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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 20th September 2018

Present

Councillor Boardman in the Chair

Councillors Askham, Faulkner, Long, Mellor, Myers, Restrict, Pasteur and Ward

13 members of the public and Town Clerk.

431/18 **Apologies of Absence**
Apologies received from Councillor Wilson (holiday)

432/18 **Variation of Order of Business**
Item 15 personnel moved to private session.

433/18 **To consider the exclusion of the Press and Public.**
No exclusions

434/18 **Declarations of Interest**
No Declarations.

435/18 **Public Participation**
Members of the public commented:-

A representation was made to support the planning application 18/00924/OUT, Rotherwood. This covered consultations which had occurred, comments from DDDC Tree Officer, planning, highways and landscape issues.

A member of the public expressed concerns at plans to close Orchard Cottage, a 4 bed and nursing care facility which provides support to relieve regular carers. by providing learning disability respite care, which his disabled daughter uses and benefits from greatly. It appears to be a possible proposed budget cut by North Derbyshire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) who are reviewing the respite break service provided by five local units in North Derbyshire ,but no alternative provision is being offered to the family so they are very concerned.

He was asked to outline on an email to the Town Clerk the decrease in services which have been provided over the last few years and Councillor Long and Myers offered to look into this.



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A question was posed as to what is happening with the Public toilets in Darley Dale. The Chair explained a response is awaited from DDDC .

A question was posed regarding listing of the telephone box near the Grouse Public House and it being used to house a defibrillator. It was agreed this would be looked into.

The Planning Manager from Audley spoke regarding the revised plans for planning application 18/00971/FUL at St Elphins. The initial plans had been withdrawn and after further consultation with the Planning Officer at DDDC new plans were being submitted in a more sensitive design and single storey as opposed to the initial 2 story. The plans are based around a small courtyard and are more rural in design. Additional planting will help assimilate the properties into the bund.

The proposed site is the former car park and would provide a further 4 care units of which there is a need within the Community.

The revised application works to the new guidance within the recently adopted Local Plan for Derbyshire Dales.

Several speakers spoke against the proposed development at St Elphins, their main concerns being the development is planned for land outside the previously agreed "ropeline" . Concerns being strongly felt that once this line is breached there will be further applications generated for further housing units. The Objectors stated there are 25 units currently available for sale therefore why are more needed and Audley have another application in the planning system(August) for redevelopment of a cottage for 2 further care units. They considered that profit led the applications and not need .

Further questions were posed to both parties relating to the car park and the fact a temporary building had been situated there for many years, to the need for specialist accommodation for the elderly as identified in the Local Plan

436/18 Report from Police and/or County/District Councillors

No reports

437/18 Planning

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



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Application	Address	Proposal	Comments
18/01000/FUL	Grange Cottage 35 Greenaway Lane Hackney Derbyshire DE4 2QB	Grange Cottage 35 Greenaway Lane Hackney Derbyshire DE4 2QB	No Objection
18/00962/FUL	Building To The East Of Highlands Whitworth Road Darley Dale Derbyshire	Extension to and conversion of building from an implement store to a dwelling house (use class - C3)	No Objection
18/00960/FUL	Darley Lodge Dale Road South Darley Dale Derbyshire DE4 3BP	Erection of residential care home (C2 use), conversion of Darley Lodge to form 7no. apartments (C3 use), erection of 3no. dwellings (C3 use) and demolition of buildings onsite	No Objection The Town Council would like to formally record and thank the developer for their proactive approach and willingness to attend Town Council meetings as part of their pre submission process. They would also like to state their preferred version of the Plans was version 1 however the District Council requested a different approach, hence this application.
18/00971/FUL	St Elphins Park Darley Dale Derbyshire	Erection of Four Residential Care Apartments (Resubmission)	Considerable discussion occurred between Councillors regarding the St Elphins application, points being raised that there was a national need for increased care units due to the aging population, the need to support local residents as per the views expressed at the meeting,, historical issues, the improved nature of the revised plans etc. A vote was taken resulting in 5 votes to support the application and 4 votes to object. The Town Council will therefore record , No Objection, to the application.
18/00958/FUL	Building To Rear Of Doone Cottage Ladygrove Road Two Dales Derbyshire	Change of use to dwelling (Use Class - C3)	No Objection



