

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SOUTHAM TOWN COUNCIL HELD AT THE GRANGE HALL, COVENTRY ROAD, SOUTHAM ON THURSDAY, 26th OCTOBER 2017

Present: In the Chair, Mayor, Councillor L Ellard,
Councillors M Connors, M Gaffney, K Toner, A Crump, A Walster, K Mullen, G Oubridge, Cllr Stone & G Barratt

Apologies: Cllr G Foster – Personal
Cllr M Brooks - Personal
Cllr P Jenkins - Personal

Cllr T Bromwich

In Attendance: Mrs D Carro and Mrs D Sanders

**78. APOLOGIES
RESOLVED:**

That the apologies are accepted

79. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr A Crump	Non-Pecuniary Reason	All planning applications Will not take part in any discussion or resolution regarding any planning application in order that it doesn't compromise his position on the SDC Planning Committee
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Cllr G Oubridge	Non-Pecuniary Reason	Planning Application 17/02614/REM Lives in the vicinity of the site
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80. REPRESENTATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Mrs M Childs, 20 Holywell Road, Southam

Spoke regarding planning application 17/02614/REM, stating that the standard letter that was sent out was misleading and had great concerns regarding traffic congestion, especially the feeder roads.

Mr I Beatty, 21 Napton Rise, Southam

Spoke regarding the Pilot Fields development SOU3 and the reserve matters application, in particular the 10m buffer zone. Resident stated that following a meeting that Taylor Wimpey, Planning Department and the Town Council have had it is now proposed to give the 10m buffer to the new houses, as a result the resident is of the opinion that this removes the 10m buffer, goes against what was previously agreed and feels it is very underhand.

Mr J Turner, 16 Holywell Road, Southam

Spoke regarding planning application 17/02614/REM, stating that he objects to the proposal of accessing the site via Wattons Lane and the path leading to the Holy Well. That the access should be through Manders Croft as approved by planning even though it is highly unsuitable.

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Mr C Field, 15 Rainsbrook Close, Southam

Spoke regarding the Pilot Fields development SOU3 and the reserve matters application, in particular the 10m buffer zone, stating why should the buffer zone be given to the new houses, why can't it be given to the existing houses.

Mrs J Wyman, 22 Manders Croft, Southam

Spoke regarding planning application 17/02614/REM, concerned about the construction traffic coming up through the estate, there isn't enough room and it shouldn't be allowed to happen.

Mrs Ann Fable 16 Holywell Road, Southam

Expressed concerns regarding the maintenance of the Holy Well public footpath and asked if provision was being made for the bats in the area of the development.

Mrs Joan Cripps 5 Rainsbrook Close, Southam

Spoke regarding the

i) fencing being erected behind her house and the reason for it.

ii) Taylor Wimpey had promised to come back to them following consultation with STC but had not done so and neither had STC all they knew was that the buffer would be removed

iii) Asked how they would gain access for maintenance of the other side of the hedge if the buffer was now included in gardens of the new houses

iv) complained about mounds of earth which were too close to gardens and might cause floods

v) who gave permission for the buffer to be removed

Mr Gary White 15 Holywell Road, Southam

Spoke regarding the Manders Croft development, its unsuitable access and asked if any Councillors had actually been to look at it.

81. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 28th September 2017, having previously been circulated, be confirmed and signed by the Mayor.

82. POLICE

Police not in attendance

83. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

i) Invoices were available at the meeting for inspection

RESOLVED:

That the payment of accounts dated October 2017, totalling £16,502.91 (details attached) be authorised

Cllr Crump left the room

84. APPLICATIONS FOR PLANNING PERMISSION

84.1 i) Council considered the applications for planning permission detailed on the schedule dated October 2017 upon which the Town Council had been consulted by Stratford District Council. (details attached)

84.2 ii) Planning Application decisions dated October 2017

Noted

84.3 iii) Planning Committee Meeting Dates

Noted

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Cllr Crump returned to the meeting

85. TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

85.1 PUBLIC REPRESENTATIONS

- i) Representations regarding Manders Croft application have been dealt with under minute 84
- ii) Residents were advised that the Pilots Field reserved matters application amendments would be considered on 10th November 2017 and that Council would take those representations made tonight into account.
- iii) Councillor Crump advised that SDC Planning enforcement officer was aware of the situation regarding the piles of mud.

