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TOWN COUNCIL**
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Minutes of the Meeting of Darley Dale Town Council
Held in the Library at the Whitworth Centre, Darley Dale
on Thursday 15th February 2018

Present

Councillor M Mellor (Chair) and Councillors Boardman, Faulkner, Myers, Pasteur, Ward and Wilson.

Also Present

Anna Gillings (Gillings Planning) and Max Paddick (Frontier Estates).

2 members of the public and D. Townsend (Locum Clerk).

290/18 **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Hurford (illness), Stewart (illness), Long and Restrick.

291/18 **Variation of Order of Business**

None.

292/18 **To Consider the Exclusion of the Press and Public.**

None.

293/18 **Declarations of Interest**

None.

294/18 **Public Participation**

Anna Gillings (Gillings Planning) and Max Paddick (Frontier Estates), gave an update regarding the proposed development on the former Servo site. An outline of the proposal was provided, and details given on concerns that had been raised during the public consultation. Concerns included pedestrian access, visual impact and staffing. It was reported that talks were currently taking place with possible Operators, and it was hoped that the development would be completed by 2021. It was requested that the Town Clerk email a copy of Darley Dale's Place Analysis directly to Anna Gillings.

Mr K. Senior provided an overview of Town Twinning. He reported that 2019 would be the 30th anniversary of the twinning link with Onzain. He added that the twinning committee urgently needed new members to enable them to continue, and develop further successful links. If new members weren't forthcoming it was believed that it wouldn't be possible for Darley Dale to maintain an active Twinning Association.

Mr Senior had collected certain Twinning items from the cellar at the Whitworth Centre, and asked if the Town Council would consider displaying these, along with any gifts that might be found.

Mr Senior also asked if the Council could provide extra funds for running costs, assistance with promoting Town Twinning, and help in recruiting more volunteers. It was confirmed that there was a Town Twinning item on every Agenda, and suggested that this be discussed at the next meeting of the Town Council.

A member of the public asked why many of the noticeboards had no information, and were not updated with dates of Meetings etc. The Chair responded that this would be considered, but the statutory Notice of Meeting was always displayed at the Whitworth Centre.

295/18 **Report from Police and/or County/District Councillors**

None.

296/18 **Planning**

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

Application	Address	Proposal	DDDC Planning Officer	Comments
18/00104/FUL	St Elphins Cottage, Blind Lane, Hackney DE4 2QE	Retention of agricultural building with office and rest area above (retrospective)	Gareth Griffiths	That the Town Council object to this application, due to concerns that the planning application does not reflect the current development. In addition, if the application is granted, it be a condition that the lower floor be used for agricultural purposes only, and the top half is not to be used as a residential dwelling.

18/0111/FUL	Land South of Woodside Farm, Back Lane, Darley Moor, Matlock	Erection of agricultural workers dwelling	Gareth Griffiths	That there be no objection, subject to a condition that it be used for agricultural occupancy only.
18/00174/FUL	1 Church Rd, Churchtown, Darley Dale, DE4 2GG	Single storey side and rear extensions	Andrew Ecclestone	That there be no objection, subject to any development being in keeping and sympathetic to the character of the local area.
18/00087/FUL	16 Park Lane, Two Dales, DE4 2FB	Single storey front porch	Andrew Ecclestone	No objection
18/00071/FUL	Forest Nurseries Ltd, Oddford Lane, Darley Dale, DE4 2EX	Erection of twin span polytunnel greenhouse		No objection

No applications had been determined by the District Council following the previous Meeting.

297/18 **Minutes**

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council held on January 18th 2018, and the Minutes of the Extraordinary Meetings of the Town Council held on January 31st 2018 and 6th February 2018, be approved as true records and signed by the Chairman.

298/18 **Finance**

The Town Council considered the schedule of payments to be made.

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

List of Payments

Date Paid	Payee Name	Reference	Amount Paid	Transaction Detail
14/02/2018	Salisbury & Wood	3619	1921.14	Grit
14/02/2018	Flag Shop	3620	7.99	Flag Shop
14/02/2018	Gary Lowry Window Cleaning	3621	160.00	Bus Shelters Nov & Jan

14/02/2018	Darley Dale Brass Band	3622	100.00	Community Support - Events
14/02/2018	Salisbury and Wood	3623	360.18	Grit
14/02/2018	Whitworth Trading	3624	1295.80	Office Rent, Toilets, Stationery
14/02/2018	Employees	3625	258.29	HMRC
14/02/2018	Employees	3626	1156.43	Administration
14/02/2018	Employees	3627	333.20	Superannuation
Total Monthly Expenditure			£5593.03	

299/18 **Town Mayor's/ Chairman's Announcements**

The Chairman reported that she had attended Matlock Cycle Club's prize-giving. The Town Clerk was asked to send a letter of thanks for the invite.

