

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF TRING TOWN COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, THE MARKET HOUSE, HIGH STREET, TRING ON MONDAY 27th FEBRUARY 2017 AT 7.30 p.m.

Present: Councillors: M. Hicks
J. Bowden
Mrs O. Conway
H. Grace
Mrs P. Hearn
S. Hearn
P. Hills
N. A. Hollinghurst
N. Nutkins
R. Ransley
C. Townsend
G. Wilkins

Also Present: Mr M. Curry, Town Clerk
Mrs D Slade, Deputy Clerk

14 Members of the public

18624. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

All Members present.

18625. TO MAKE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Mrs Hearn & Cllr Mrs Conway explained that they would not take part in item 18630 as they are members of Dacorum Borough Council's Development Control Committee.

18626. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 30th JANUARY 2017

RESOLVED: To accept the Minutes and for the Mayor to sign them.

18627. MATTERS OF REPORT FROM THE MINUTES

The Clerk thanked all Councillors for the prompt return of their Town Crier articles – the copy has been given to the design agency to produce a preliminary layout.

18628. TO RECEIVE SUCH COMMUNICATIONS AS THE TOWN MAYOR MAY DESIRE TO LAY BEFORE THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

Functions that were attended since the last meeting of the Council in his civic role as Mayor:

4th February 2017 Calamity Jane at Tring Park School

18629. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Standing Orders were **suspended by resolution** at 7.35pm.

Two neighbours of 4/00157/17/FUL spoke of their objection to the proposed development because of the scale of the proposed dwellings and the placement

of the dwellings towards the rear of the site – the 45°line show in the plans being taken from the wrong point.

A neighbour of 4/00199/LDP explained he understood the significance in planning terms of the change of suffix from FHA of the previous application to LDP but felt that the scale of the development and the inclusion of a Juliette balcony warranted the need for a full planning application.

A resident raised questions with regard to Hertfordshire Highways work on Wingrave Road and the refurbishment of the Forge Car Park. He was referred to the local County Councillor. He also expressed concern at the state of the public toilets in the Forge Car Park. These are managed by Dacorum Borough Council and the matter has been raised with them.

A Hastoe resident expressed his concern about the various developments taking place in the woods and the damage being done to the ecology. He asked for the Council's support in lobbying Dacorum Borough Council for thorough enforcement of the conditions under which any planning permissions are given.

The applicant (4/00056/17/FUL) explained the nature of the intended business and that an application for a premises licence would follow. The opening hours would not be later than 10:00pm.

Standing orders were **resumed by resolution** at 7.52pm.

18630. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Council considered planning applications which had been referred by Dacorum Borough Council for observation of this authority. It was decided to request the Local Planning Authority to take the following comments into consideration when determining the under-mentioned applications.

PLANNING REF. NO.

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| 4/00199/17/LDP | Loft conversion at 1 Counters, Miswell Lane, Tring HP23 4EU for Mr Bill Hawkins |
| | The Council noted this application but wanted to draw the attention of the Case Officer to possible issues when determining if the proposal was permitted development. These are the inclusion of a Juliette balcony with full height doors in the rear dormer and the inclusion of the dormer on the front elevation. |
| 4/00207/17/LDP | Single storey rear extension at 12 Park Road, Tring HP23 6BN for Mrs K Moss |
| | The Council noted this application |
| 4/00255/17/AGD | Agricultural building at land at High Scrubs Wood, opposite Ambers Farm, Kiln Road, Hastoe HP23 6LT for Mr Daryl Jones |

The Council had **no objection** to this application, but it was concerned at the proliferation of such buildings in this woodland and asked that compliance was monitored closely

4/00056/17/FUL Change of use from hardware store (A1) to beer tasting establishment (A1/A4) at 6 Parsonage Place, Tring HP23 5AT for Mr Peter

The Council had **no objection** to this application, but it was concerned that there was scope for permission to aggravate traffic problems up the very narrow road serving Parsonage Close. This would arise through customers having to use cars to collect relatively heavy purchases.

4/002018/17/AGD Wood constructed store at Goshawk Glade, near Keepers Cottage, Kiln Road, Hastoe HP23 for Mr Philip Day

The Council had **no objection** to this application

4/00157/17/FUL Demolition of existing building and construction of four 4-bed dwellings at Tring Health Centre, Station Road, Tring HP23 5NF for Gatehill Property Co Ltd

The Council recommended **refusal** of this application because of the scale of the development was too large for the plot and as such out-of-keeping with the surroundings. The Council welcomed the car parking provision and would not want this compromised. The Council would also ask that the Tree Officer be involved to consider possible conditions to preserve the hedging and trees on site.

