

RESOURCES & PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING**MONDAY, 21ST JANUARY 2019**

Present: Cllr L. Samiotis (Chair), Cllr P. Allen, Cllr C. Blake, Cllr K. Bond, Cllr P. Conquest, Cllr B. Cutts, Cllr R. Dallyn, Cllr J. Hart, Cllr M. Johns, Cllr J. Lynch, Cllr S. McMurray, Cllr D. Tarbun

1. Apologies for Absence

Cllr C. Lofts, Cllr D. Reynolds, Cllr J. White

2. Declarations of Interest

None

3. Open to the Public

No members of the public were present.

4. Minutes of MeetingsProposal

Cllr Johns proposed that the Minutes of the Resources & Planning Committee Meeting held on Monday, 10th December 2018 be signed by the Chair as a true record; seconded by Cllr P. Conquest; all in favour

5. Matters Arising from the MinutesMinute Page 18/12/158

The Clerk referred to previous discussions regarding the maintenance of open spaces from the Tove Grange development and confirmed that, from information received from South Northamptonshire Council, the public open space arising from both the Wood Burcote and Southern Urban Extension will only be offered by the developers on a long-term lease and the freehold of the land will not be relinquished. The Clerk is still awaiting a written response from SNC Assistant Director of Planning & Economy, Jim Newton, to concerns raised by the TC and will follow this up prior to the next RP Committee meeting.

6. PLANNINGa) Decisions

Planning Approval granted in respect of:-

S/2018/2276/MAF	Land at Water Lane, Towcester Application to remove Condition 10 (windows, roof lights and glazing) of Planning Consent S/2018/1034/MAF (Variation of Condition 1 (Plans) of planning permission S/2017/1279/MAF (new care home) to incorporate two terraces with balustrades at first and second floor levels on the side elevation.
S/2018/2518/FUL & S/2018/2519/LBC	Prospect House, 174 Watling Street East, Towcester Extension of kitchen into existing outbuilding to form utility and thermal upgrading Of walls and roofs to make the kitchen and utility warmer. Repairs to existing windows and replacement of outbuilding roof lights with new roof lights.
S/2018/2372/FUL	31 Irvine Drive, Towcester First floor side and single storey rear extensions and conversion of part of garage to living accommodation.
S/2018/2176/MAF	Foundry Place, Old Tiffield Road Factory, together with provision of associated car parking and landscaping.
S/2018/2502/FUL	35 Nightingale Drive, Towcester Part two storey, part single storey front extension.

- S/2018/2559/FUL 6 Meadow Bank
Garage conversion & new external side door.
- S/2018/2560/TCA Hartwell & Co. LLP, 183 Watling Street West, Towcester
Reduction of the line of the Yew trees overhanging the brick wall. Yew trees to be left at approximately 12 – 15ft in height.
No objections

The following applications were withdrawn:-

- S/2018/2329/FUL Home Farm Barns, Tiffield Road, Caldecote
Conversion of existing stone barn and outbuildings to residential use.
- S/2018/2303/FUL Barn Home Farm, Caldecote
Conversion of existing barn to residential dwelling.

Split decision with respect to:-

- S/2018/2524/TPO Earls Farm, Burcote Road, Towcester
TPO-006-1987. Tree works as per schedule.

b) Applications

- S/2018/2822/FUL Car Park, Towcester Mill, Chantry Lane, Towcester
Variation of Conditions 2 (Plans), 3 (Layout/Marking of Parking Bays), 4 (Surfacing Material) and 5 (Landscaping) of application S/2018/0029/FUL (Variation of Conditions 2 (Plans), 3 (Layout/Marking of Parking Bays) and 4 (Surfacing Material) of planning permission S/2017/0381/FUL to Change the Proposed Parking Layout and Time Period to Discharge Conditions 3 and 4) to change the proposed parking Layout and provide details of the marking of parking bays, surfacing material and landscaping.
No objections
- S/2018/2780/ADV & S/2018/2781/LBC 169 Watling Street West, Towcester
One non-illuminated fascia sign.
No objections
- S/2018/2668/FUL 12 Kensington Close, Towcester
Front extension to garage.
No objections
- S/2018/2873/FUL 68 Brackley Road, Towcester
Single storey rear extension.
No objections
- S/2018/2874/FUL 33 Nightingale Drive, Towcester
Two storey side extension; new boundary wall to rear.
No objections
- S/2018/2772/FUL & S/2018/2773/LBC Rice Bowl Restaurant, 132 Watling Street East, Towcester
Replacement of the existing ventilation extraction system with new, modern equivalent.
Proposal
Cllr Johns proposed that the application be supported on the grounds that the new ventilation system will result in a reduction in noise pollution; seconded by Cllr Allen; all in favour
- S/2018/2877/FUL 167 Watling Street West, Towcester
Change of use from UCO Class B1 (office) to UCO Class A1 (Funeral Directors) at ground floor and ancillary residential use on upper floors, with the erection of a detached external store in the rear yard, alterations to change a rear window opening to a doorway.

