

The Meeting of the Desborough Town Council held at Marlow House, Gold Street, Desborough on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2011.

**PRESENT**

**Councillors:** Cllr D Soans (Chairman), Cllr A Matthews (Vice Chairman), Cllr D Coe, Cllr J Pearce, Cllr M Watson, Cllr M Tebbutt, Cllr S Clayton, Cllr J Watson (in part).

**Clerk:** Leigh Parkin

**Also in attendance:** PC I Cotterill, Cllr B Humfrey – Northamptonshire County Councillor, Mr N Hiller - Vision ICT Ltd

<b>1</b>	<p><b>Chairman’s announcements</b> Cllr Soans reminded members of the public that they need to complete a ‘Representations by Members of the Public Form’ if they wish to speak at the Town Council meeting.</p> <p>Cllr Soans reported that he has attended the following events/meetings since the last Town Council meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 25/06/11 – Assisted the Carnival Queen to open Desborough Carnival;</li> <li>• 29/06/11 – Montsaye Cluster Choral Festival held at the Holy Trinity Church, Rothwell;</li> <li>• 03/07/11 – Northants Music Service Summer Festival of Music Second Generation Concert at the Derngate Theatre, Northampton;</li> <li>• 08/07/11 – Chairman’s Lunch &amp; Training, Northants CALC;</li> <li>• 09/07/11 – Opening of the Millennium Green Annual event with the Mayor of Kettering;</li> <li>• 15/07/11 – Launch of the Charter Group mini meeting organised by the European Charter Group, St Giles Community Centre;</li> <li>• 18/07/11 – Vine Community Trust AGM.</li> </ul> <p>Cllr Soans reported that he will be attending a production of Twelfth Night being held on 6<sup>th</sup> August at Burton Latimer Hall. Cllr Soans would like to see production of this nature in Desborough next year.</p>
<b>2</b>	<p><b>Apologies for absence</b> Apologies for absence were received from Cllr M Dearing, Cllr R Sawford, Cllr J Derbyshire, Cllr P Malin (June/July meetings), Cllr J Watson (in part). It was <b><u>RESOLVED</u></b> to approve the apologies for absence received.</p>
<b>3</b>	<p><b>Declarations of Interest by Councillors</b> Cllr Soans would not take part in any consideration of planning matters as he is on the Planning Committee at the Borough Council, however, he would continue to Chair the meeting during the Planning agenda item.</p> <p>Cllr Coe declared an interest in Planning Application KET/2010/0743.</p>
<b>4</b>	<p><b>Police Report</b> PC Cotterill reported 22 crimes from the previous month identifying that 5 of these were domestic related. Desborough is managing to maintain a low crime rate with a detection rate of 24%. The Police are still continuing to target anti-social behaviour.</p>

