

## **CINDERFORD TOWN COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Meeting of Cinderford Town Council held at The Council Chamber, Cinderford on Tuesday, 10th February 2015 commencing at 7.00 p.m.

### **PRESENT**

COUNCILLORS; Mrs E.D. Martin (Chairman), J. Gouha, T. Holder, A.J. Knight, Mrs L.I. Sterry, D. Wildin.

APOLOGIES for Absence were received from Cllrs. G.L. Morgan (Chairman), Mrs L. Bent, M.M. Coborn (Mayor), Mrs J. Johnson, B. O'Neill, R.A. Sterry.

Two members of the public.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST: None.

### **153. MINUTES.**

The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 13th January 2015, having been circulated were confirmed and signed as a correct record.

### **154. MATTERS ARISING FROM THOSE MINUTES.**

Nothing was raised.

### **155. FODDC - BRIEFING NOTE - PURDAH ADVICE.**

The Clerk had circulated to Members copies of the briefing notes on the Purdah advice published by the District Council.

### **156. GCC - ROAD CLOSURE ORDER - CHURCH ROAD.**

Notification had been received from Highways for the closure of Church Road from Stockwell Green junction to the Woodside Street junction for re-surfacing, from Friday, 27th March until Tuesday, 31st March 2015. Noted.

### **157. HILLDENE ATHLETIC FC - FACILITY REQUIRED.**

An email had been received from Hilldene AFC, who were looking for a football pitch on Saturday afternoons. After visiting the various recreation areas, their preferred choice was the Collingwood Skate park. They had already spoken with the Forest Rangers who had no objections with sharing the use of the field with them.

They were looking for funding through Gloucestershire FA and setting up a meeting with their sponsor. They had enquired about funding from the Town Council but the Clerk had explained that the budget for the following year had already been set and that it was unlikely that the Council would be able to assist with any large funding for the project.

The Clerk asked Members for their view on the proposal, and the Members agreed that it would be good use of the field, and why the recreation areas were provided.

RESOLVED that Hilldene AFC be allowed to use the field at the Collingwood Skatepark and that any further works/considerations be referred to the Playing Fields Committee.

### **158. CHARITY DOG SHOW- STEAM MILLS RECREATION GROUND.**

The Clerk had received an email from someone who would like to host a Charity Dog Show on the Steam Mills Recreation ground on Sunday, 19th July 2015.

RESOLVED the Council agree in principle, with the Clerk to check with Rank Outsiders regarding availability. The Clerk was also asked to check on the benefiting charity.

**159. MEMBERS REPORTS.**

Cllr Tim Holder had attended his first meeting of the CSP, and it had been confirmed that the new Inspector, Steve Chester would now oversee and lead the CSP meetings. Cllr Holder felt that many items would have been more fitting for the Forest Health Forum Meeting, but nevertheless it had been informative with information on the Safer Days & Nights, and Domestic Abuse. Kevin Stannard (Forestry Commission) had confirmed he would be happy to meet with anyone.

Cllr Mrs Martin reported that the Forest Health Forum meeting had been abandoned, due to access problems, but she hoped to report at the next meeting.

**160. TO ADOPT STANDING ORDERS (BASED ON MODEL SUPPLIED BY GAPTC-(NALC).**

The Clerk had circulated copies of the Standing orders to all Members prior to the meeting. After a discussion, and due to the low attendance, it was

RESOLVED the above item be deferred to the next meeting of full Council.

**161. OPEN DAY 7th/14th MARCH 2015 - MEMBERS AVAILABILITY.**

The Clerk suggested to Members if they wanted to hold an open day, that they should consider the 7th or 14th March due to the purdah period. It was agreed that the 14th would be the best date, and that the offices would be open from 10 - 12 noon. Mark Turner had offered to bring some Cinderford memorabilia to display, which he confirmed he would do.

RESOLVED accordingly.

**162. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.**

As Members of the Development Control Committee, Cllrs Mrs E.D. Martin, and Mrs L.I. Sterry did not take part in the vote on any of the following applications.

- (a) 10 Seven Stars Road - Proposed single storey extension to front elevation of existing dwelling. P0161/15/FUL.
- (b) Hanover Court, Bilson Court - Variation on condition (02) relating to planning permission P1703/13/FUL to include revised plans. P0049/15/FUL.
- (c) 2 St. Johns Square - Proposed single storey replacement front extension, two storey side extension and two storey rear extension. P0065/15/FUL.
- (d) Lansdowne, Parragate - Erection of a single storey porch to side elevation of existing dwelling. P0081/15/FUL.
- (e) 75 High Street - Proposed change of use of existing laundrette to create an additional 4 self contained flats and associated works. P0149/15/FUL.

RESOLVED no objections be raised to any of the above applications.

- (f) Cinderford RFC, The Beavis Memorial Ground - Construction of new pitched roof over existing changing rooms. P0096/15/FUL.

- (g) The Old Mill, Steam Mills Road - Demolition of existing outbuildings and alterations to existing building with change of use to residential 5 flats and 1 shop unit. Alterations to access and erection of 3 terraced dwellings and one pair of semi-detached. P1978/14/FUL.

RESOLVED the above applications be supported.

- (h) Land At, Northern United - Discharge of condition 05 (planting scheme) of planning permission P1495/12/FUL.

RESOLVED no objections providing FODDC is satisfied that the condition has been met.

- (i) Land At, Newtown Steam Mills - Demolition of existing building and erection of 49 dwellings including new access, open space and associated works. P1979/14/OUT.

RESOLVED the above application be supported providing FODDC is happy with the proposals and the ratio of houses for the development area.

#### **163. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.**

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

RESOLVED the accounts and wages totalling the following amounts be paid;  
BVC/CTC - £10,301.93.  
BVC - £1,405.68.  
CTC - £8,225.09.

#### **164. DATE OF NEXT MEETING.**

RESOLVED the next Meeting be held on Tuesday, 10th March 2015 at 7 p.m.

#### **165. CARS PARKING ON VALLEY ROAD - OUTSIDE HANOVER COURT.**

Members had received complaints regarding the parked vehicles belonging to the workman at Hanover Court on Valley Road and asked the Clerk to speak to the Police to see if anything could be done,

#### **166. CLOSURE.**

The meeting closed at 8.15p.m.