300/18 **Town Clerk's and Councillor's Update of Matters in Hand**

A report was circulated providing an update from the Town Clerk, which included;

- The request for the bus stop opposite St Elphins had been turned down as the space available did not satisfy current accessibility requirements.
- Ongoing issues with pot holes on the A6 latest of concern being reported at the bottom of the Parkway. Emails sent to DCC regarding this and Councillor Atkin had confirmed this would be rectified in March 2018.
- Pantomime booked for December 21st and 22nd 2018, due to schools breaking up late this year, (21st December) performances would be 7.00pm on the 21st and 10.00am on the 22nd. An additional performance was being trialled this year due to the popularity of recent years.
- Complaint regarding broken ground/potholes on Columbell Way from a resident and concern raised as neighbour had limited mobility issues and she was apprehensive of falling. E mails sent to seek support.
- In discussion with the local police and DDDC regarding payment (as agreed at December meeting) for supply of power to temporary CCTV at the Tipping.
- Ongoing works on website for the Neighbourhood Plan.
- Arrangements made for all the grit bins in the Town to be refilled and several grit bins replaced.
- Cheque arranged for Darley Dale Brass Band in recognition for their continued support at Community events in 2017 (£100).
- Introduction of a new article for Community Voice. A Town Clerks update to help create awareness of the work of the Town Council, first article sent to the Editor.
- Request for no entry sign on OkerAvenue, emails sent, responses awaited.

- Problem notified by a local resident with a footpath near the garage and difficulties regarding access with a mobility scooter, awaiting return call from resident with location and precise details of complaint.

301/18 **Reports from Representatives on Outside Bodies and Working Parties**

Councillor Pasteur reported that Darley Dale in Bloom was entering the East Midlands in Bloom competition in 2018.

It was also reported that there would be a town trail during Fairtrade fortnight, which was taking place between 26th February and 11th March 2018. Entries should be forwarded to either Councillor Pasteur, the Whitworth Centre or the Churches. In addition, there would be two coffee mornings on 2nd March at the Methodist Hall and 3rd March at Wensley Reading Room.

302/18 **Community Grants (S137) Awards**

RESOLVED that the following organisations be awarded the amounts of grant aid as detailed below. However, this is subject to the Memory Lane Grant being confirmed as correct, by the Town Clerk;

Derwent & Wye Valley Railway Trust	£100
Darley Dale and District Twinning	£117
Whitworth Billiards Club	£250
Darley Dale Cricket Club	£500
Memory Lane	£407
First Taste	£200
Matlock & Surrounding area 50+ group	<u>£100</u>
Total	£1674.00

303/18 **Twinning**

Councillor Wilson confirmed that he had advised the Town Twinning Committee of his new email address to enable there to be more regular updates.

RESOLVED that Town Twinning be discussed in full at the next Meeting, and the Town Clerk compile a brief report outlining the history of Town Twinning in Darley Dale and the duties of the Town Council.

304/18 **Trim Trail**

No further update.

305/18 **Youth Development**

It was reported that the Town Clerk had requested all outstanding information be sent back to the Town Council as soon as possible.

306/18 **Neighbourhood Plan Update**

The next consultation on the Neighbourhood Plan was due to start on 12th March 2018, and would last for 6 weeks. The Plan would be emailed to all statutory consultees and public participation sought at a Public Meeting on 26th March. All Councillors were encouraged to engage with the process and they were invited to a consultation Meeting to take place

before the next Council meeting, between 6 – 7 pm on 15th March 2018, in the Library at the Whitworth Centre.

307/18 **The Whitworth Trust**

Due to there being many recent new Members, it was requested that the Town Council support the process of securing and funding a report in order to fully establish understanding for all Councillors and Trustees, of the Governance arrangements of the Whitworth Centre.

RESOLVED that the Town Clerk, in consultation with Councillors Boardman and Long produce a briefing document of requirements to clarify the governance arrangements, including the roles and responsibilities of the Town Council, it's Members and Trustees, for Whitworth Centre (Company No. 06330264/ Charity No. 1122436), and Whitworth Centre Trading Ltd (Company No. 06780161), and any associated organisations. This document then to be forwarded to solicitors to provide a quotation to carry out this work. Due to an existing firm of solicitors having been involved in setting up the current arrangements, it was agreed that much of the work had already been done, and, due to this, three quotations would not be required at this time, as no other firm had the existing knowledge.

308/18 **White Peak Loop- Update**

Councillor Mellor reported that she had a meeting with regards to signing the agreement for the White Peak Loop, but added that there were still concerns over the drainage on the football pitch and the entrance to the Park from Willow Way.

309/18 **Correspondence and Information Received**

None.

310/18 **Update on Trading Matters at the Whitworth Centre**

None.

311/18 **Date of Next Meeting**

The date of the next Meeting was confirmed as Thursday 15th March 2018.

312/18 **Public Participation**

A member of the public asked for clarification of Item 18 - The Whitworth Trust. The Chairman responded that this item was only due to there being new Members, and there being a need to clarify the governance arrangements for the Whitworth Centre.

The Meeting closed at 8.55 pm.