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Minutes of Meeting of Darley Dale Town Council

Held in the Library at the Whitworth Centre, Darley Dale

At 7.00 pm on Thursday 17th December 2015

Present

Councillor J Evans in the Chair

Councillors S Bettany, S Bacon, A Creese, E Faulkner, T Haynes, M Mellor, I Pasteur, D Ward, S Wilson

Also Present

Councillor Statham (DDDC)

Five Members of the Public

.742/15 **Apologies for absence**

Councillor J Wild (DCC)

743/15 **Variation of Order of Business**

It was agreed to move item 21, Darley Dale in Bloom to item 5

744/15 **Declarations of Interest**

Councillor Evans declared an interest in the Stancliffe Hall planning application

745/15 **Public Participation**

A representative from Darley Dale in Bloom presented the proposed planting plans for 2016.

A member of the public spoke on behalf of local residents and Darley Hillside residents association against the proposed housing development at Stancliffe Hall.

A member of the public spoke on behalf of local residents of Farley against the planning application and part retrospective planning for agricultural buildings at Ameycroft Farm, a site which has a long history of planning issues.

746/15 **Report from Police and/or County/District Councillors**

Councillor Statham (DDDC) spoke of the emerging Local Plan and the need for development sites.

747/15 **Darley Dale in Bloom**

It was agreed that future planting plans would be circulated via the Town clerk in advance as per the Heads of Agreement.

Thanks were expressed to Darley Dale in Bloom for all their hard work and compliments made regarding the new design of the flowerbeds at Greenaway Lane.

748/15 **Planning**

The following applications have been determined by the District Council.

No	Application Number	Description and Details	Applicant	Comments
1.	15/00747/CM	S73 Application to not comply with Condition 5 of permission number CD3/1214/122 by working 07.00-12.00 on Saturday. The working times for Monday to Friday remain the same.	White Peak Loop Station Road/Church Road Darley Dale Derbyshire	No Objection
2.	15/00758/FUL	First floor side extension	16A Hackney Road Hackney Derbyshire DE4 2PW	Permitted with Conditions

3.	15/00806/PDA	Change of use of agricultural building to dwelling house (Use Class C3) and associated building operations	Nursery Farm Cottage Sydnope Hill Darley Moor Matlock Derbyshire DE4 5LN	Prior Approval Not Require
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Comments to be submitted to the District Council on the following applications.

4.	15/00889/FUL	Erection of garage	Mr and Mrs Walker Knab Hall Knabb Road Two Dales Derbyshire DE4 2FJ	No Objection
5.	15/00846/OUT	Residential development of up to 41 dwellings and access (outline)	Miss D K Fearn Stancliffe Hall Whitworth Road Darley Dale Derbyshire DE4 2HJ	Objection for reasons of ;- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It would be inconsistent for the District Council to award planning consent for this development having refused consent for a site of 8 houses just 500 metres away, and having defended that refusal at a planning appeal hearing on 8 December 2015. • The site is unsustainable, being over a mile from the nearest post office, 3.7 miles from the nearest bank. • Contravenes local planning policy and emerging new Local Plan and Darley Dale Neighbourhood Plan • Destroys the view of Stancliffe Hall for walkers

				<p>along Whitworth Road</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Highways issues, traffic generation and highway safety entering and leaving the A6 from Whitworth Road • Deficiencies in social facilities
	15/00814/OUT	Residential development of up to 57 dwellings (outline)	<p>Mr A Statham, Mr G Thomas & Mrs A Thomas</p> <p>Land Adjacent Bakewell Road, Matlock Derbyshire</p>	<p>Objection for reasons of ;-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contravenes local planning saved policies and emerging new Local Plan and Darley Dale Neighbourhood Plan, in particular the extension of urban sprawl and loss of “green spaces” separating Matlock and Darley Dale • Concern of increases to flooding • Loss of outlook towards the Peak District National Park, Bonsall Moor, and views from the National Park will be affected. • Highways issues, traffic generation and highway safety • Deficiencies in social facilities
6.	15/00850/FUL	Formation of agricultural access	Mrs B Duggan Land At Station Road, Darley Dale, Derbyshire	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Objection - Highways issues, traffic generation and highway safety
7.	T/15/00118/TP	Works to	Mr Michael Brown	No Objection

