

## **NAZEING PARISH COUNCIL**

### **Minutes of the meeting of the Full Council held on Thursday 25th October 2018 at 7:30pm at the Scout Hut, Perry Hill, Middle Street, Nazeing.**

**Members present:** Cllrs Carter (Chairman), Billingham, Clarke, Joslin, Skipper.

**Also present:** Lorraine Ellis (Clerk), District Cllrs Bassett and Sartin, Roydon Cllrs Nicola Wilkinson and Toni Nicholls. 24 members of the Public and Guests.

#### **1. Welcome and Introductions:**

Cllr Carter welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced the Cllrs to the members of the public. Also introduced guest speakers.

#### **2. Apologies for absence:**

Cllrs Arnold, McCarthy, Shorter. Apologies noted from County Cllr Jackson. Not present: Cllr Frydrych

#### **3. Public participation:**

Cllr Carter proposed that participation would be included at the appropriate item.

#### **4. Declarations of Interest:**

Cllr Billingham pecuniary interest in item 12b.

#### **5. Approval and signing of minutes:**

**a)** The minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 27th September 2018 were approved and signed by the Chairman with no amendments.

**b)** The minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on 13th September 2018 were noted.

#### **6. Emergency Planning/Response Process**

Lisa Lipscombe (Contingency Planner for Epping Forest District) introduced herself & her role, which she has done at a previous Council. Responsibilities of the District, County Council and also emergency services were covered. Lisa Lipscombe then walked through the Community Emergency Plan, which is a draft that the Parish Council or a community can use. It is useful to also share this document with other organisations. The Council thanked Lisa Lipscombe for her time.

#### **7. GTRET / Rural Crime Activity**

Chief Inspector Ian Gennery spoke on the work of the Gypsy, Traveller and Rural Engagement (GTRET) Team. 72% of Essex is rural and the Team is trying to improve logging of crimes in rural areas and also following up on the crimes.

Chief Inspector Ian Gennery offered to follow up on any problems that the residents have using the 101 or 999 service; aiming to resolve the problem / issue so that it doesn't happen again.

A resident asked about a recent fly tipping incident, where information on the perpetrators is available but no one has been prosecuted. Chief Inspector Ian Gennery advised that as this is still an ongoing case, he was unable to comment.

A resident commented on the issue with migrant nursery workers and what is & is not acceptable behaviour in this country. Chief Inspector Ian Gennery advised that in Tiptree there is a new approach which educates migrant workers. The scheme appears to be working well.

## **8. Policing and Crime in Nazeing**

PC Kathryn Selby covered statistics for the area (if available, details to be posted on the Council's website) and in comparison with other areas, Nazeing is still showing that it is a safe place to live. In the past month, there have been two burglaries, with 3 in total in the past 3 months.

A resident raised the issue of speeding in the village. PC Selby is aware of the issues and spoke about a recent speeding exercise carried out by the South Roads Policing Unit. This resulted in 26 drivers being identified as speeding; details have been posted on Facebook 'Nazeing and Sharing page' (23/10/18).

A question on CCTV was raised in relation to criminal prosecutions. CCTV can be useful, however, achieving appropriate quality of images has its difficulties (images can be poor quality at night and people cover their faces). The police website Secured by Design looks at security and has advice about minimum standards.

Cllr Carter covered costs of paying for different types of police officers. An increase of approximately £20 / year in Council Tax would cover the cost of a fully uniformed police officer. Cllr Billingham asked those present, to indicate if they would be happy paying this amount? Around half showed an interested in paying. The police officer could potentially be shared with Roydon Parish Council and the cost would then also be shared.

Cllr Bassett explained about the police team based at EFDC and how EFDC made the decision to recruit three officers. Cllr Bassett also offered to help with community speed watch – please contact him directly if you are interested.

Chief Inspector Ian Gennery advised about grants that are available for community initiatives.

The Council thanked PC Selby and Chief Inspector Gennery for their time.

It was agreed to discuss item 12 & 13 at this point, due to possible time constraints.