	<p>Cllr Tebbutt confirmed that he had received complaints from residents of Queen Street with regard to a number of thefts and damage to motor vehicles at the Rushton Road end of the street. This is an area where a street light has been turned off. The situation has been raised with NCC. Cllr Tebbutt is to arrange a ‘walkabout’ around the Town to look at which street lights are on and off and to suggest changes where problems are occurring.</p> <p>Cllr Humfrey raised concern about repeated attacks by a group of youths on Desborough Skate Park. PC Cotterill confirmed that he is aware that there is a problem with the Skate Park and local residents have also contacted the Police with concerns. The Police are patrolling the area but are limited with officer resources. There is currently no CCTV or lighting at the Skate Park although the Leisure Centre is lit at night. PC Cotterill is to meet with Cllr Humfrey.</p> <p>Cllr Soans thanked PC Cotterill for attending the meeting.</p>
<p>5</p>	<p><b>Representations from members of the public</b></p> <p>It was <b><u>RESOLVED</u></b> to bring forward ‘Representations by members of the public’ to enable a member of the public to speak to the Town Council. The following issues were raised with the Town Council:</p> <p>The Chairman of the Hawthorns Steering Group reported that the petition, which included 3,360 names, was presented the KBC Full Council in July. Cllr Soans was thanked for his presentation at the meeting. The Full Council requested that the Executive Committee consider the issues and liaise with the Hawthorns Steering Group but no response has been received to date. Cllr Soans reported that that he has personally had a number of conversations with the Leader of KBC and the Executive Committee and Senior Officers are taking the matter very seriously.</p> <p>Concern was raised that that the discussion at the previous Town Council meeting with Stagecoach did not answer the question about why the No.18 bus loop has been stopped. Members of the public are still standing at the No.18 bus stops within the loop which no longer operates as they are unaware of the changes. In addition the question was raised as to why the suggested changes identified at the last meeting will not be implemented until September 2011. Cllr Soans explained that if the loop does not operate then only two buses are run within a day instead of three which reduces costs following the reduction in grants to the bus operators by NCC. It is proposed that the No. 19 bus will be re-scheduled around the loop to co-ordinate with the No. 18 bus. Stagecoach do not have the resources to make these changes prior to September due to the extent of change they are undertaking to bus services across the County.</p> <p>Cllr Coe reported that a member of the public who had attended the previous Town Council meeting was not happy with what she had heard and had written to him. Cllr Coe has forwarded this letter to Mr B Hadden, Operations Manager, Stagecoach.</p> <p>Concern was raised that the street light next to the bus stop in Dunkirk Avenue by the Bowls Club has been switched off as part of the NCC cost saving measures through the reduction of street lighting. It was suggested that the next light along the recreation ground fence could easily be switched off instead of the bus stop light. As highlighted in the Police Report (Minute No. 4) Cllr Tebbutt is to undertaken a ‘walkabout’ to include the Police to highlight all of the concerns raised and suggest changes. Northamptonshire</p>

	<p>County Cllr W Parker to be informed of any recommendations for changes to be made and will assist with their implementation. Cllr Coe also raised concern about another light in Dunkirk Avenue being covered by trees and being lit in the day which he has written to NCC about.</p> <p>A request has been received for white lines to be put in Mansefield Close car park to designate parking bays. The Town Council will write to Mr M Hammond, Deputy Chief Executive at KBC to ask for this work to be carried out.</p> <p>A member of the public from Harrington Road had emailed the Town Council on behalf of a number of residents within of this area highlighting the problem of residents being unable to park their cars since the new shops have been opened. The Town Council will forward the email to Mr C Stopford, Parking Enforcement Officer at KBC.</p> <p>The Indoor Bowls Club has requested a sign be placed either on the fingerpost (opposite the George Pub) or outside the library pointing to the entranceway to the Indoor Bowls Club as it is difficult to find. The Indoor Bowls Club has contacted Mr M Chester, Engineering Technician at KBC, who has stated that they need the support of the Town Council. The Indoor Bowls Club is happy to fund the sign. The Town Council is to write to Mr Chester to confirm its' support for the erection of a sign.</p> <p>Cllr Derbyshire has confirmed that from 14<sup>th</sup> July 2011 there are two new representatives from Desborough for the Tenant's Forum – Mr C Ree and Mr J French.</p>
<p>6</p>	<p><b>Representative from Vision ICT Ltd</b></p> <p>Mr N Hiller, Vision ICT Ltd, gave an overview presentation to the Town Council about the company, the reasons for having a website, the specific sections and information currently provided on the Desborough Town Council website and how the on-line questionnaire and instant voting facilities can be used by the Council. A number of issues/suggestions were raised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Access for groups/companies/organisations to advertise/provide information on the website and how this can be controlled. Independent organisations can have the facility to have their own page on the website and edit the page themselves. However this would be established in agreement with the Town Council who will publish guidelines which organisations would need to agree to. The Town Council has overall editing rights. A disclaimer is currently being drafted for the Town Council to consider at its' next meeting;</li> <li>• The 'Contact the Council' page within the website raised concern that this may provide an increase in workload to the Clerk. Mr Hillier explained that this has not been the case with other Councils he has worked with but the level of contact will need to be monitored.</li> <li>• A request was made that the rotating pictures in the banner have descriptions attached to them;</li> <li>• A discussion was held around how questionnaires will be developed and how they will be analysed and translated;</li> <li>• Additional information to be put on the website was highlighted including; information about footpaths around the Town, Doctor's Surgery opening hours, whether the Dental Surgery is recruiting NHS patients. A number of these points will help new residents to the Town.</li> </ul> <p>It was unanimously <b>RESOLVED</b> (Proposed by Cllr M Tebbutt and seconded by Cllr J</p>