85.2 WARWICKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL – SOUTHAM PLANNING INFRASTRUCTURE MEETING

Councillor Walster and the Town Clerk updated the Council on this positive meeting which should be the start of allowing STC more involvement regarding the expenditure of Section 106 monies and that the conditions in those agreements are adhered to.

85.3 PLANNING APPLICATION 17/01927/REM

RESOLVED:

- i) To hold a planning meeting on 9th November at 6pm to consider the amendments to this application
- ii) to advise SDC that objections related to phase 2 and not phase 1

85.4 WRCC HOUSING NEEDS SURVEY

RESOLVED:

To adopt the 2017 Housing Needs Survey

85.5 COUNCIL MEETING DATES ENV DATES

Noted

86. CORRESPONDENCE

Noted

REPORTS FROM WORKING PARTIES

87. ENV WORKING PARTY MINUTES 12TH OCTOBER 2017

87.1 SOUTHAM UNITED CHARITIES – TOWN COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE

RESOLVED:

That Councillor S Stone is appointed as the Council's representative to the Southam United Charities

87.2 GEL BAGs

RESOLVED:

To continue with the sandbag and sand system

87.3 VOLUNTARY PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT – RIGHT OF WAY

RESOLVED:

- i) That Councillor Brooks will be the lead councillor on this subject
- ii) That the Voluntary Partnership Agreement be signed

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87.4 SOUTHAM IN BLOOM- PLANTING AT TITHE PLACE

RESOLVED:

That the proposed planting area as indicated on the plan is supported by the Town Council subject to final approval by stakeholders and details of the suitable plants

87.5 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

RESOLVED

17/02670 No representation

17/02751 No representation

17/02680 No representation

87.6 Questions for County and District Councillor

i) Rugby Road - The roadworks connected with the new access for Cemex works on the Rugby road appear to be left for long periods (days) with no work taking place but the traffic control still operating. Can this be investigated, and the traffic control removed during now working periods

ii) Ash Path – College to Mayfield Road - Councillor Crump to investigate further – community payback and section 106 monies that may have been allocated to this area.

88. REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE BODIES

88.1 SCIF Minutes 29th September 2017

Noted

88.2 Southam Heritage Collection Minutes 20th September 2017

Noted

88.3 Southam Christmas Lights Minutes

Noted

90. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC FROM THE MEETING

It was moved and

RESOLVED: that pursuant to Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 the public be excluded from the meeting because publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted

91. STAFF SALARIES AND PAYMENT FOR SERVICES

RESOLVED:

To authorise the payment of staff salaries dated October 2017

92. MR N RACKHAM – SUBSIDENCE CLAIM

This letter has been passed to the Town Councils insurers and is being dealt with

Noted

Meeting closed at 8.50 pm

SOUTHAM TOWN COUNCIL - November 2017					
APPLICATION NO.	APPLICANT NAME	SITE	PROPOSAL	OBSERVATION DATE/COMMENT	Comments
17/02614/REM	Mr Mark Gay - Hayfield Homes	Land off Manders Croft, Southam	Reserved matters application for the appearance, landscaping, layout and scale of 51 dwelling residential development and associated provision of public open space (in association with 15/02047/OUT)	3rd November 2017	No representation, Southam Town Council supports the points made by Historic England. Also, Council is aware that the permitted access is from Manders Croft and that this is far from ideal. Suggestion has been made that it would be possible for an alternative access to be arranged from Wattons Lane by opening up the field gateway and closing the public footpath to the Holy Well. Southam Town Council has extreme concerns about this proposal, both on safety grounds and on the grounds of preventing accessibility by all residents to the Holy Well; It would expect both the Council and residents to be formally consulted should this proposal be considered.