## **12. Planning Applications: DJ.** The following applications were considered:

- (a) **Application No:** EPF/2613/18 **CLD Officer:** Caroline Brown  
**Applicant Name:** Lignacite Ltd  
**Location:** Meadgate Works, Meadgate Road, Nazeing, Waltham Abbey, EN9 2PD

**Proposal:** Certificate of Lawful Development for existing use of B2 (General Industrial).

**Resolved – object to the proposal as the applicant is already in breach of condition 4 (working hours) on application EPF/0361/90.**

- (b) **Application No:** EPF/2512/18 **Officer:** Sukhvinder Dhadwar  
**Applicant Name:** Haycross Ltd & Hog Construction Ltd  
**Location:** Stoneshot Farm, Hoe Lane, Nazeing, Waltham Abbey, Essex, EN9 2RN

**Proposal:** Demolition of existing industrial buildings, vacant stabling & 5 bedroom residential apartment & construction of 14 no. detached houses & 12 no. "affordable houses" with associated off-street parking, private gardens & landscaping. (Revised application to EPF/3500/17).

It was noted that Cllr Billingham left the meeting for the duration of the discussion on this planning application.

A representative for the applicant explained some of the planning history and the reason for this new application.

A resident spoke against the application and expressed the following concerns

- about the number of vehicles that would result with a development of this size
- it is still the same footprint with less houses than the previous application
- the impact on the local school & doctor's surgery
- the development is unsustainable
- the application is near to a floodplain
- Emergency services might have difficulty accessing the development.

The resident also mentioned that the applicant is advertising a new & large warehouse and distribution centre to be sited on this land. The resident appeared to be of the view that this advertisement amounted to intimidation.

Another resident said that the EFDC Area Planning Sub-Committee West committee considered an application for 36 houses on this site, which was refused. It appears that a member of the committee may have suggested that the application could be amended with a reduced number of houses and could then be re-considered.

Cllr Clarke proposed to object to the application. Cllr Carter seconded the proposal. Three Cllrs voted in favour of the proposal to object and one Cllr voted against the proposal.

**Resolved – object to the application for the following reasons:**

- i) **The site is considered to be unsustainable.**
- ii) **The new dwelling houses are not readily accessible by sustainable means of transport or provide safe and convenient access to pedestrian and cyclists.**
- iii) **Future residents of the dwellings would therefore be heavily dependent on the use of private cars which is contrary to local policies CP1, CP3, ST1 and ST2.**
- iv) **The proposal constitutes inappropriate development in the Green Belt which is contrary to policies GB2A and GB7A.**

(c) **Application No:** EPF/2599/18 **DOC Officer:** Shannon Murphy  
**Applicant Name:** Mr & Mrs Sutton  
**Location:** Land adj to Havenslea, Nazeing Common, Nazeing, Waltham Abbey, EN9 2SD

**Proposal:** Application for Variation of Discharge of Condition EPF/0019/18 - Condition 3 `types and colours of external finishes for EPF/1956/16: (Erection of 4no. market dwelling with garages, parking and turning; 1no. new highways entrance; upgrading of existing highways entrance).

**Resolved – to defer the application to the District Council conservation area officer.**

(d) **Application No:** EPF/2505/18 **Officer:** Nick Howard  
**Applicant Name:** Mr Kevin Ellerbeck  
**Location:** Nazeing Service Station, Nazeing Road, Nazeing, Waltham Abbey, EN9 2HU

**Proposal:** Application for Removal of condition 4 `Removal of permitted development rights and 5 `No conversion of roof space to living space' of EPF/2698/16 (Demolition of the existing service station and construction of 6 x 2 Bedroom Houses with amenity space, off-street parking and landscaping. Alternative design to approved scheme EPF/0303/13 with higher roof heights).

**Resolved – Whilst the application was submitted by the developers, the Council is the owner of the land and accordingly has a pecuniary interest, and therefore makes no comment.**

### **13. Enforcement Notices/Appeals:**

a) No appeals received since the last meeting.