	<p>Pearce) to approve the publishing of the Desborough Town Council Website. Cllr Soans informed Councillors that the launch of the Desborough Town Council Website will take place on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2011 at Desborough Library between 6.30pm and 8pm.</p> <p>A draft Website Policy was presented to the Town Council for consideration. A number of changes to the Policy were highlighted. The Policy will be re-submitted to the Town Council for approval at September's meeting.</p> <p>Cllr Clayton highlighted that the Website Plan from the Working Group had highlighted that a request be made to NCC that the Desborough Town Council Website be placed on the Library's homepage for the week the Launch will take place. The Clerk is to follow this up.</p> <p>Cllr Soans thanked Mr Hillier for his presentation and the work Vision ICT Ltd is undertaking with the Town Council.</p> <p><i>Cllr J Watson arrived at the meeting.</i></p>
7	<p><b>Minutes of Town Council meetings held on 16<sup>th</sup> June 2011</b>  The Minutes of the Town Council meeting on the above date were <b><u>unanimously approved</u></b> and signed as a true record (Proposed by Cllr A Matthews and seconded by Cllr M Watson).</p>
8	<p><b>Matters Arising</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minute 6978 (April 11) – a reply has been received from Planning Enforcement at KBC in respect of the access road to the Conservative Club. The issues raised in the Town Council letter are strictly civic matters between the Conservative Club and the land owner.</li> <li>• Minute 7 (June 11) – A copy of the email sent from Ms S Parr, Grounds Services Manager at KBC to the member of the public who had raised concern about rubbish/waste within Desborough Greenspace was circulated to Councillors with the papers for the meeting.</li> <li>• Minute 11 (June 11) – Cllr Coe confirmed that he has written to Mr J Conway, Head of Housing at KBC, in respect of the concerns raised about parking spaces at Rails Cottages.</li> </ul>
9	<p><b>County Councillor</b>  Cllr Humfrey reported that Sure Start is progressing well and that she was pleased to see that they had provided a sand play area at the recent annual Millennium Green event.</p> <p>Cllr Humfrey also reported that a number of new signs have been erected in the Town, the lower part of Federation Avenue has been resurfaced and the lower part of various lime tree avenues have been trimmed.</p>
10	<p><b>Borough Councillors</b></p> <p>Cllr Tebbutt reported that he had attended the KBC Planning Policy and Full Council meeting at which the Kettering Town Centre Area Action Plan had been approved. Cllr Tebbutt also attended the North Northants Joint Planning meeting where it was reported that public consultation is currently taking place on the proposed revisions to the North Northants Core Spatial Strategy 2031.</p>