	O	trees subject to Tree Preservation Order TPO 77	47 Stanton Moor View Matlock Derbyshire DE4 3NE	
8.	T/15/00108/TPO	Works to trees subject to Tree Preservation Order TPO 10	Mr Gilbert 2 Porteous Close Two Dales Derbyshire DE4 2EN	No Objection
9.	T/15/00109/TPO	Works to trees subject to Tree Preservation Order TPO 10	Mr Burnham 4 Porteous Close Two Dales Derbyshire DE4 2EN	No Objection
10.	15/00813/FUL	Replacement dwelling house	Mr and Mrs Rouse Little Fircliffe Whitworth Road Darley Dale Derbyshire DE4 2HJ	No Objection
11.	15/00717/FUL	Demolition of redundant poultry sheds and erection of two business agricultural buildings, retention of retaining wall and alterations to parking area/access (Part Retrospective)	Mr M Slack Ameycroft Farm Bowler Lane Farley Derbyshire DE4 5LR	Objection for reasons of ;- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Imposition of industrial area on a rural settlement which is incompatible and unacceptable in a rural area • contravention of local plans and emerging new local plan and Darley Dale neighbourhood plan • Highways issues, traffic generation and highway safety • Visual intrusion. The layout and density/height of the building design, visual appearance is totally

				<p>unacceptable</p> <p>Furthermore the Town Council wishes to request that due to the history of this site, ongoing historical issues/concerns and contraventions of planning legislation are taken into account when that this application is scrutinised.</p>
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Councillor Evans left the meeting for the duration of the discussion on the Stancliffe Hall planning application and returned on completion of the discussion.

The Chairman reported he had attended the Planning appeal relating to the proposed Highlands development, a decision is awaited.

The Town Clerk reported that the planning application by Waters for additional lorry storage at Darley Bridge has been withdrawn.

749/15 **Minutes**

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Town Council held on 19th November 2015 be approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

749/15 **Finance**

The Town Council considered the schedule of payments to be made and the budget reports presented

RESOLVED –

That the schedule of bill payments detailed below is approved and the reports noted

Darley Dale Town Council

Cheque requests as at December 2015

Chq number	Supplier	Description	Budget Item	Total
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3301	British Legion	Poppy Wreaths	Environmental	76.00
3305	Administration	Salary November	Administration	1,043.00
3306	HMRC	PAYE Nov & Dec	Administration	412.06
3307	Wish Cloud	E mail hosting	IT	240.00
3308	Administration	Salary December	Administration	1,043.00
3309	DCC	Superannuation Nov & Dec	Administration	567.96
3310	B Smith	Salary	Administration	137.60
3311	Whitworth Centre	Room Hire, Toilets & verges	Room Hire & Environmental	2,702.25
3312	SLCC	SLCC	Subscriptions	187.00
3313	G Lowry	Bus Shelters	Bus Shelters	80.00
3314	The Whitworth Centre	Remembrance Tea & Carol Service refreshments	Hospitality	194.99
			TOTAL	6,683.86

The cheque signatories were confirmed as Councillors Evans, Faulkner, Mellor and Pasteur.

The Town Clerk as Responsible Finance Officer talked through the finances of the Council, Budget expenditure to date and the variance analysis.

For a number of years expenditure has exceeded income. The precept has not been increased for approximately ten years despite costs and other commitments increasing which has resulted in a reduction in the financial reserves of the Town .

This is not a sustainable position and when the Finance and General Purposes Committee met to set the 2016/17 budget it was agreed this situation needed to be resolved.

The proposed budget, broken down to individual sub budget headings and based on a considerably smaller shortfall than in previous years (detailed on the spread sheet circulated at the meeting), was presented to Council.

Discussion occurred around the budget, proposals and precept level and from this it was **RESOLVED** to set the budget as presented and request an increased precept level of £90,000.

