

## MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of the **REPRESENTATIONAL COMMITTEE** held in the Stable Block Meeting Room, Stone House, Corve Street, Ludlow on **TUESDAY 5<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2011** at **7.00pm**

### **R/89 PRESENT**

Chairman: Councillor Wilcox

Councillors: Callender; Davies; Hunt and McCormack

Officers: Communications & Cemetery Officer, Gina Wilding

### **R/90 APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Aitken & Smithers

### **R/91 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

In accordance with the terms of the Local Authorities (Model Code of Conduct) (England) Order 2007 issued under Section 51 of the Local Government Act 2000 Members declared interests as follows: -

#### **Personal Interest:**

Cllr Callender	<b>7b</b>	Council REP for Whittcliffe Common
Cllr Callender	<b>11/00962/LBC</b>	knows the applicant
Cllr Davies	<b>11/00962/LBC</b>	knows the applicant
Cllr Davies	<b>7a</b>	ex member of RBL & ex serviceman
Cllr Hunt	<b>11/00962/LBC</b>	knows the applicant
Cllr Hunt	<b>7a</b>	ex member of RBL
Cllr Hunt	<b>7c</b>	sister-in-law on Friends Whitcliffe Common
Committee		
Cllr McCormack	<b>11/00962/LBC</b>	knows the applicant
Cllr McCormack	<b>7c</b>	ex member of Agenda 21
Cllr Wilcox	<b>11/00962/LBC</b>	knows the applicant
Cllr Wilcox	<b>11/01192/FUL</b>	knows the applicant

#### **Prejudicial Interest**

Cllr Callender	<b>11/00903/FUL</b>	applicant
Cllr Davies	<b>11/00903/FUL</b>	applicant
Cllr Hunt	<b>11/00903/FUL</b>	applicant
Cllr McCormack	<b>11/00903/FUL</b>	applicant

Cllr Wilcox                      11/00903/FUL                      applicant

**R/92    PUBLIC OPEN SESSION (15 minutes)**

There was one member of the public present.

A member of Ludlow RBL informed members that although the RBL has finds they were not permitted to use them for events of this nature. The three day event for the Poppy Appeal would benefit many residents in Ludlow during the three days as well as raising funds. The Poppy Appeal is very well supported in Ludlow and £21,000 has already been donated by local residents.

**R/93    MINUTES**

**RESOLVED (unanimous)**

That the minutes of the meeting of the **REPRESENTATIONAL COMMITTEE** held on **8<sup>th</sup> March 2011** were approved and signed as a correct record.

**R/94    PLANNING DECISIONS FROM SHROPSHIRE COUNCIL**

The decisions listed below were **NOTED**:

**RESOLVED (unanimous)**

10/05479/LBC                      **Decision Grant**

10/05555/FUL                      **Decision Grant**

10/04546/REM                      **Decision Refused (Applicant has appealed)**

**LTC appeal comments:** Members have no objection to this development. They support the provision of modest houses in Ludlow, as they are more likely to be affordable to local people on local wages. Members would like to point out that outline planning permission for three dwellings of modest size has already been approved for this site.

10/04956/FUL                      **Decision Grant**

10/05358/ADV                      **Decision Grant**

10/05483/VAR                      **Decision Grant**

**R/95    PLANNING APPLICATION COMMENTS**

**RESOLVED**

11/00784/LBC 11/00785/LBC    27 Broad Street Ludlow                      **No Objection**  
(3:1:1)

11/00903/FUL                      Ludlow Amateur Boxing Club Wheeler Road Ludlow  
**LTC comments:** LTC is the applicant, so all members present declared a prejudicial interest and were therefore unable to vote on the application.

11/00928/LBC                      Pie Cottage 11 Bell Lane Ludlow                      **No Objection**  
(unanimous)

11/00962/LBC                      9 Mill Street Ludlow                      **No Objection**

(4:0:1)

11/01067/TCA

Dinham Lodge Dinham Ludlow

**LTC comments:** The proposed works are part of a complete redesign and replanting of the garden to be supervised by professional landscapers and the owners are clearly keen to do a careful job. The trees proposed for removal, although visible from the public footpath and overlooked from Whitcliffe, have no intrinsic aesthetic value and their removal is a sensible part of the overall plan.