	<p>Cllr Soans reported that he had attended the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 20/06/11 – CPRE meeting;</li> <li>• 21/06/11 – KBC Planning Committee at which Planning Application KET/2011/0187 was approved;</li> <li>• 22/06/11 – A6 Towns Forum;</li> <li>• 23/06/11 – Kettering Old Grammar School AGM;</li> <li>• 06/07/11 – KBC Full Council meeting at which Cllr Soans made a speech supporting the Hawthorns Steering Group which was well received;</li> <li>• 19/07/11 – KBC Planning Committee at which Planning Application KET/2010/0698 was refused.</li> <li>• 20/07/11 – Research &amp; Development Committee.</li> </ul>
<p><b>11</b></p> <p><b>11.1</b></p> <p><b>11.2</b></p> <p><b>11.3</b></p> <p><b>11.4</b></p> <p><b>11.5</b></p> <p><b>11.6</b></p> <p><b>11.7</b></p> <p><b>11.8</b></p>	<p><b>Clerk’s Report</b> The Clerk has sent all correspondence required after the last Council Meeting.</p> <p><b>Northamptonshire Minerals and Waste Development Framework (MDWF): Draft Revised Development and Implementation Principles Supplementary Planning Document (SDP):</b> The Town Council <b><u>AGREED</u></b> to write to support this document.</p> <p><b>Northants CALC Local Council Survey 2011:</b> The Town Council <b><u>CONFIRMED</u></b> a number of replies to the questionnaire and <b><u>AGREED</u></b> for the completed questionnaire to be sent.</p> <p><b>KBC Development Services – Parish &amp; Town Council Training 16<sup>th</sup> September 2011:</b> It was <b><u>AGREED</u></b> that Cllr A Matthews and Cllr J Pearce will attend this training session.</p> <p><b>Site Specific Proposals, Local Development Document:</b> It was <b><u>AGREED</u></b> that Cllr A Matthews and Cllr D Coe will review the plan provided by KBC showing the open space designations in Desborough.</p> <p><b>The Mick George Community Fund:</b> A copy of this is to be forwarded to the County Councillor.</p> <p><b>CPRE District (North Northamptonshire) quarterly committee meetings:</b> It was <b><u>AGREED</u></b> that Cllr J Pearce will attend the next meeting to be held on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2011.</p> <p><b>Kettering Borough Council is currently consulting on the following:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Public Realm Strategy Supplementary Planning Document.</li> <li>• Kettering Borough Shopfront Design Guidance Supplementary Planning Document.</li> <li>• Urban Codes Supplementary Planning Document.</li> </ul> <p>The Town Council <b><u>NOTED</u></b> the consultations and how individuals can make comments.</p> <p><b>Extensions to Speed Limits – Rushton Road, Desborough:</b> NCC is proposing to extend the existing 30mph speed limit in Rushton Road to a point some 90m to the east of the existing limit. The Town Council <b><u>AGREED</u></b> to fully support this proposal and to request that the extension is taken back further to the other side of the Fishing Lodge junction approximately 180m.</p>