**b) To note Enforcement Cases Closed (01/10/18 to 12/10/18):**

Reference	Address	Breach	Result
ENF/0050/18	Yelverton, St Leonards Road Nazeing, Waltham Abbey, EN9 2HQ	Raising of land levels	3
ENF/0659/15	Woodside Barn, Paynes Lane Nazeing, Waltham Abbey, Essex, EN9 2EY	Building constructed inside the barn -No letter or email sent.	1
ENF/0115/18	Clematis Cottage, Betts Lane Nazeing, Waltham Abbey, EN9 2DA	Extension not built as EPF/3284/16 (Link between cottage and new part of build)	1

Result: 1 - Planning Permission Granted, 3 - Breach Ceased

**9. Amenity Matters:**

**a)** Elizabeth Close Play Area. Play area gate needs repairing / replacing. Update. **DJ** Cllr Joslin advised that it can't be repaired by the Council because the self-closing mechanism is a sealed unit and it would not be easy to dismantle. It was resolved to proceed with Wicksteed undertaking the servicing of the gate and possible installation of a new part, at a cost of £180 to £479.

**10. Financial Matters:**

**a)** It was resolved to authorise:

i) Payments totalling £4,057.99.

ii) Transfer of £4,500 between bank accounts.

The Financial Summary for October 2018 was approved and will be signed by the Chairman, once a sub-total is corrected. It was noted Cllrs Billingham & Joslin will set up & approve direct credits this month. **Action Cllrs Billingham & Joslin**

**b)** The second quarterly budget report for 2018/19 was noted, no questions raised.

**c)** Regarding bank mandate change requests, Cllr Billingham is on the mandate with online access and Cllr Gross has been removed.

**d)** It was resolved that there would be no charge for the Nazeing Youth FC development team this season, as was the case last season.

**11. Grant Documentation and Application Process. SB/LE**

**a)** It was resolved to approve the revised Grant Awarding Policy, Grant Application Form and Guidance Notes, subject to some minor corrections, an additional section about Safeguarding measures appropriate to the organisation applying for a grant included in the Grant Awarding Policy and further explanation included in one of the sections on the Guidance Notes.

**b)** It was resolved that a working party can be formed to review grant applications and brings proposals to the Full Council meeting in December. This should assist the grant application decision making process.

**14. Clerks Report.**

Report circulated before the meeting. No questions raised.

**15. Reports from Councillors who have attended other meetings.**

None.

**16. Communications.**

The following communications were considered:

**a)** Reminder Pothole initiative. County Cllr Jackson will be able to get a number of potholes repaired in the County as a priority. The three/four worst ones in Nazeing to be identified and reference number & location required. There is one on Middle Street.

It is believed that the road at the parade is EFDC's responsibility. Details required at the latest by 02/11/18. **Action All Cllrs.**

**b)** The Local Council Police & Fire Conference on 20/11/18 from 9:30am to 3:30pm at Dunmow. Cllrs Billingham and Clarke to attend. Other Cllrs to advise the Clerk by 06/11/18 if they would like to attend. **Action All Cllrs.**

For noting:

**c)** Epping Forest District Council (EFDC) Young Citizen of the Year award, closing date for nominations 30/11/18. Details on noticeboards and website.

**d)** EFDC Civic Awards 2019, closing date for nominations 23/11/18. Details on noticeboards and website.

**e)** Letter of thanks for the grant has been received from Brian Starling, treasurer of the Royal British Legion and RAFA

**f)** Letter of thanks for the grant has been received from Elizabeth Brown, chairman of the Nazeingberries Association.

**17. Information Items and other items for next agenda:**

**a)** Cllr Clarke spoke to Revd. Helen Gheorghiu Gould about having a Christmas tree for the community. Cllr Clarke will liaise with Revd. Helen Gheorghiu Gould.

**18. Date of next meeting of Full Council.** 22nd November 2018.

Meeting closed 10:57pm.

**Signed by the Chairman:** .....

**Date:** .....