

The Meeting of the Desborough Town Council held at the Library, High Street, Desborough on Thursday 19th January 2017

PRESENT

Councillors: Cllr A Matthews (Chairman), Cllr R Brooks (Vice Chairman), Cllr A Turigel, Cllr J Putt, Cllr D Soans, Cllr J Pearce, Cllr R Marlow, Cllr R Cutsforth, Cllr J Derbyshire, Cllr M Tebbutt

Clerk: James McKechnie

Also in attendance: Members of the Public

001/17	To receive apologies for absence – Cllr D Howes and Cllr K Sills								
002/17	To receive and approve for signature the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 15th December 2016 The minutes of the meeting held on 15 th December 2016 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.								
003/17	To note any matters arising from the minutes not included on the agenda for report only The Clerk reported that a site visit to the Fish Farm by Desborough Town Councillors had been requested to the developer and that he was awaiting a response.								
004/17	To receive declarations of interest Cllr Soans stated that he sat on the Planning Committee at Kettering Borough Council (KBC).								
005/17	Chairman's Announcements – Cllr Matthews announcement: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Fish Farm website has been referred to Kettering Borough Council & Northamptonshire County Council for consideration of any breaches. • Noted the planning application for the Kings Arms to become a Costa Coffee. 								
006/17	Police: Monthly Report & Crime figures – PCSO Parish, present the crime figures and reported that crime remained level year on year.								
007/17	Representations from Members of the Public – A member of the public spoke about the removal of the single yellow line on Pioneer Avenue. Cllr Matthews stated that he would take this matter up with Northamptonshire County Council Highways. A member of the public addressed the council regarding engagement with the public.								
008/17	To Receive reports from: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. County Councillor Matthews reported: The budget was underway with many difficult decisions to be made. The change this year was that the budget was being worked up from a base of zero for all areas. Unitary Status is encouraged from Northamptonshire County Council. Cllr Matthews noted that the County Councils gritting programme did not include Back Lane and explained the difficulty if this road was to be included another road would have to be dropped from the gritting schedule. b. Borough Councillors <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Cllr Tebbutt reported: The Borough Council Budget Public meeting will be held on 26th January. The next Planning Policy meeting on 25th January will have before it the Local Development Plan Part 2. Cllr Soans reported: The Gladman Planning Application KET/201/0978 Appeal would be heard on 28th February in Kettering and that Kettering Borough Council have hired the services of a top Barrister to in this case. The Co-Op Planning Application KET/2016/0044 Appeal has been received. Cllr Soans stated that a precept lasts a year, but our land lasts forever. c. Clerk – All matters are covered on the agenda. 								
009/17	Reports from Community Groups: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <u>Town Centre Partnership – Flag Flying Dates for 2016</u> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: left;">Reason</th> <th style="text-align: center;">UP</th> <th style="text-align: center;">ACTUAL</th> <th style="text-align: center;">DOWN</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td style="text-align: left;">St David's Day</td> <td style="text-align: center;">28 Feb</td> <td style="text-align: center;">01 March</td> <td style="text-align: center;">02 March</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> 	Reason	UP	ACTUAL	DOWN	St David's Day	28 Feb	01 March	02 March
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	<p>Commonwealth Day 10 March 13 March 14 March</p> <p>St Patrick's Day 16 March 17 March 20 March</p> <p>St George's Day 21 April 23 April 24 April</p> <p>Carnival 12 June 24 June 26 June</p> <p>St Andrew's Day 27 Nov 28 Nov 29 Nov</p>								
010/17	<p>Councillor Surgery Update: Cllr Mathews reported that further surgeries were being reviewed and no further surgeries would take place at present.</p>								
011/17	<p>Multi Wheel Sports Facility Working Party Update – Working Party Update</p> <p>a. Professional Advice & Fees Cllr Putt reported that the project had gone out to Tender with a Closing Date: 9th February. The Working Group to meet in advance of the full Council Meeting on 16th February to present Tenders for Resolution. The Town Council Agreed (proposed by Cllr Putt and seconded by Cllr Turigel) that 2 Kettering Borough Council Officers to join the Working Group in support of the process. The Town Council Agreed (proposed by Cllr Tebbutt and seconded by Cllr Derbyshire) that an expert will be asked to join the Working Group to give expert advice on the Tenders at a cost of £300 +VAT per session.</p>								
012/17	<p>Play Park (Loatlands Ward) Working Party Update – The Clerk reported that stakeholders continued to be engaged regarding the Neuville Way site and a further update would be given when available.</p>								
013/17	<p>Car Park Update</p> <p>a. Topography costs – The costs of £655 +VAT were agreed (proposed by Cllr Brooks and seconded by Cllr Cutsforth).</p>								
014/17	<p>Grant Scheme – Working Party Update Cllr Brooks reported that the Desborough in Bloom Grant was still being considered by the working party. An update would be brought to the meeting in February.</p>								