Councillor Bacon left the meeting

750/15 **Town Mayor/Chairman's Announcements**

No announcements

751/15 **Town Clerk's and Councillors' update of matters in hand.**

Oker Estate Footpath-This path has now been actioned however there is no dropped kerb, This has been chased up with 3 emails being sent to Mike

Galsworthy, Property Services DDDC to no avail. A further email to be sent and a request to be made to Councillor Wild for support on this issue.

Christmas The Carol Service was well received. It was **RESOLVED** to send a £100 cheque to Darley Dale brass Band in recognition of their support to the Council by playing at Civic events.

The Town Council Pantomime, Aladdin, is to be held on December 21st at the Whitworth Centre

The Town Council has purchased new lights for the Christmas tree this year which have been well received due to their increased brightness.

Community Grants are currently available for organisations to apply for, the closing date is 4/1/16

Local Food Store. The Town clerk has spoken to the manager regarding the issue of lorries and a site meeting is proposed which the Town Clerk will setup, to include Councillors Mellor and Ward.

752/15 **Reports from Representatives on outside bodies**

There were no updates at this meeting.

753/15 **Reports from Working Parties**

There were no updates at this meeting.

754/15 **The Whitworth Centre**

The minutes from the meeting on 9th December were circulated.

The Chairman of the trust reported that ongoing discussions were being held with Claire O'Reilly DCC regarding the multipurpose trail on which work has started.

The new General Manager for the Whitworth Centre, Mike Blair, is to start formally on 4/1/16

Councillor Mellor reported that the new stones have been put around the Whitworth Graves at St Helens Church. Councillors thanked Councillor Mellor for her help in this matter.

755/15 **Neighbourhood Plan Update**

Councillor Creese provided a brief update, stating the website is in the process of having more documents and information added.

The draft Neighbourhood Plan was circulated to Councillors though it was pointed out that the policies need to be revised and the planning consultant is working on these revisions. Councillors were asked to keep the document confidential until the revised policies have been introduced, to prevent incorrect information being given to residents.

756/15 **Report on Local Plan**

Councillors Evans and Creese reported that a reply to the consultation process relating to the Local Plan had been sent to the District Council, as requested by Councillors at the last Town Council Meeting. Within this there was the request to consider the prospect of a new village concept in response to the need to build a large number of houses within the District and only limited sites being currently available.

It was **RESOLVED** to send a copy of this response to other Town Councils and Parishes in the District (external to the National Park) for information purposes.

The Town Clerk and Councillor Evans and Creese to action this.

757/15 **Dale Road North**

A draft agreement (lock out clause) is in the process of being put together with the developers.

758/15 **Update on Oker residents Association**

A grant has been secured for room hire etc from Dales Housing to assist with activities.

A motion was passed at 9.00pm to continue for a further 30 minutes in line with Standing Orders

759/15 **Trees at Willow Way**

The Town Clerk is in the process of contacting a tree surgeon regarding the tree issue.

760/15 **Play area at Greenaway Lane**

Councillor Haynes has secured support for the project from the school Governors however the advice is that the project has to be dealt with by the Department of Education as it refers to lands belonging to school. This will extend the time line.

761/15 **Digital Derbyshire**

Kerry Bailey, the project manager of Digital Derbyshire, will attend the January Council meeting.

762/15 **Update on Councillor Vacancies**

There are 2 Council vacancies and 2 people showing interest, the town clerk will follow this up in the New Year.

763/15 **Councillor Training Update**

Councillors Bacon, Haynes and Wilson attended attend the Induction Training for new Councillors on 9/12/15 run by DALC.

764/15 **Fairtrade**

Councillor Pasteur provided an update on Fairtrade and stated that Fairtrade fortnight will be held in February.

765/15 **Correspondence and Information Received**

A letter has been received from DCC regarding the minerals Local Plan which can be found at www.tiny.cc/MinsPlan along with an option to comment on line.

766/15 **Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be 21st January 2016

767/15 **Public Participation**

A member of the public questioned whether the Neighbour Plan group had consulted with Community Groups within the Town.

The Chairman wished all Councillors Merry Christmas and extended thanks for their work over the Year.

The meeting closed at 9.25pm