<p><b>11.9</b></p> <p><b>11.10</b></p>	<p><b>Northants CALC Annual Conference (incorporating the 2011 AGM) – 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2011:</b> Cllr D Soans, Cllr M Tebbutt and Cllr A Matthews <b><u>CONFIRMED</u></b> that they will attend the meeting. Cllr Soans will be the voting delegate. Any other Councillors wishing to attend must inform the Clerk by 13<sup>th</sup> September 2011.</p> <p><b><u>Correspondence File:</u></b> This month’s file contains:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Desborough Town Council Standing Orders</li> <li>• Northamptonshire Minerals and Waste Development Framework (MDWF): Draft Revised Development and Implementation Principles Supplementary Planning Document (SDP)</li> <li>• kghtogether magazine (Issue 11)</li> <li>• CPRE How to Respond to Planning Applications an 8 step guide</li> <li>• The Mick George Community Fund</li> <li>• NCC Buy with Confidence Approved Trader Scheme</li> <li>• Superfast Northamptonshire - Blog Site</li> <li>• Desborough &amp; District Twinning Association Newsletter – July 2011</li> </ul>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Work Day on 11<sup>th</sup> June 2011;</li> <li>• Dog Bins;</li> <li>• A Display Board for the Pocket Park to be erected in the Heritage Centre;</li> <li>• Concern expressed by Eveden about a number of trees within the Pocket Park leaning precariously on the fence between Eveden and the Pocket Park. Cllr Pearce and Cllr Sawford met with Mr D Ainge, Chairman of the Pocket Park Committee, to look at the trees. Cllr Pearce and Cllr Sawford agree that not to deal with this matter now may result in additional costs.</li> <li>• Preparations for an Apple/Fun Day to be held in the Park on 15<sup>th</sup> October 2011.</li> </ul>
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<p><b>13.5</b></p>	<p><b>Accounts for Payment:</b> The following payments were <b>APPROVED</b> for payment:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="296 232 1439 835"> <thead> <tr> <th>Cheque No.</th> <th>Amount</th> <th>Payee</th> <th>Reason for Payment</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>101194</td> <td>£749.13</td> <td>Mrs L Parkin</td> <td>Salary &amp; Expenses (July 11)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101195</td> <td>£76.98</td> <td>HM Revenue &amp; Customs</td> <td>PAYE &amp; NI (July 11)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101196</td> <td>£35.00</td> <td>Vine Community Trust</td> <td>Hall Hire</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101197</td> <td>£38.12</td> <td>Talk Talk Business</td> <td>Telephone Line Rental /Broadband + calls (July 11)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101198</td> <td>£2,340.00</td> <td>Vision ICT Ltd</td> <td>Final payment website development</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101199</td> <td>£29.00</td> <td>Northants CALC</td> <td>Chairman's Briefing/Lunch – Cllr D Soans</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101200</td> <td>£29.00</td> <td>Northants CALC</td> <td>Off to a Flying Start Training – Cllr J Pearce</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101201</td> <td>£35.00</td> <td>The Information Commissioner</td> <td>Data Protection Registration</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101202</td> <td>£724.38</td> <td>Mrs L Parkin</td> <td>Salary &amp; Expenses (Aug 11)*</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101203</td> <td>£76.98</td> <td>HM Revenue &amp; Customs</td> <td>PAYE &amp; NI (Aug 11)*</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>• <i>The Salary for the Clerk and HM Revenue &amp; Customs cheques relating to August are dated 18<sup>th</sup> August 2011 (3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month).</i></p>	Cheque No.	Amount	Payee	Reason for Payment	101194	£749.13	Mrs L Parkin	Salary & Expenses (July 11)	101195	£76.98	HM Revenue & Customs	PAYE & NI (July 11)	101196	£35.00	Vine Community Trust	Hall Hire	101197	£38.12	Talk Talk Business	Telephone Line Rental /Broadband + calls (July 11)	101198	£2,340.00	Vision ICT Ltd	Final payment website development	101199	£29.00	Northants CALC	Chairman's Briefing/Lunch – Cllr D Soans	101200	£29.00	Northants CALC	Off to a Flying Start Training – Cllr J Pearce	101201	£35.00	The Information Commissioner	Data Protection Registration	101202	£724.38	Mrs L Parkin	Salary & Expenses (Aug 11)*	101203	£76.98	HM Revenue & Customs	PAYE & NI (Aug 11)*
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<p><b>14</b></p>	<p><b>Licensing Act 2003</b> The following application has been received by Kettering Borough Council and Desborough Town Council have the opportunity to comment:</p> <p><b>Ritz Conference and Banqueting Suites, 7-9 Station Road, Desborough NN14 2RL – New Premises Licence</b> The Town Council <b>CONFIRMED</b> its' support for the above-detailed licensing application.</p>																																												
<p><b>15</b></p>	<p><b>NCC Library Review Stakeholder Consultation – Physical Libraries</b> The Town Council <b>AGREED</b> the following response in respect of the Northamptonshire Library Review Stakeholder Consultation.</p> <p>The Town Council would like to see:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Daily opening of Desborough Library which will enable the Kettering Borough Council Response Centre to be opened at the same time;</li> <li>• The availability of the Library plus facility in the evenings for local society meetings etc. at a small charge;</li> <li>• Availability of toilet facilities for members of the public, including disabled/baby changing meeting the latest disabled sport England criteria;</li> <li>• Local information point/signposting facility taking into consideration the additional 700 houses planned within the Town;</li> <li>• Possible exhibitions of local artist work, which if 'for sale' could carry a commission to help fund the library;</li> <li>• Training for the use of the internet/computers etc.</li> </ul> <p>The Town Council is supportive of the new Friends of Desborough Library Group that has been established and is pleased to see the success of the new Sure Start Centre.</p>																																												

