

RESOURCES / PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING**MONDAY, 25TH APRIL 2016**

Present: Cllr D. Tarbun (Chairman), Cllr P. Allen, Cllr D. Bain, Cllr C. Blake, Cllr R. Dallyn, Cllr J. Hart,
Cllr M. Johns,

1. **Apologies for Absence**

Cllr C. Lofts, Cllr J. Lynch

2. **Declarations of Interest**

None

3. **Open to the Public**

No members of the public were present.

4. **Minutes of Meetings****Proposal**

Cllr Allen proposed that the Minutes of the Resources / Planning Committee Meeting on 11th April 2016 be signed by the Chair as a true record;
seconded by Cllr Johns; all in favour

5. **PLANNING**a) **Decisions**

Permission for Development granted in respect of:-

S/2016/0433/FUL 1 Heron Close, Towcester
Removal of existing conservatory, proposed single storey rear and side extensions
and the conversion of exiting garage to habitable room

Prior Approval not required in respect of:-

S/2016/0652/AGD Land to the south west of Caldecote, Towcester
Determination as to whether prior approval is required (under Class A of Part 6 of
the above Order) for the erection of a building for livestock and hay storage in
respect; the siting, design and external appearance of the building

b) **Applications**

S/2016/0803/FUL 25 Jenkinson Road, Towcester
Two storey extension to side
No observations

S/2016/0762/FUL 5 Wood Burcote, Towcester
Variations to conditions 2 and 16 S/2015/1533/FUL (new dwelling) to minor
changes to dining room door and altered position of gas meter
No observations

S/2016/0861/FUL 7 Robin Close, Towcester
Single storey side extension and car parking area with vehicular crossover
No observations

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S/2016/0801/TCA Ron Green Antiques, 227 Watling Street West, Towcester – FOR INFORMATION ONLY
 To dismantle one Lawson Cypress located in the rear garden of the bedsits property to as close to ground level as possible
Noted

6. South Northamptonshire Council

a) Report back from the Local Plan Part 2a Consultation Briefing held on 12th April 2016

Cllr Allen confirmed that he, Cllr Hart and Cllr Lynch had attended the Consultation Briefing on behalf of the TC and found it a helpful and informative exercise. It was agreed for the Clerk to circulate the documentation for the Consultation Briefing to all members of the TC and this item will be listed on the agenda of a future RP Committee Meeting for discussion. The TC needs to submit its response by 10th June 2016.

b) Street Naming – New development off Burcote Road, Towcester by Redrow Homes Ltd

Prior to the meeting, the Clerk had circulated the request from South Northamptonshire Council's Building Control for suggestions for the 8 street names for Phase 1 of the Wood Burcote Development. The Committee discussed the street names put forward by committee members and were in agreement that these should reflect the history of the area being developed. The street names favoured were those provided by Local Archaeologist, Rod Conlon, taken from 19th Century maps of field names, in the locality of the development, and the owners/occupiers of those fields. Accordingly, the committee selected the following street names:-

Stowe Gardens
 Pound Close
 Drayson Way
 Redhouse Drive
 Barn Close
 Earls Farm Way
 Cherry Orchard Lane

The Committee agreed to forward suggestions for the final road name to the Clerk for circulation.

7. The Town Council Business Plan

The Clerk gave an update on each item in the business plan:-

Short Term Objectives

- Investigate means of providing a 50% grant to town centre shop owners/retailers for shop front / signage improvements
 The Clerk stated that the update for this would be reported under Economic Development.
- Install controlled school crossings on Vernon Road / Buckingham Way
 The Clerk confirmed that a request has been made for Neighbourhood Watch to include the 2 crossings on Buckingham Way in its next Speedwatch sessions. The outcome of these will be reported back to the Clerk.

Long Term Objectives

- Governance
 The Clerk will arrange a meeting with the Chairman of the RP Committee after the Annual Meeting of the Town Council (Mayor Making).
- Emergency Planning
 The Clerk confirmed that she has still not received a response to her 2 emails sent to the Emergency Planning Officer at NCC requesting information on the Emergency Plans held for Towcester and will ask Cllr Lofts to follow this up.
- Policing
 The Clerk confirmed she will be contacting the Towcester Inspector Phil King, following the Police & Crime Commissioner elections of 5th May, to provide the TC with information on the current and future arrangements for policing in Towcester.

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- Transport
As requested, the up to date Bus timetables have been posted on the TC website.
- Economic Development
The Clerk confirmed she has been contacted by South Northamptonshire Council's Economic Development Officer, Greg Ward, who has confirmed he will be liaising with the Cllr Stephen Clarke, SNC Portfolio Holder for Economic Development, to arrange a meeting with representatives of the TC to discuss how the authorities can collaborate to deliver the economic development objectives for Towcester.
- Health
Cllr Johns recommended that the Clerk contacts Cllr Rosie Herring, SNC Portfolio Holder for Community Engagement and Wellbeing to progress this item.

Cllr Allen questioned the frequency of reporting back on the short and long term objectives contained within the Town Council Business Plan. He suggested that reports be limited to when there is real progress, with an overview of progress on each objective being reported to the appropriate committee, or at Full Council, on a quarterly basis. Cllr Allen said that, when adopting the Business Plan, he didn't consider that so many demands would be placed on the Clerk to progress its objectives. Committee members agreed that particular objectives could be assigned to individual members of the TC to progress and requested that Cllr Allen's suggestion be put forward to the Full Council at its next meeting.

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