

MINUTES OF PLANNING AND FINANCE/AUDIT COMMITTEE HELD ON
TUESDAY 21st NOVEMBER 2017 AT
8.00 PM AT MILLFIELDS, MILL WAY NEEDINGWORTH.

PRESENT:

Cllr J Neish (chairman)
Cllr S Mortlock
Cllr I Neve
Cllr M Williamson
Cllr A Holloway
Miss J Bowd (Parish Clerk)
No members of public

26. To Receive Apologies for Absence.

Cllr E MacPherson - Personal
Cllr R Fountain- Personal

27. To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 17th October 2017
Resolved: That the minutes be signed as a true and correct record.
All in favour (Prop Cllr Mortlock, 2nd Cllr Williamson)

28. Planning.

28.1 To consider the following planning applications received:

(i) Application ref:17/01706/FUL-Departure application.

Erection of food store (use class A1) with associated parking, landscaping, access and associated works - REVISED SITE PLAN AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
Land at Junction of Stocks Bridge Way and Needingworth Road
Needingworth.

Clerk tabled an email from HDC officer outlining the need for a departure application. This explained that the area is in the local plan as light industrial class B1 and that this need to be deviated from if a retail outlet is to go ahead (class A1)

Cllr Neish remained members that the Council did support the application made by ALDI.

Cllr Neve stated that on Facebook there are comments that work has already started. He considered that whilst a store would be welcome this is the wrong location due to the lack of traffic infrastructure.

Cllr Holloway pointed out that since the original application further development on Harrison Way has been approved.

Parish Clerk asked that members give consideration to the difference in traffic movements between office use and retail outlet.

Resolved: That the departure application be declined based on the traffic infrastructure and the other approved developments in the area. Lane priority at the roundabout needs installing and the cyclepath along the A1123 needs a safe route across Stocksbridge Way.
(Prop Cllr Neve, 2nd Cllr Holloway) All in favour

28.2 To consider request from HDC: Opportunity for HDC parishes to Influence Planning.

Cllr Williamson considered this to be an unpaid tick box exercise.

Cllr Neish agreed that it was not feasible.

Resolved: That the Clerk write to HDC with Councils comments that this is not a practical solution to the problem with planning within HDC (Prop Cllr Williamson, 2nd Cllr Holloway) All in favour.

29. To consider waiver of interment fees Mill Way cemetery.

Cllr Neish spoke to advise that this was a one off request to be considered in light of the deceased's connection with the Council.

Cllr Neve felt that a lasting memorial would be more appropriate something that reflects the deceased's interest in the environment.

Resolved; that the Clerk look into possible environment projects. (Prop Cllr Neve, 2nd Cllr Williamson) All in favour.

30. To consider request from Red7 Inshore Diving Limited to use common land Holywell Front for pontoon.

Cllr Neish explained that since the original request from Red7 and the agenda being issued that work has commenced without approval. Both the Clerk and he has visited the site and spoke to the team. The Clerk also confirmed that earlier in the day she has received a telephone call from JM Bentley, the client, apologising and offering to meet on site.

Cllr Holloway felt that they should be advised that any damage to the common land needs repair.

Resolved: That the Clerk write expressing Councils disappointment with the series of events and arrange a meeting. (Prop Cllr Neve, 2nd Cllr Holloway) All in favour.

31. Items to report

- Cllr Neve reported that on Facebook work has commenced on the ALDI site.
- Cllr Mortlock stated that the Hunts Post had a planning application for a development at 39 Aston Close.
Clerk confirmed that this will be on the full Council agenda for 5th December.

Being no further business the meeting closed at 8.30pm Chairman Date