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18/00858/FUL	Cotefield House Blind Lane Hackney Derbyshire DE4 2QE	Single storey side extension, extension to rear terrace and alterations to parking area	No Objection
18/00924/OUT	Rotherwood Dale Road South Darley Dale Derbyshire DE4 3BP	Outline application for the construction of 2 dwellings with all matters reserved except access	No Objection

The following applications have been determined by the District Council to date

Application	Address	Proposal	DDDC Planning Officer	Comments
18/00592/FUL	268 Bakewell Road Matlock Derbyshire DE4 3BN	Convert existing annexe roof into a roof terrace		Permitted with conditions
18/00613/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

438/18 Minutes

RESOLVED that the minutes were accepted as a true record.

439/18 Finance

The Town Council considered the schedule of payments to be made.
The Town Clerk reported that the External Auditor has posed some additional questions arising from the Annual Return.

RESOLVED –That the schedule of bill payments detailed below be approved and the reports noted.



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List of payments-September 2018

Date Paid	Payee Name	Reference	Amount Paid £	Transaction Detail
12/09/2018	LM Creative	3585	1335	Community Voice
12/09/2018	2commune	3586	480	Annual website license
12/09/2018	National Ass of Local Council	3587	17	LCR magazine
12/09/2018	DALC	3588	104.5	Evaluation Service
12/09/2018	Whitworth Trading	3589	2342.53	Office rent, grass verges, sta
12/09/2018	Platts Harris	3590	191.83	Platts Harris
12/09/2018	Gary Lowry Window Cleaning	3592	180	Bus Shelters
12/09/2018	Salisbury and Wood	3593	184.2	New grit bin/grit-Morledge
12/09/2018	Society Local Clerks	3594	90	Regional Seminar
12/09/2018	SLCC	3595	81.99	Reference Council books/Training
20/09/2018	Employees	3596	612.21	employees
20/09/2018	Employees	3597	188.8	Employee
20/09/2018	Employees	3598	1190.36	Employees
20/09/2018	Employees	3600	203.1	Employees-replacement cheque
20/09/2018	HMRC	3599	261.19	PAYE & NI
20/09/2018	Darley Dale in Bloom	3661	800	Autumn Planting
20/09/2018	Derbyshire County Council	3662	334.05	Superannuation
Total Payments			8596.76	

440/18 Town Mayor's/ Chairman's Announcements (if any)

The Mayor reported that :-

- she was attending the Darley Dale in Bloom Celebratory Event on 21st September and all Councillors were invited to hear the results from the recent East Midlands in Bloom visit.
- The 30th anniversary of Twinning will occur in 2019
- The Fireworks event will be held in the Whitworth Park on 2nd November, offers of help would be appreciated
- The Chair, Vice Chair and Town Clerk are to meet with representatives from the District Council to consider "Closer Working with District"



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441/18 Town Clerk's and Councillor's update of matters in hand

- Audit Queries from External Auditor
- Paperwork and advertising prepared for Community Grants, closing date 31/10/18
- Planning commenced for Remembrance Day Service
- Planning commenced for Christmas
- Draft Grants Policy prepared for Whitworth Grants
- Watching brief regarding closure of public toilets in Darley Dale
- Allotments administration relating to offering new plots, rents etc
- Several maintenance type jobs being planned/chased
- Works being undertaken on maintenance of footpaths across the Town including Grit Bin Survey in preparation for Winter
- Comprehensive policy documents for GDPR produced and drafts circulated to Councillors for comment, August 2018

Pending

- Flooding complaint at Church Road allotments, chased again 11/7/18
- Letters to DDDC regarding dog fouling and Police re anti social behaviour , The Police have responded asking for further details, Councillors have been emailed to provide this information, responses still awaited.
- Complaint regarding broken ground/potholes on Columbell Way from a resident and concern raised as neighbour has limited mobility issues and she is apprehensive of falling. E mails sent to seek support. Visited on 18/4/18 and still not done, Town Clerk now liaising with DDDC regarding an offer made of small area of resurfacing (11/7/2018)
- There has been a request for an additional grit bin on the estate as the recent bad weather has highlighted concerns with the hill are of the Estate, Councillor Mellor has attended a site meeting. Town Clerk placed order, bin now delivered.
- Request for no entry sign on Oker avenue, emails sent, responses awaited
- Replacement items (mower and trailer) are required for Town Council grounds maintenance works, approx costs £2500. Working with Tony Umney on details. No previous expenditure in this area in 4 years other than repair costs which for the mower is now beyond economical repair.
- Highways issues currently being dealt with involve access A6 from Whitworth road and excess traffic congestion Station Road/A6. Further details following site visit have been requested.



