



SHIPSTON-ON-STOUR TOWN COUNCIL Minutes

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MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY FEBRUARY MEETING OF SHIPSTON ON STOUR TOWN COUNCIL HELD VIA VIDEO CONFERENCE COMMENCING AT 7.00 PM ON MONDAY 15TH FEBRUARY 2021

Present: - Town Cllrs: S. Saunders (Mayor), I. Cooper, P. Cowley, P. Cox, J. Dinnie, F. Ivens, G. Kelly, V. Murphy, P. Tesh, S. Timms, M. Westwood, P White

Public: 0

Press: 0

WCC & SDC: 0

Clerk: A. Packer and D. Neath

INTRODUCTION

Cllr Saunders, Mayor of Shipston Town Council, welcomed attendees to the Extraordinary February Town Council meeting which, due to restrictions of COVID-19, was held via the 'Zoom' platform.

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Cllr. Barker.

2 DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST – Cllrs. Cooper and Murphy disclosed an outside (but non pecuniary) interest in item 4. It was noted that all Councillors had an interest in item 4 as Trustees of the Mayo Road Recreation Charity.

3 TO NOTE DISPENSATIONS RECEIVED BY THE CLERK - None

4.1 MAYO ROAD RECREATION GROUND CHARITABLE TRUST

Cllr. Saunders read out the following statement:

"In view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted with regard to Mayo Road Recreation Ground Charitable Trust, it is advisable in the public interest, as if members of the public were present during the consideration of such business, there would be disclosure to them of exempt information under paras 1 and 11 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, that the public be temporarily excluded and they are instructed to withdraw". The exemption relates to advice received, information obtained or action to be taken in connection with legal proceedings involving the Council."

Cllr. Saunders proposed that the public be excluded for item 4 - seconded by Cllr. Cowley – 12 for – unanimous – motion carried

4.2 Following a Trustees meeting held on Monday 8th February 2021, Cllr. Cowley presented outline costs for legal advice (solicitor) and/or negotiations (Chartered Surveyors). Potential conflict of interest discussed.

Recommendation from the trustees of the Mayo Road Recreation Ground Charitable Trust:

That Shipston Town Council, as owner of the land held in Trust, seeks independent legal advice on a matter arising.

Cllr. Saunders proposed that Shipston Town Council initially engage the services of Sheldon Bosley Knight Chartered Surveyors to enter into discussions on behalf of STC on the matter arising - seconded by Cllr. Westwood – 9 for – 3 abstentions – motion carried

Public allowed back to the meeting (none present)

5 STAFFING

Further to the decision to employ staff under the Kickstart scheme, the following recommendation is made:

Recommendation: That council approve a request to WALC for up to two hours of the services of an HR consultant.

Cllr. Saunders proposed that Shipston Town Council approve a request to WALC for the services of an HR consultant for up to 2 hours free of charge - seconded by Cllr. Timms – unanimous for – motion carried

Cllr. Timms' offer of help regarding policies requiring update was gratefully received.

PLANNING

An extraordinary meeting of the Planning Committee held at 6pm prior to the Town Council meeting on Monday 15th February 2021.

Verbal update given by Cllr. Tesh on discussions at earlier Extraordinary Planning Committee meeting as below:

PLANNING MATTERS – all planning applications can be viewed at: <https://apps.stratford.gov.uk/eplanning/>

PLANNING AMENDMENTS/VARIATIONS

- **20/03665/FUL - 60 Donnington Road** - Construct single storey flat roof rear extension (amendment notice dated 9th February). **No change.**

OTHER PLANNING/INFRASTRUCTURE MATTERS

- **Draft Gypsy and Traveller and Travelling Show people Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) –** Notification of public consultation. (Consultation ends 19th February). Full details to be found on SDC website here: <https://bit.ly/38jwrDV> .

Cllr. Tesh informed of detailed discussions on this at Planning Meeting. It had been agreed that STC would respond to SDC supporting the Supplementary Planning Document but requesting more information with regard to itinerant travellers, footways, access, community facilities and wi-fi.

SECTION 106 AGREEMENTS FOR SIGNING BY STC

- **20/02912/VARY –** Supplemental Deed of Agreement to S106 for **17/02741/FUL** - Land at Ridgeway, London Road **Agreed that the Clerk contact the owner of the land (Linfoot Country Homes Ltd) before responding to SDC as noted by Cllr Cooper that developer had previously agreed to cover legal costs.**
- **13/02360/OUT –** Land off London Rd (Chapel View), S106 for ‘Offsite Open Space Contribution’ - **To be discussed at next Planning Committee meeting.**
- **13/02571/OUT –** Land South of Campden Road/West of Oldbutt Rd – S106 for “Off Site Open Space Contribution “ **To be discussed at next Planning Committee.**

Date of next scheduled meeting of the Planning Committee – Monday 22nd February 2021

Meeting closed at 7.38 pm.

Signed:
Councillor Sheelagh Saunders
Town Mayor, Shipston on Stour Town Council

Date: