

CINDERFORD TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Cinderford Town Council held at The Council Chamber, Cinderford on Tuesday, 12th April 2016 commencing at 7.00 p.m.

PRESENT

COUNCILLORS; Mrs L.I. Sterry (Vice Chair), Mrs L. Bent, Mrs K. Brown, M. M. Coborn (Mayor), T.R. Holder, A. Knight, R. Sterry, M. Turner, L.S. Wilce, C. Witham, Ms K. Wynn.

APOLOGIES for Absence were received from Cllr Mrs J. Johnson (Chair), Mrs E.D. Martin, G.L. Morgan (Ruspidge & Soudley), R. Pritchard.

THERE WERE NO DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

186. MINUTES.

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 8th March 2016, having been circulated were confirmed and signed as a correct record.

187. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES.

(a) Parking in Steam Mills. (Minute 169).

Although Members considered the site meeting had been positive, one of the residents had since contacted a Solicitor, so the Town Council would have no further input to the situation. Noted.

(b) HM Queen Elizabeth II 90th Birthday - Commemorative Medal. (Minute 175).

The Clerk had ordered 165 Commemorative Medals (101 at Forest View) (29 at St. Anthony's), (35 at Steam Mills) which the Mayor could hand out on the 21st April, and hopefully have some pictures for the Town Council web page. Noted.

(c) Colliers Court Opening. (Minute 182)

The Mayor and Clerk had attended the opening ceremony of Colliers Court and were really impressed with the building refurbishment. Noted.

(d) Meeting with Traders - 'No Right Turn'. (Minute 181).

Cllr Coborn still awaiting dates from the Traders. Noted.

188. 2ND CINDERFORD GUIDES - REQUEST FOR A DONATION.

The 2nd Cinderford Guides had written requesting a donation towards their running costs and it was

RESOLVED a donation of £75.00 be forwarded under Section 137.

189. CINDERFORD LEISURE CENTRE.

FODDC had released an urgent press statement, confirming they had met with SGS Academy Trust and had agreed terms to ensure the leisure facilities at Cinderford would remain open to the public whilst further negotiations took place, with a view to securing a long term solution. It had been a very positive meeting at which everybody agreed to work together to achieve a beneficial outcome for the Academy, the Council and the community. Noted.

190. LEVEL OF SERVICE CURRENTLY PROVIDED BY CHEMISTS IN CINDERFORD.

Complaints had been received concerning the level of service provided by the Chemists in the Town, with prescriptions being ordered and then not readily available to Whether this was a problem with the clearing station as opposed to the Chemist was unknown, and it was suggested that the issue be raised with the FoD Health Forum to investigate and to ascertain whether this was an issued for the whole of the Forest.

RESOLVED accordingly.

191. MEMBERS REPORTS.

Cllr. Mrs Martin had attended the Forest Health Forum and there had been an excellent question and answer session, which would be in their next Minutes.

Cllr. Coborn had attended the Market Towns Forum held in Coleford, and had visited the new Tourist Information Centre to cover the Forest.

Cllr. Witham commented that the statistics for the facebook page and web site had dropped off and asked Members to feedback any information they get to him, which he could put up on the pages.

192. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

As a Member of the Development Control Committee, Cllr Mrs L.I. Sterry did not take part in the vote on any of the following applications.

- (a) 13 Woodville Road - Alterations and single storey extensions to dwelling, alterations to off road parking including extension of dropped kerb. P0335/16/FUL.
- (b) 44 Woodside Avenue - Erection of a garage attached to the main dwelling. P0286/16/FUL.
- (c) 7 Pavillion Business Park, Speculation Road - Change of use of unit from B1/B8 to B2 to be used as M.O.T and repair centre. P0382/16/COU.

RESOLVED no objections be made to the above applications.

- (d) Land at New Beechenhurst Inclosure, (Sculpture Trail), Speech House Road - Proposed new sculpture for sculpture trail. P0430/16/FUL.
- (e) Land At Kensleyridge Inclosure, (Sculpture Trail), Speech House Road - Proposed new sculpture for sculpture trail. P0432/16/FUL.

RESOLVED the above applications be supported.

- (f) Northern Quarter - Variation of condition (05) materials for building plot E1 and discharge of conditions (09) Construction Environmental Management Plan (plot E), (26) building management system, (34) foul and surface water drainage, (51) hydrogeological risk assessment for plot E1 and (60) Construction Method Statement (Plot E1) relating to planning permission P0663/14/OUT The Northern Quarter.
- (g) The Northern Quarter - Discharge of condition (08) Construction Environmental Management Plan of Phase 1 of the spine road relating to planning permission P0663/14/OUT the Northern Quarter.

RESOLVED no objections be made providing FODDC is satisfied that all conditions have been met.

193. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

Members were circulated with the figures for accounts requiring payment and it

RESOLVED the accounts and wages
totalling the following amounts be paid;
BVC/CTC - £1,082.51
BVC - £3,105.55
CTC - £985.98

194. DATE OF NEXT MEETING.

RESOLVED the next Meeting be held on
Tuesday, 10th May 2016 at 7 p.m.

195. HIGHWAYS ISSUES.

Complaints had been received that the blocks in the footpath had sunk again, outside AbFab - there did seem to be an issue with this length of footpath, and the Clerk was asked to raise this with Highways, and also to remind them that the led lighting was still required around the beacons on the pedestrian crossing, outside The Fern.

RESOLVED accordingly.

196. FORMER ENGLEHARD CAR PARK.

Complaints had been received about the state of the car park, and how untidy the site was. However as it was currently used for a recycling site, it was agreed to leave the discussion in abeyance, awaiting the result of the new roadside collection, being implemented by FODDC. Noted.

196. CLOSURE.

The meeting closed at 7.40 p.m.