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- Complaints from several local residents regarding ruined grass verges near the Coop, liaison with DCC and DDDC

442/18 Update on the Whitworth Centre and Trading Matters

Councillor Alan Long, Chair of the Whitworth Trust reported that

- a new trustee has been appointed, Simon Gill who is Operations Director at Cromford Mill
- Liam Coleman is to start as the new General Manager of the Whitworth Centre on September 24th.
- The newly introduced investment plan 18/19 has prioritised as the first area for action as the new kitchen project along with areas of essential maintenance.
- Whitworth Arts Council, Manchester have visited the Centre, an organisation that Joseph Whitworth also initiated.
- An event is being planned for Armistice Day

443/18 Reports from Representatives on Outside Bodies and Working Parties

Councillor Pasteur reported that the Fair-trade status had been renewed for a further 2 years. The Certificate will be presented at a future Council meeting.

444/18 Councillor Vacancies

The Chair and Vice Chair have met with Anne Welch regarding one of the Councillor vacancies.

445/18 GDPR Documentation

The Town Clerk had previously circulated to all Councillors a suite of Draft policy documents to bring DDTC into compliance as regards the new General Data Protection Regulations. These include

- Data Protection Policy
- Data Privacy Notice
- Information Security Incident Policy
- Vexatious Policy
- GPDR Action Plan

It was **RESOLVED to** accept the Draft documents as Council Policy Documents.



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446/18 Grant Procedure for Whitworth Grants

The Town Clerk had previously circulated to all Councillors a Draft Grants Procedure for payments of grants to the Whitworth Centre.

It was **RESOLVED** to accept the Draft documents as a Council Policy Document.

447/18 Neighbourhood Plan Update

Councillor Myers reported that the Neighbourhood Plan was reaching the stage of submission .Final works were being undertaken and then it would be submitted to DDDC under Regulation 15 of the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations 2012

448/18 Community Grants

The Town Council Clerk circulated a batch of documents to provide full information for Councillors relating to the Community Grants which have recently been advertised including

- Grant Criteria
- Poster
- Application form
- Action plan/Timescale
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It was suggested that a grant ceiling should be stated, this will be implemented at £500.

449/18 Correspondence/Information

Correspondence has been referred to during the meeting, 1 further item was reported

Invitation from First Taste to Councillors to attend their AGM at 7.00pm on 15/10/2018 in the Lady Whitworth Room, The Whitworth Centre.

450/18 Public Participation

Concern was again expressed at youths hanging around the Plantation, adjacent to the Tipping late at night. Concern was expressed in case of fires occurring from discarded cigarettes and an increase in discarded beer cans.

The Town Clerk to speak to the local police again and again stress the need for some action. In addition , the option of some of the trees/shrubbery being cut down to open up the area as a deterrent, letters to be written to the landowner and Council Tree Officer.



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Concerns were expressed at the large number of signs being erected advertising a business at Molyneux Business Park, which affects vision on the road junction. The Town Clerk is already dealing with this after a member of the public complained

Vision at the junction of Whitworth Road and the A6 was mentioned as becoming obscured due to an increase in parked cars close to the junction, the Town Clerk to write to Highways and chase up the previous request for yellow lines in this area.

A member of the Public questioned why the minutes of the Whitworth Trust were no longer available at Town Council meetings and requested they be available in the future.

A member of the Public suggested that previous local Councillors who were involved with Twinning at the beginning be involved with the 30th anniversary celebrations.

452/18 Date of Next Meeting

It was **RESOLVED** that the next meeting of the Council is to be held on Thursday 18th October 2018.

Confidential Information

RESOLVED that in view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted the public and press be excluded from the remainder of the meeting

453/18 Personnel Matters

Cllr Boardman informed the council of the Job Evaluation process being undertaken by DALC. The Council will be updated as this exercise progresses.

The Council voted to authorise the payment of historic Holiday Pay due to the Clerk.

Meeting closed 21:00