

**Minutes of the Town Council meeting held in Clare Playing Field Pavilion at 7.00 p.m.
on Monday 10 March 2014**

Present: Cllrs. Peter Phillips, Chair, Paul Bishop, Derek Blake, Margaret Godwin, Phil Gryce, Keith Haisman,
Gayle Mallows, Alan Parsley and Leslie Warmington, Claire Ebeling, Town Clerk
2 members of the public

1 Apologies for absence – None.

2 To receive declarations of members' interests and consider requests for dispensation

Full dispensation for Cllr. Haisman continues for item 6a).

Partial dispensation for Cllr. Blake continues for item 6a).

3 To receive a report on correspondence – The Clerk referred to a letter from the owner of a business in Clare. It was proposed that the document provided by SALC 'Protocols for Public Participation in Council meetings' be adopted for use. Agreed unanimously.

It was agreed that the wording of Town Council agendas be amended to replace 'Parishioners' Question time' with 'Public Participation' in accordance with the reference to members of the public in standing orders and the new protocol document. The Clerk will obtain further (written) confirmation from SALC that the amendment to the agenda is permitted.

Section of the meeting open to the public:

4 Parishioners' question time – Mr Frere offered to explain any queries Councillors had on the planning application for 12 Hermitage Meadow.

End of public section of meeting

5 To approve minutes of previous meeting held on 20 February 2014

Deferred to meeting on 20th March 2014.

6 Planning

Cllr. Mallows proposed that the Chair took 6b and 6c before 6a.

b) DC/14/0298/TCA – Angel Barn, Nethergate Street – Fell one Eucalyptus tree in rear garden

Cllr. Mallows proposed that the response be that there is no objection. Approved unanimously.

c) DC/14/0276/VAR – Lodge Farm, Chilton Street – Variation of Condition 17 (Parking and Turning) and Condition 18 (Approved Plans) of SE/13/0628 to enable the erection of a cartlodge

Cllr. Mallows proposed that the response be that there is no objection. Approved unanimously.

a) DC/14/0100/HH - The Swallows, 12 Hermitage Meadow – (i) Erection of single-storey side link extension between dwelling and outbuilding (ii) new porch (iii) conversion of garage to ancillary accommodation as amended

Cllr. Blake presented his objections to the application. Cllr. Blake then left the room.

Cllr Haisman presented his objections to the application and referred to his letter of objection sent to St Edmundsbury Borough Council. Cllr. Haisman then left the room.

Cllr. Godwin presented reasons for the rejection of the application.

Cllr. Mallows stated that some of the previous concerns have been addressed by the revised plans but that some concerns remained.

Cllr. Phillips (Chair) invited Mr Frere (the architect and agent to the applicant) to answer questions on the application.

Following questions and answers on ridge and eaves heights, flood risk, precedent setting and street scene, Cllr. Phillips proposed a secret ballot which was agreed unanimously. Cllr. Mallows proposed that the application be objected to because of concerns of precedent setting, that the

design is not in keeping with the character of the street, is significantly enlarged and that the roof is closer to the neighbouring property.

3 Cllr.s voted in favour of the objection, 1 voted against and 4 abstained.

7 To receive agenda items for next meeting

To receive a report on the reviewed Risk Assessment

To receive an update on Clare Castle Country Park

To discuss CPFA Precept allocations.

To discuss the venue for Town Council meetings and seating arrangements at meetings

8 To confirm the date of the next meeting as Thursday 20 March 2014.

Confirmed.

The meeting closed at 8.15pm

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