015/17	<p>Neighbourhood Plan for Desborough – Update from Chair Cllr Pearce reported: Last summer we had a flurry of resignations and new members joining. That combined with the Council's summer break, I completely forgot at September's meeting to bring to Council the details to ratify the new memberships. I accept the responsibility and offer Council my sincere apologies and ask the Council now to ratify the membership: It was Agreed (proposed by Cllr Pearce and seconded by Cllr Mathews) that Phil Conaty, Pamela Goodman and Bob Martin be added as members of the Steering Group. We have applied for a work in kind grant from Locality for further site assessments and we are still awaiting a response. This is work that, if we were to outsource, would cost in the region of £8,000. I have with various Steering Group Members, had meetings with Northamptonshire County Council covering Education, the Wildlife Trust covering the Green Environment, a prominent member of the community regarding aspects of the Town Centre and next week I will have meetings to, amongst other things, map the route of the proposed Green Perimeter Walk. I am in the process of arranging the next Steering Group Meeting and this will be advertised as soon as possible.</p>								
016/17	<p>Financial:</p> <p>a) Accounts for Payment RESOLVED: The following payments were APPROVED (Proposed by Cllr Mathews and seconded by Cllr Pearce):</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Payed by</th> <th>Amount</th> <th>Payee</th> <th>Reason for Payment</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>BACS</td> <td></td> <td>Mr J McKechnie</td> <td>Salary & Expenses (Jan 17)</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Payed by	Amount	Payee	Reason for Payment	BACS		Mr J McKechnie	Salary & Expenses (Jan 17)
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	BACS	£27.54	Talk Talk Business	Telephone Line Rental / Broadband + calls (Jan 17)								
	BACS	£4,800.00	Derek Latham & Co Ltd	Work on Desborough Neighbourhood Plan								
	BACS	£510.00	2commune Ltd	Website hosting & email account 20117/18								
	BACS	£2,000.00	Northants County Council	Refund of Wrong Deposit Remittance No. 147348								
	b) Receipts – Noted as shown below											
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	c) Monthly Bank Reconciliation – noted for December											
	d) Quarter 3 Financial Analysis - noted											
017/17	<p>Planning:</p> <p>a) Planning Applications received</p> <p>KET/2016/0869 – Mr & Mrs Edwards – 18 Foxlands, Desborough – Full Application: Two storey and single storey rear extension and steps leading to extended patio. Garage conversion including new pitched roof to existing garage and porch. No objection.</p> <p>KET/2016/0874 – Mr Arcadio Gerry’s Offshore Incorporations Limited – The Kings Arms, 111 High Street, Desborough – Advertising Consent: 3 no. externally illuminated fascia signs and 1 no. externally illuminated projecting sign. No objection.</p> <p>KET/2016/0882 – Mr Arcadio Gerry’s Offshore Incorporations Limited – The Kings Arms, 111 High Street, Desborough - Application for Listed Building Consent: Reconfiguration of toilets. Redecoration throughout and replacement tile flooring. Replacement external signage. No objection.</p> <p>KET/2016/0712 – Mr Nolan – 115 Dunkirk Avenue, Desborough – Full Application: Demolition of garage. Erection of two-bedroom dwelling with garages and associated parking for the new dwelling and 115 Dunkirk Avenue. Objection – Original objection stands. Also whilst bin provision now included the proposal remains an over development and out of character Building any additional on street parking potentially creating a hazard close to the junction which is already problematic.</p> <p>KET/2016/0879 – Mrs R Goosey - 17 Upper Steeping, Desborough – Full Application: First floor front extension. No objection subject to – Concern that the first-floor extension may obstruct the view from the first floor front bedroom of No. 18</p> <p>KET/2016/0821 – Miss Lees – 60 Rowan Close, Desborough – Full Application: Conversion of garage into a habitable room. No objection subject to - Concerns regarding that the conversion appears to reduce car parking spaces.</p> <p>Notices of Approval received:</p> <p>KET/2016/744 – Mr Popat – 6 & 8 Havelock Street, (to rear of) Desborough – Full Application: Conversion to rear of dwelling and store rooms to provide 1 no. two bedroom flat.</p> <p>KET/2016/0279 – Povoas Packaging Ltd – Povoas Packaging Ltd Stoke Albany Road, Desborough – Full Application: Raise height to section of extruder of extruder bay to 24m to accommodate new machinery.</p> <p>KET/2016/0792 – Mr Malde – 7-9 Station Road, Desborough – Full Application: Change of first floor meeting rooms and bar area to class C2 (Hotel) insertion of 3 windows to first floor S.W. elevation.</p>											

	Withdrawn Applications: KET/2016/0811 – Mr Burley Beechdale Builders – 75-77 Harrington Road, Desborough – Full Application: Construction of 1 no. 4 bedroom house and 2 no. 3 bedroom bungalows.
018/17	Information Technology – Review of current position & requirements This was deferred until the meeting February as Cllr Howes was not present.
019/17	Public Engagement Leaflet – Production & Distribution It was Agreed (proposed by Cllr Brooks and seconded by Cllr Cutsforth) that to produce and distribute a Quarterly Leaflet to all properties in the Town.
020/17	Items for the next agenda – Cllr Soans asked if the visit to the Trout Farm could be followed up. Cllr Tebbutt asked if a Working Party could meet to work on making representation at the Appeal Hearing of the Gladman Planning Application KET/201/0978.
021/17	To note the date of the next meeting: Thursday 16th February 2017 commencing at 7.00pm, Desborough Library, High Street, Desborough.
	THE MEETING CLOSED AT 7.55PM