17 Twinning

Councillor Wilson gave an update on Twinning and reported that the Town Council would receive a Grant Application shortly to cover Insurance.

RESOLVED that the Twinning Committee be invited to the next Meeting of the Town Council to give a short presentation (maximum 10 minutes).

232/17 Trim Trail

Councillor Ward advised that work was ongoing, and further information would be provided as the project progressed. It was reported that further funding may be available via 'Rewards For All'. Councillors Boardman and Long agreed to look into this and report to a future Meeting.

233/17 Youth Development

Councillor Haynes reported that work on the Woodland Play Area was ongoing, and Developers had been approached for assistance. He advised that this would be his last Meeting due to work commitments, and would forward all outstanding information to the Clerk.

The Chair thanked Councillor Haynes for his hard work and support. It was requested that this item be included on the Agenda for the next Meeting, to nominate a replacement representative for Youth Development.

234/17 **Neighbourhood Plan Update**

Councillor Myers reported that the next Meeting would take place at the beginning of January 2018.

235/17 **Entrance to Tippin Park**

Councillor Faulkner reported that he had received complaints about the entrance to Tippin Park. However, it appeared that branches had been cut down from the offending trees, and he was pleased to report that the problem solved.

236/17 **The Whitworth Trust (Funding)**

It was reported that the Whitworth Trust had requested a grant of £20,000. This money was necessary to assist with cash flow, and to secure the use of the Community Rooms in the Centre, and the Park. There was currently a robust business plan being put into place by Directors to ensure financial stability, which was to be presented to Councillors at their next Meeting.

The Locum Clerk, having only worked at the Town Council part-time for approximately 2 weeks, advised Councillors that she was unable to provide advice on the legalities of the current request, and suggested that postponement of this decision until further investigation could be carried out, would be in the best interests of the Council. Councillors needed to approach the decision with caution, be satisfied how it was proposed to spend the money and also be able to justify the spending of public funds and ensure it was in accordance with all financial regulations.

Members held a full discussion on this matter, and whilst it was felt that governance issues for the Whitworth Centre were unclear, due to the long-standing funding provision precedent already set, they wished to go ahead with the funding proposal towards the provision of the Park and Community Rooms.

RESOLVED that the Council, as the Trustee of the Whitworth Trust, provide a grant of £20k towards securing the provision of the Community Rooms and Park for the local residents and groups of Darley Dale

237/17 **The Whitworth Trust (Nomination of Directors)**

Councillors were requested to nominate two additional Members of the Town Council to become Directors on the Boards of the Whitworth Centre.

RESOLVED that Cllrs Long and Myers be nominated as Town Council representatives on the Whitworth Centre Boards.

238/17 **The Whitworth Trust (Freedom of Information Request)**

A Freedom of Information Request had been received, and Councillors were asked to consider their response. Details were provided on options available, including applying an exemption, and considering the public interest test.

RESOLVED that this information be released in full.

239/17 **Payment for the Darley Dale Christmas Tree**

The Clerk reported that Derbyshire Dales District Council had withdrawn funding for the provision of the Town's Christmas Tree, so a replacement had been sourced at a cost of

approximately £500.00 for the provision, delivery and erection of the tree, plus £200.00 for the installation of the lights.

Noted that a tree had been sourced at a total estimated cost of £700.00, which would be invoiced shortly.

240/17 **Funding for the Provision of Power for a CCTV Camera**

It was reported that Derbyshire Dales District Council had received funding for a CCTV Camera to be sited on a temporary basis when required, on a lighting pole in the Park, and the Town Council were asked to assist with funding the provision of power to the light, at a cost of £250.00 + VAT.

RESOLVED that the Town Council contribute to the provision of the power in the Park up to a maximum cost of £250.00 + VAT.

241/17 **Closer Working with the District Council**

The District Council had sent a proposal for more structured working with the Town Council. They suggested informal quarterly Meetings with a Member of their Corporate Leadership Team, a Member of the Community Development Team along with the Clerk and Chairman of the Town Council.

RESOLVED that this proposal be accepted, and a Meeting be arranged on the return of the Town Clerk from sickness.

242/17 **Review of Darley Dale Public Toilets**

Derbyshire Dales District Council had written to the Town Council following a Review of Public Conveniences, to offer the toilets on Station Road as a Community Asset Transfer. Estimated running costs were included and a summary of the financial incentive.

RESOLVED that the Clerk write to the District Council to advise that currently the Town Council were not in a position to accept this offer, but would be grateful for the opportunity to discuss further options at a time convenient to the District Council.

243/17 **Correspondence and Information Received**

The Clerk advised Members that a News Update from Derbyshire Dales, a DALC Circular and a Rural Opportunities Bulletin had all been received and were available to all Members.

244/17 **Date of Next Meeting**

The date of the next Meeting was confirmed as Thursday 18th January 2018.

245/17 **Public Participation**

A Member of the Public reported that he was interested in becoming a Councillor, and had already made initial contact with Members. The Chair responded that he would be most welcome, and further details would be provided to him as soon as possible. He also reported that he had sent in a request to plant some rhododendrons in the park, but was

disappointed that he had not received a formal response. It was agreed that a response be forwarded on this matter as soon as possible.

246/17 **To consider the exclusion of the Press and Public**

RESOLVED that in view of the confidential nature of this item the press and public be excluded from the meeting in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, s1, in order to discuss the following items.

247/17 **Update on Trading Matters at the Whitworth Centre**

Councillor Ward reported that there would be a meeting of the Trading Board on Tuesday 19th December 2017. Any relevant information would be emailed to all Members.

Councillor Ward also announced that she was stepping down from as Chair of the Whitworth Trust but would remain as a Trustee. The Chair thanked her for her work and contribution at the Centre, and that she would be greatly missed.

The meeting closed at 8.50pm.