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Item No	Budget Line	Payee	Details	Net Amount	VAT (to be reclaimed)	Gross/Cheque Amount
1	34	<u>Stratford District Council</u>	Contribution towards 24/7 monitoring CCTV cameras x 4	3852.00	0.00	£3,852.00
2	18	<u>Express press</u>	Printing and deliver of Newsletter October 17	442.00	88.40	£530.40
3	47	<u>J Soni</u>	Volunteer driver reimbursment of mileage Sept 17	61.95	0.00	£61.95
4	47	<u>D Woodcock</u>	Volunteer driver reimbursment of mileage Sept 17	134.95	0.00	£134.95
5	47	<u>J Branston</u>	Volunteer driver reimbursment of mileage Sept 17	53.10	0.00	53.10
6	47	<u>B Meacham</u>	Volunteer driver reimbursment of mileage Sept 17	46.20	0.00	46.20
7	47	<u>R Johns</u>	Volunteer driver reimbursment of mileage Sept 17	£38.10	£0.00	£38.10
8	47	<u>M Newsham</u>	Volunteer driver reimbursment of mileage Sept 17	£9.00	£0.00	£9.00
9	47	<u>A Harris</u>	Volunteer driver reimbursment of mileage Sept 17	£63.60	£0.00	£63.60
10	47	<u>K Betteridge</u>	Volunteer driver reimbursment of mileage Sept 17	£13.05	£0.00	£13.05
11	47	<u>M Griffin</u>	Volunteer driver reimbursment of mileage Sept 17	£162.30	£0.00	£162.30
12	47	<u>M Houston</u>	Volunteer driver reimbursment of mileage Sept 17	£74.10	£0.00	£74.10
13	47	<u>W Taylor</u>	Volunteer driver reimbursment of mileage Sept 17	£10.80	£0.00	£10.80
14	47	<u>L Walsh</u>	Volunteer driver reimbursment of mileage Sept 17	£18.00	£0.00	£18.00
15	48	<u>Southam Lions Poetry Competition</u>	Section 137 grant for the printing of entry forms and books	£700.00	£0.00	£700.00
16	48	<u>John Turner Festival of Arts and Crafts</u>	Section 137 grant to provide a face painter	£150.00	£0.00	£150.00
17	48	<u>Southam in Bloom</u>	Section 137 grant to replace the wooden tubs in the Peace Garden and winter planting	630.00	0.00	£630.00
18	49	<u>Citizens Advice Bureau</u>	LGA 1972 S2a Power to provide information and advice 2nd grant	1072.84	0.00	£1,072.84
19	46	<u>Limebridge Rural Services</u>	Grass cutting 12 & 13 of 16	1785.00	357.00	£2,142.00
20	21	<u>Mrs Carole Gwillam</u>	Mileage to Stratford re training	21.00	0.00	£21.00
21	44	<u>E-on</u>	Street lighting electricity as @ 2nd Oct 17	1892.08	378.42	£2,270.50
22	8	<u>Inside It</u>	FTTC internet, Office 365,IT support	235.83	47.17	£283.00
23	37	<u>ESPO</u>	Refuse sacks	29.05	5.81	£34.86
24	39 & ER	<u>Richard Carro</u>	October contract & Holywell strimming	718.46	0.00	£718.46
25	33	<u>CJs Events Warwickshire</u>	Mop Road Closures (to be refunded by Thomas Jones)	120.00	24.00	£144.00
26	42 & ER	<u>Mark Jones</u>	Supply & fit carpet to foyer & bar area, self level two mat wells and replace with new matting, including uplift and dispose of old flooring (Local Government Act 1972 S133 Power to acquire, provide and furnish community buildings for public meetings and assemblies)	3204.00	0.00	£3,204.00
27	48	<u>The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal</u>	Remembrance Sunday wreath	18.50	0.00	£18.50
28	47	<u>British Telecommunications plc</u>	Volunteer transport office telephone	38.50	7.70	£46.20
			TOTAL	15594.41	908.50	£16,502.91

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