

## MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of the **REPRESENTATIONAL COMMITTEE** held in the Stable Block Meeting Room, Stone House, Corve Street, Ludlow on **TUESDAY 7<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2012** at **7.00pm**

### **R/78 PRESENT**

Vice Chairman: Councillor Smithers (chairing)

Councillors: Davies, Jackson, McCormack, & Perks

Officers: Gina Wilding, Deputy Clerk

Also attending: Dyanne Humphries, Principle Planning Officer, Shropshire Council

### **R/79 APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Aitken, Callender, Hunt and Wilcox

### **R/80 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:**

<b>Cllr Smithers</b>	<b>11/05780/FUL</b>	<b>is a near neighbour to applicant</b>
<b>Cllr Perks</b>	<b>11/05780/FUL</b>	<b>is a near neighbour to applicant</b>

### **R/81 PUBLIC OPEN SESSION (15 minutes)**

There was one member of the public present:

Shropshire Councillor Rosanna Taylor-Smith

Cllr Taylor-Smith informed members that the minutes from Ludlow Area Planning Liaison Group are not public, although the minutes of Ludlow Area Conservation Area Advisory Committee are a matter of public record and suitable for inclusion on the agenda.

R/82 **MINUTES**

**RESOLVED** (unanimous)  
RJ/SMc

(i) That the minutes of the meeting of the **REPRESENTATIONAL COMMITTEE** held on **10<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2011** with amended apologies were approved and signed as a correct record.

(ii) Members make further comments connected to Ludlow Hospital application with reference to the Save a Ludlow Town Surgery campaign as detailed below.

Members feel that saving Ludlow's hospital facilities is the primary objective and in general terms the new hospital would offer a unified and improved service. They also believed that funding for a new hospital had been dependant on inclusion of surgeries onsite.

The new location would bring the doctor's surgery facilities closer to residents from the Rockspring & Gallows Bank Ward, so there would probably be as many winners as there were losers regarding the location. Members believed that bus timetables would be amended to provide a more effective service.

Members expressed concerns that an onsite pharmacy might have an unfair advantage because of the convenience factor, although a town pharmacy already offered a door to door service for repeat prescriptions which was unlikely to be replicated at a hospital pharmacy.

Members agreed that the best course of action was to attend the public meeting.

R/83 **LUDLOW AREA PLANNING LIASION GROUP**

Members were informed by Dyanne Humphries that further minutes from the group would be confidential because they would be dealing with the pre-application stage of potential planning applications and the minutes would not be made public.

The Town Council's Representative at the Liaison Group meeting would have the option to invite the developer to address Representational Committee or Full Council.

Members agreed that the pre-application process was new and untested and required review after a period of three months. Members suggested that the first applications to go through the process should be made available to Representational Committee once they had been through the pre-application process and were no longer confidential.

**RESOLVED** (unanimous)  
JS/SMc

To note minutes

**R/ 84 PLANNING DECISIONS FROM SHROPSHIRE COUNCIL**

The decisions listed below were **NOTED:**

**RESOLVED (unanimous)**  
**JS/RJ**

11/04983/FUL	Grant	11/05406/FUL	Withdrawn
11/05337/LBC	Grant	11/05407/LBC	Grant
11/04012/FUL	Grant	11/05438/FUL	Grant
11/05586/LBC	Grant	11/05583/FUL	Grant

**R/85 PLANNING COMMENTS**

12/00155/FUL 8 Charlton Rise Ludlow

**RESOLVED (unanimous)**  
**SMc/RJ**

No objection

12/00184/LBC Ye Olde Bull Ring Tavern 44 Bull Ring Ludlow

**RESOLVED (unanimous)**  
**JS/SMc**

No objection

11/05744/FUL Spinnaker Linney Ludlow

**RESOLVED (unanimous)**  
**SMc / JS**

No objection

12/00218/FUL & 12/00219/LBC 9A Corve Street Ludlow

**RESOLVED (unanimous)**  
**JS/SMc**

No objection

11/05780/FUL Unit 9, Orleton Road, Ludlow

**RESOLVED (unanimous)**  
**SMc / JS**

No objection

12/00086/TCA Old Gate House Old Street Ludlow

**RESOLVED (unanimous)**  
**SMc / JS**

No objection

**12/00070/TCA** Mill House Lower Mill Street Ludlow  
**RESOLVED (unanimous)**  
**SMc / JS**

No objection

**LTC comments:** Subject to views of Natural England

**12/00272/TCA** 17 Broad Street Ludlow  
**RESOLVED (unanimous)**  
**SMc / JS**

Members expressed regret that a Walnut Tree would be felled.

**12/00273/TCA** Linfield Linney Ludlow  
**RESOLVED (unanimous)**  
**SMc / JS**

Object to the proposal because the work would significantly alter the sinuous appearance of the tree and is therefore not an appropriate treatment for the tree. Members recommend a TPO to prevent or modify the proposed work

**12/00036/TCA** Sandown, 18 Gravel Hill, Ludlow  
**RESOLVED (unanimous)**  
**JS / SMc**

No objection

**12/00071/TPO** 37 Baker Close Ludlow  
**RESOLVED (unanimous)**  
**JS / RJ**

No objection

**LTC comments:** From the inspection of Ludlow Council's Tree Warden, members have been advised that the mature oak is one of many in the area which give it a cohesive landscape character. As the area around it is not fenced although it is private property the owner must be particularly careful that members of the public (who can walk without hindrance beneath the tree) are not likely to suffer injury from falling branches. It is therefore appropriate that the owner should have dead wood cleared by a competent tree surgeon. There is also an area of significant rot in one major branch and a safety report by a competent arborist would be sensible.

**Members agreed to invite Ludlow Town Council Tree warden, Peter Norman to give a briefing on Conservation Area and TPO procedures at the next Council Meeting**

12/00177/TCA Whitcliffe Common Ludlow  
**RESOLVED (unanimous)**  
**JS / RJ**

Members would like to endorse the comments made in the application, but would also invite the applicant to expand on these comments and make specific applications for works that are deemed to be over and above general maintenance work.

**R/86 GRANTS, PLANNING, TRANSPORT, PARKING & PATHS**

**(a) CHANGE OF MEETING DAY**

**RESOLVED (unanimous)**

**JS / SMc**

To defer a recommendation to Council regarding changing the day of Representational Committee from April 2012 onwards and leave the decision to the 2012/13 Representational Committee

**(b) PRE-APPLICATION PROTOCOL**

**RESOLVED (unanimous)**

**JS / SMc**

To note the pre-planning application protocol

**(c) PRE-APPLICATION DISCUSSIONS PROTOCOL**

**RESOLVED (unanimous)**

**JS / SMc**

To defer recommending the protocol to Council until a period of three month had elapsed and the Committee had received general feedback from Cllr Perks

**R/87 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC: PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960**

**RESOLVED (unanimous)**

**JS / 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 **21:03pm**

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Chairman

NB: Confidential minutes will be issued

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Date