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- S/2018/2878/LBC 167 Watling Street West, Towcester
Change of use from UCO Class B1 (office) to UCO Class A1 (Funeral Directors) at ground floor and ancillary residential use on upper floors, with the erection of a detached external store in the rear yard, alterations to change a rear window opening to a doorway. 1 illuminated fascia sign and 1 hanging sign.
The Committee had no objection to the change of use for the ground floor and upper floors.
Proposal
Cllr Allen proposed that the TC objects to the erection of the detached external store in the rear yard which is out of keeping with the building;
seconded by Cllr Conquest; 9 votes in favour; 3 abstentions; proposal carried
Proposal
Cllr Conquest proposed that the TC supports the objection submitted via the neighbour consultations concerning the opening hours for the business.
This proposal did not receive a seconder.
- S/2018/2879/ADV 167 Watling Street West, Towcester
1no. Fascia sign to be placed in a blind window recess on the front elevation, externally illuminated. 1no. Hanging sign to be placed on the front elevation.
Proposal
Cllr Johns proposed that the TC objects to the externally illuminated fascia sign on the front elevation on the grounds that this would be contrary to SNC Planning Policy for the display of signage in the Conservation Area;
seconded by Cllr Tarbun; all in favour
- S/2018/2891/FUL 14 Sponnes Road, Towcester
Demolition of existing single storey side extension and erection of two storey replacement side extension.
No objections
- S/2018/0007/FUL 50 Clare Crescent, Towcester
Two storey side extension, single storey rear extension, front extension to provide porch and PV panels on rear roof.
No objections
- S/2019/0040/FUL 1 Park Street, Towcester
Change of use from tanning shop to ladies lingerie and accessories. No internal or external changes.
No objections

7. Requests for Funding

a) South Northants Community Responders (Charity No. 1149153)

The application and supporting information received from the South Northants Community Responders had been forwarded to all committee members prior to the meeting. It seeks the sum of £2,000.00 for the purchase of two new mobile defibrillators, one for each for the charity's Towcester-based volunteer responders. The committee referred to the offer made by Highways England's contractors, Forkers, to donate a defibrillator to the town. It was suggested this may have already been installed at Towcester Centre for Leisure and the Clerk agreed to make enquiries with Forkers.

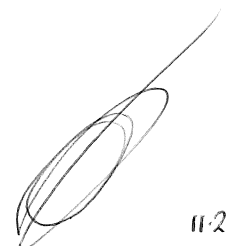
Proposal

Cllr McMurray proposed that the application from South Northants Community Responders to receive £2,000.00 from the TC budget for Grants to Local Bodies be supported;
seconded by Cllr Lynch; 11 in favour; one abstention

Cllr Cutts suggested the Town Council purchase the equipment so the VAT can be reclaimed.

b) Citizen's Advice North Oxon and South Northants (Charity No. 1079719)

The application from Citizen's Advice North Oxon and South Northants had been forwarded to all committee members prior to the meeting.



Proposal

Cllr R Dallyn proposed that the application be declined on the basis that the charity has recently secured significant funding from South Northamptonshire Council's Community Grant Fund; seconded by Cllr McMurray; 10 votes in favour; 2 abstentions; proposal carried

8. Towcester Neighbourhood Watch

To consider the request received from Towcester Neighbourhood Watch to co-fund a 2nd VAS sign to be situated on Northampton Road, Towcester

The Clerk confirmed that Towcester Neighbourhood Watch is proposing to install a permanent VAS sign at the top of Northampton Road as its statistics show that there's a significant issue with speeding in this location. The Clerk confirmed she has made preliminary enquiries with SNC on whether the TC is permitted to divert unspent S106 monies towards projects such as this and permanent school crossing signs on Vernon Road and Buckingham Way for the two primary schools. The committee were in agreement for the Clerk to continue to liaise with SNC Officers on this matter.

9. South Northamptonshire Council

To consider the proposals received from the SNC Lead Community Safety Officer for the introduction of a CCTV network across the District.

This item was deferred to the next meeting pending receipt of further information