<p><b>16</b></p>	<p><b>Planning Applications</b> The following applications have been received and comments made under delegated procedures or at the meeting:</p>
<p><b>16.1</b></p>	<p><b>KET/2011/0332 – Mr Malde – 7 Station Road, Desborough – Advertisement Application – 1 no. non-illuminated fascia sign. 1 no. externally illuminated hanging sign. 1 no. externally illuminated projecting sign.</b> No objection good use of modern signage.</p>
<p><b>16.2</b></p>	<p><b>KET/2011/0319 – Mr Taylor – 72 Breakleys Road, Desborough – Full Application: Single rear extension.</b> Design and proportions look OK but unsure whether the new elevation affects the light to dormer window(s) at no.70 which face onto no.72. Also, does not improve parking for van which is a very tight fit between the pavement and the garage door.</p>
<p><b>16.3</b></p>	<p><b>KET/2011/0319(amended) – Mr Taylor – 72 Breakleys Road, Desborough – Full Application: Single rear extension.</b> These amended plans improve the roofline appearance of the north elevation (now hip roof) but the comment about parking (Desborough Town Council comments 07/07/11) still stands. The garage door is recessed to accommodate the large white van already not as shown (existing) on the plan received on 11/07/11 by KBC, Development Services. Clearly this has altered since the original plans submitted to KBC on 26/05/11.</p>
<p><b>16.4</b></p>	<p><b>KET/2010/0805 – Mrs Holland – Griffen Road (land off), Braybrooke – Full Application: Change of use from farm land to provide siting of mobile home and 2 no. caravans, including associated hardstanding, access road, and septic tank.</b> <i>This application falls within a neighbouring parish. As a matter of courtesy KBC have sent the Town Council details of the application for comment.</i> This application is unacceptable as it is an incursion into the green belt area, represents overdevelopment and creates a precedence for the future. North of the Borough i.e. Desborough/Braybrooke is overloaded with traveller sites.</p>
<p><b>16.5</b></p>	<p><b>KET/2009/0596 – Eckland Lodge Business Park – Desborough Road, Braybrooke – Full Application: Demolition of existing agricultural buildings and erection of office buildings within B1(a). Formation of new vehicular and pedestrian access, parking areas, and associated landscaping.</b> <i>This application falls within a neighbouring parish. As a matter of courtesy KBC have sent the Town Council details of the application for comment.</i> Desborough Town Council fully supports this application as detailed in the 2009 submission. This is an application that should be successful for rural diversification. There are many farmyard buildings around the whole of the county of Northamptonshire which have benefitted from conversions to small modern workspaces, in particular office spaces, which are always at a premium in this new knowledge based business culture. The form of the proposed development respects the designs detailed in the English Heritage Character Statement on Historic Farmsteads. Extra small start-up type employment opportunities are urgently needed to help correct the shortfall in meeting North Northants Core Spatial Strategy.</p>
<p><b>16.6</b></p>	<p><b>KET/2011/0371- Mr Smith – The Pastures (land off), Stoke Albany Road, Desborough – Renewal of Extant Permission KET/2008/0397 (Traveller caravan park consisting of 7 no. plots and amenity buildings).</b> Renewal supported but needs to be implemented with extreme urgency to meet identified</p>