4/00222/17/FHA Dropped kerb to front elevation at 8 Bulbourne Road, Tring HP23 5HF for Mr Paul Kent

The Council had **no objection** to this application, but wanted clarity on ownership of the area to be block paved. This would be out-of-keeping with the neighbouring street scene and potentially lead to off road parking.

LIST OF DECISIONS BY DACORUM BOROUGH COUNCIL IN RESPECT OF RECENT PLANNING APPLICATIONS

4/03419/16/FUL Permission granted for installation of two roller shutters on front elevation and change of use from window manufacturer to an MOT station at Unit 21, Silk Mill Industrial Estate, Tring HP23 5EF

4/00029/16/MFA* Permission granted for demolition of all existing buildings, construction of 37 residential dwellings (including over 35% affordable housing), alterations to the existing vehicular access onto Aylesbury Road, landscaping and the introduction of informal public open space at Convent of St

	Francis De Sales Preparatory School, Aylesbury Road, Tring HP23 4DL
4/03487/16/FHA	Permission granted for demolition of existing rear extension. Construction of two storey side extension and single storey rear extension at 30 Park Road, Tring HP23 6BN
4/00020/17/LDP	Permission granted for rear facing dormer window and front roof lights at 33 Longfield Road, Tring HP23 4DG
4/03448/16/FHA	Permission granted for two storey side extension. Demolition of existing conservatory and construction of single storey rear extension with roof lights at 19 Brook Street, Tring HP23 5EF
4/03501/16/TEL	Prior approval required and refused for proposed Base Station - 1 No. 12.5M Elara monopole with 3 No. shrouded antennas, 1 No. alifabs lancaster equipment cabinet and ancillary development at land at Tring Park Cricket Ground, Station Road, Tring HP23 5NG

Any application marked with an * was contrary to the Town Council's recommendation.

RESOLVED: To note the planning decisions of Dacorum Borough Council

18631. TEMPORARY TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDERS

No orders received. The deposit documents for waiting restricts on Miswell Lane and Wick Road and parking places on Wingrave Road have been received.

18632. STANDING COMMITTEES

The minutes of the following meetings were considered:

- (i) Planning Committee held on 13th February 2017
- (ii) Buildings & Assets Committee held on 13th February 2017

RESOLVED: To receive and adopt the minutes listed above.

18633. OUTSIDE BODIES

Members gave reports of meetings attended when representing the Council:

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| Cllr Townsend | attended a Friends of Tring Church Heritage (FOTCH) trustees meeting and a FOTCH Strategy meeting. He reported that there was a wide range of events scheduled for the year |
| Cllr Bowden | explained his discussion with Age UK Dacorum over the future of the dementia café at the Community Centre |
| Cllr Mrs Conway | attended a meeting of Old Church House – bookings are high |
| Cllr Mrs Hearn | attended meeting of her organisations – nothing to report. She advised Members of the recent death of Pat Gray, a previous Town Councillor. Mrs Gray took an active role in many local organisations - Tring Pensioners Group, Royal British Legion and Dacorum Tring Access Group – contributing greatly to the local community. |

18634. TRING YOUTH TOWN COUNCIL

The Council received the minutes of Youth Town Council meeting held on the Wednesday 25th January 2017. Cllr Hills will attend the next meeting.

RESOLVED: To note the minutes received

18635. THE CLERK'S FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND TO CERTIFY THE SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS

The Clerk's report and schedule of payments was circulated prior to the meeting and was reviewed at the meeting.

RESOLVED: To confirm and certify the schedule of payments as presented.

18636. SECURING THE FUTURE OF THE NEW SURGERY

Cllr Bowden briefed the Members on the current situation with regard to the New Surgery.

RESOLVED: For the Clerk to write to Herts Valley Clinical Commissioning Group seeking clarity on the future of GP provision in Tring

18637. THE PROTOCOL FOR USE OF CHURCH SQUARE AND THE MARKET PLACE

Drafts for the protocols were circulated prior to the meeting. The following amendments/considerations were requested when a revised draft was submitted to Council:

- Deletion of the phrase referring to Council costs
- Clarity on the definition of not-for-profit organisations and the exceptional circumstances that permit commercial organisations to hire Church Square
- A weight limit for vehicles on Church Square
- Further emphasis on need for any hirers to demonstrate competence and compliance with any relevant legislation

The meeting closed at 9.07pm

Chairman