The 4 yew trees are rooted in the top of the town wall. The trees are cantilevered over the public footpath and, at about 11 metres tall, exert heavy mechanical pressures on the wall in windy weather with the risk of damage to both the wall and the public. Their complete removal would involve substantial repair work on the wall either in the short term if the stumps were removed or in the long term if the stumps were left to rot. The proposal to retain the trees as a hedge or topiary is therefore a sensible one which will both remove some of the dangers arising from mechanical stress on the wall and avoid the expense of its repair.

The three horse chestnuts are proposed for pollarding at 10 metres. These trees are a prominent feature of the view from a section Castle Walks and a potential risk to users of the footpath. As the applicant's notes say, all three have rotten cavities from previous loss of branches or cutting. Pollarding at 10 metres will create new points of decay in a species which is particularly vulnerable to failure from disease. In our opinion these three trees would be better removed completely before the garden is reconstructed and replaced by a decorative species. This would have the advantage of removing a long-term hazard over the footpath whilst also opening up a view from this section of Castle Walks to the river.

11/00775/FUL 11/00880/LBC 3 Upper Linney Ludlow **No Objection**  
(unanimous)

11/01031/LBC 16 King Street Ludlow **No Objection**  
(unanimous)

11/00877/FUL The Angel Broad Street Ludlow **No Objection**  
(unanimous)

11/01109/FUL 38 Corve Street Ludlow **Objection**  
(unanimous)

**LTC comments:** Members object to the proposed development of the existing garage because it is very large and out of scale with the existing house. The resulting self contained residential unit would also be suitable for resale as a separate dwelling, and members object to fragmentation of the site in this way.

11/01182/FUL 11/01183/LBC 25 Mill Street Ludlow **No Objection**  
(unanimous)

11/01304/TPO 3 The Cliff Park Dinham Ludlow **No Objection**  
(unanimous)

**LTC comments:** The 4 sycamores are clearly visible from the road and have some public amenity as a screen to some of the holiday cottages on the Cliffe park. They have, in some cases, previously been reduced. They have the potential to become very large

trees. The proposed pollarding is a sensible step for management of a species which responds well to the treatment.

<b>11/01192/FUL (4:0:1)</b>	Linney Villa, Linney, Ludlow	<b>No Objection</b>
<b>11/00355/LBC (unanimous)</b>	111 Corve Street, Ludlow	<b>No Objection</b>
<b>11/012220/LBC (unanimous)</b>	10 Bull Ring, Ludlow	<b>No Objection</b>

## **R/96 GRANTS, PLANNING, TRANSPORT, PARKING & PATHS**

### **(a) Grant Application RESOLVED (unanimous)**

To award £200 to Royal British Legion

### **(b) Grant Application RECOMMENDATION (unanimous)**

To recommend that Friends of Whittcliffe Common are awarded £500 as a Core Funding award. The funds no longer required by Cittaslow Ludlow CIC in the financial year 2011 / 2012 have been identified as more than adequate to cover this award.

### **(c) Grant Application RESOLVED (3:2:0)**

To award £200 to Ludlow 21

### **(d) Community Infrastructure Levy: Final Draft Charging Schedule RESOLVED (unanimous)**

To make the following comments on the Final Draft Charging Schedule:

In their analysis of the document, members commented that the language and phrasing in some sections of the document notably points 3.2; 4.4 and 4.6 is imprecise and unnecessarily wordy.

Members concluded that they are in favour of financial contributions being made in a regulated and accountable way to assist with adequate provision of infrastructure and services in Ludlow.

### **(e) Tree Preservation Order RESOLVED (unanimous)**

To note the Tree Preservation Order 2011 on four mature Oak trees at Eco Business Park (Phase 2) Sheet Road, Ludlow

**(f) Changes to Disabled Parking Bays**  
**RESOLVED (unanimous)**

To note that the traffic regulation order came into operation 21 March 2011

**(g) Type and Affordability of Housing SPD**  
**RESOLVED (unanimous)**

To note the Adoption Statement

**(h) Shropshire Olympian Festival**  
**RESOLVED (unanimous)**

To note information

**(i) Grant Correspondence**  
**RESOLVED (unanimous)**

To note letters of thanks from Ludlow College and Severn Hospice

The meeting closed at **20:50pm**

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Chairman

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Date

NB: No confidential minutes will be issued