	needs. Presume this is the 'transit' site which is supported.
16.7	<p><b>KET/2010/0743 – Greatline Development Ltd and Tesco Stores Ltd – Former Lawrence Factory Site, Harborough Road, Desborough – Full Application: Erection of new food store and electricity sub-station, new access arrangements, landscaping and associated works. Demolition of existing buildings on the site</b> (<i>Additional information has been submitted</i>).</p> <p><i>Cllr Coe has declared an interest in this planning application as a former manager of the Co-operative Society.</i></p> <p>It is unclear where the bus shelter(s) are to be provided to allow safe access. Improvements to pedestrian and cycle infrastructure also needed to the south of the site, with particular reference to a safe crossing point between the Library/Sure Start and Doctor's Surgery. There is concern as to whether shielding off crossing lights will provide adequate road/pedestrian safety. Having two separate pedestrian crossings at the Gold Street/Harborough Road junction will only add to the build-up of traffic at peak times. Linking or joining both crossings and patterns in a traffic light system on this junction may improve the flow of traffic. It is time that this application is either approved or rejected as it seems to have gone on for an extremely long time.</p>
16.8	<p><b>KET/2011/0341 – Mr Bott – 137 Braybrooke Road, Desborough – Full Application: Two storey side, single storey front and rear extensions.</b></p> <p>No objection if the proposed front elevation fits in with the street scene (re: semi-detached houses).</p>
16.9	<p><b>KET/2011/0382 – Miss Coupland – 7 Union Street, Desborough – Full Application: Single storey rear extension.</b></p> <p>No objection providing residents of no.5 do not find the extension 'overbearing'. Fits within the footprint of existing buildings.</p>
16.10	<p><b>KET/2011/0275 – Ms Bosworth Quest – 89 &amp; 91 Braybrooke Road (Land to the rear), Desborough – Full Application: 2 no. detached bungalows.</b></p> <p>Backland development is no longer classified as brownfield land so this could be classed as overdevelopment of a small site and could lead to further backland development in the area. Access onto Braybrooke Road, which is opposite the Football Ground, is inadequate. The private road is very narrow for increased traffic.</p>
16.11	<p><b>KET/2011/0408 – Capital Investments – Benels Club, Victoria Street, Desborough – Full Application: Single storey rear extension.</b></p> <p>In principle this is a reasonable extension of an existing commercial building but uses (apparently) different building materials to original building. This is not in character and should be brick with a pitched roof matching the main building. The report states that the felt flat roof is for quickness but this is not long term. The extension would be overlooked by the flats. The Town Council is aware that a large area of the existing building (over the darts room) is unused, this seems to be a wasted area viz a viz the proposed extension costs.</p>
16.12	<p><b><u>KBC Planning Committee:</u></b></p> <p>The following application is to be considered by the KBC Planning Committee on 19<sup>th</sup> July 2011, 7pm, Council Chamber, Municipal Offices, Bowling Green Road, Kettering:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>KET/2010/0698 (Minute 18.8/May 11) – Mrs Holland – Greenfields, Braybrooke Road (land off), Great Oxendon – S73A Retrospective Application: Use of site for siting of a modular dwelling and the keeping of horses, creation of hard</b></li> </ul>

<p><b>16.13</b></p> <p><b>16.14</b></p>	<p><b>standings, erection of stables and fencing, installation of septic tank.</b></p> <p><b><u>Notices of Approval received:</u></b>                  KBC has granted permission for the following applications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>KET/2011/0280 (Minute no. 16.2/June 11) – Mr Crick – 41 Leys Avenue, Desborough - Renewal of Extant Permission (Full): KET/2008/0384 (replace existing roof structure and increase pitch angle and ridge height).</b></li> <li>• <b>KET/2011/0187 (Minute 16.3/June 11) – Miss Boksh – 72 Station Road, Desborough – Full Application: Change of use from dwelling to ground floor restaurant and first floor studio flat. Two storey rear extension and single storey front extension.</b></li> </ul> <p><b><u>Notices of Refusal received:</u></b>                  KBC has refused permission for the following applications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>KET/2011/0247 (Minute no. 16.1/June 2011) – Mr Holland – Plot 6 Spinney Close, Desborough – Full Application: Dropped kerb and driveway.</b></li> <li>• <b>KET/2011/0288 (Minute 16.4/June 2011) – Midlands Co-operative Society Ltd – 42 Station Road, Desborough – Advertisement Application: 2 no. externally illuminated fascia signs.</b></li> <li>• <b>KET/2010/0698 (Minute 18.8/May 11) – Mrs Holland – Greenfields, Braybrooke Road (land off), Great Oxendon – S73A Retrospective Application: Use of site for siting of a modular dwelling and the keeping of horses, creation of hard standings, erection of stables and fencing, installation of septic tank.</b></li> </ul>
<p><b>17</b></p>	<p><b>Date of next meeting and items for the agenda:</b></p> <p>Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2011 – Diamond Jubilee</p>
	<p><b>THE MEETING CLOSED AT 9.45 PM</b></p> <p>..... <b>CHAIRMAN</b></p>