

MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of the **REPRESENTATIONAL COMMITTEE** held in the Stable Block Meeting Room, Stone House, Corve Street, Ludlow on **TUESDAY 6th MARCH 2012** at **7.00pm**

R/88 PRESENT

Chairman: Councillor Wilcox

Vice Chairman: Councillor Smithers

Councillors: Callender, Davies, Hunt & Perks

Officers: Gina Wilding, Deputy Clerk

Also attending: Dyanne Humphries, Principle Planning Officer, Shropshire Council; Peter Norman, Tree Warden

R/89 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Aitken & McCormack

R/90 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 Perks	12/00877/TCA	knows the applicant
Cllr Perks	8b	has been on a site visit
Cllr Smithers	8b	has been on a site visit
Cllr Wilcox	12/00630/TCA	is a near neighbour of the applicant
Cllr Davies	12/00834/FUL	knows the applicant

R/91 PUBLIC OPEN SESSION (15 minutes)

There was one member of the public present:

Shropshire Councillor Rosanna Taylor-Smith
9 Mill Street, Ludlow

R/92 MINUTES**RESOLVED (unanimous)
JS/GP (3:0:3)**

That the minutes of the meeting of the **REPRESENTATIONAL COMMITTEE** held on **7th FEBRUARY 2011** were approved and signed as a correct record.

R/93 CONSERVATION AREA AND TPO PROCEDURES

Members received an informative presentation in which Peter Norman explained the framework and context of Tree Works Applications and Tree Preservations Orders (TPO).

Mr Norman *Dip Arb, RFS* explained his status, which is a volunteer tree warden and the implications of this in regard to professional indemnity insurance. He also stated that the status of the town council is statutory consultee to Shropshire Council, which is the decision making body, and usually the final decision is delegated to a Shropshire Council officer.

Mr Norman recommended a reference publication Tree Preservation Orders 'A Guide to Law and Good Practice' (2004) and an addendum published in 2008, which are available online.

Mr Norman explained there is a six week window following a tree works application within which a TPO may be made by the local authority

Criteria for TPO

1. Public Amenity
2. Expediency (evaluation of the value of protecting the tree in relation to the wider picture)
3. Quality of form of the tree

Mr Norman explained how tree root systems work and the importance of protecting a tree's roots, which are much shallower (max depth 60cm) than it is widely appreciated, because damage to the roots may not be visible in the health of the tree for up to 15 years.

Chairman Cllr Wilcox thanked Mr Norman for his presentation and for all the work he does for the Council.

R/ 94 PLANNING DECISIONS FROM SHROPSHIRE COUNCIL

The decisions listed below were **NOTED**:

**RESOLVED (unanimous)
JW/JS**

11/04379/FUL	Grant	11/04565/FUL	Grant
11/04380/LBC	Grant	11/05744/FUL	Grant
11/05729/FUL	Grant		

R/95 PLANNING COMMENTS

12/00630/TCA 52 Lower Broad Street Ludlow
RESOLVED (unanimous)
JS/LC

No Objection

12/00755/TPO Trees Around Cliffe Caravan Park Halton Lane Ludlow
RESOLVED (5:0:1)
JW/GP

No Objection

LTC comments: Members believe that if screening with trees is integral to the site, they would not like see the screening diminished over time, as this would change the original character of the site.

12/00877/TCA Mr Underhills, Dinham
RESOLVED (unanimous)
JW/LC

No Objection

12/00454/LBC Garages Off Brand Lane 27 Broad Street Ludlow
RESOLVED (unanimous)
PH/LC

No Objection

12/00546/ADV 18-19 King Street Ludlow
RESOLVED (unanimous)
JS/GP

No Objection

LTC comments: Members have no objection to non-illuminated signs, but had reservations about the suitability of the proposed materials in a conservation area and would like to defer to the advice of the Conservation Officer

12/00672/FUL 93 Greenacres Ludlow
RESOLVED (unanimous)
JS/LC

No Objection

12/00609/FUL Kingsley Garage Corve Street Ludlow
RESOLVED (unanimous)
JW/LC

No Objection

12/00756/FUL 22 Dinham Ludlow
RESOLVED (unanimous)
JW/GP

Object

LTC comments: Members object to the overbearing appearance of the fence panels and diminished amenity of neighbours who are overlooked.

12/00867/FUL 67 Greenarces Ludlow
RESOLVED (unanimous)
JS/LC

No Objection

LTC comments: Members have no objection subject to the comments of neighbours

12/00834/FUL Guy Harlings, New Road, Ludlow
RESOLVED (unanimous)
JW/ DD

To defer to next meeting

12/00710/FUL Ludmore, 56, Gravel Hill, Ludlow
RESOLVED (unanimous)
JS/ GP

To defer to next meeting

R/95 GRANTS, PLANNING, TRANSPORT, PARKING & PATHS

(a) PART- NIGHT LIGHT

RESOLVED (unanimous)
JW/ JS

That they thought the criteria for exemptions were sensible and necessary, although they also commented that the scale of the exemptions may mean that the scheme may not be as cost effective as first thought.

In addition to the location of Ludlow Town Council's CCTV cameras (as indicated on map).

There are also CCTV cameras in the following locations:

Spar (includes Raven Lane area)

Blue Boar Inn

Tesco

One Stop, Henley Road

Shop on corner of Livesey Road / Sandpits Road

Tuffin's Shop

Parry's Road Shop

Vulnerable areas include:

Ludlow Hospital

Guy Thorneycroft

Upper & Lower Fee

Whitefriars

Poyner Road

Weyman Road

The Eco Park was identified as an area of unnecessary light pollution.

(b) PROPSALS FOR ZEBRA CROSSING AND TRAFFIC CALMING

RESOLVED (unanimous)

JS/ GP

To support Shropshire Council proposal regarding changes to Sheet Road

Cllr Perks had undertaken a survey of residents with Unitary Cllr Martin Taylor-Smith on 21 January 2012 and reported that the proposals were widely welcomed. Cllr Smithers had also undertaken a site visit.

Members felt that the narrowing effect of the cycle lanes would slow traffic on Parry's Road and the positioning of the crossings would also have a traffic calming effect.

(c) THE CONSERVATION TRUST FOR ST LAURENCE, LUDLOW

RESOLVED (unanimous)

JW/ DD

To note a letter of thanks

R/96 FUZION DANCE AND CHEER

RESOLVED (unanimous)

JS/ PH

To award a £200 project support grant to Fuzion Dance & Cheer

R/97 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC: PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960
RESOLVED (unanimous)
JW / DD

That the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item(s) of business pursuant to section 1 of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

The meeting closed at **20:56pm**

Chairman

NB: Confidential minutes will be issued

Date