

## NAZEING PARISH COUNCIL

### **Minutes of the meeting of the Full Council held on Thursday 28th February 2019 at 8pm at the Scout Hut, Perry Hill, Middle Street, Nazeing.**

**Members present:** Cllrs Carter (Chairman), Arnold, Billingham, Clarke, Joslin, McCarthy, Smith.

**Also present:** Lorraine Ellis (Clerk), 2 members of the Public.

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

Cllr Carter welcomed everyone to the meeting.

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

Cllrs Frydrych, Shorter, Skipper.

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

A resident would like to speak on item 12.

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

None.

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

**a)** The minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 24th January 2019 were approved and signed by the Chairman with no amendments.

**b)** The minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 10th January 2019 were noted.

#### **6. Date of Annual Parish, Annual Parish Council and Planning Committee meetings in May 2019.**

It was resolved to accept the revised dates for these meetings of 16/05/19 (Annual) and 23/05/19 (Planning), due to the election date of 02/05/19. St Giles hall to be used if available for the Annual meetings.

#### **7. Planning Applications: DJ.** The following application was considered:

- (a) **Application No:** EPF/3339/18 **Officer:** Corey Isolda  
**Applicant Name:** Mr Schembri  
**Location:** Low Hill Nursery, Sedge Green, Nazeing, Waltham Abbey, CM19 5JS

**Proposal:** Replacement of existing caravans with permanent building containing accommodation for 10 nursery workers.

Although the application relates to a property in the Parish of Roydon, it appears to be on the boundary of both the Parishes of Roydon and Nazeing. It was therefore considered by this Council.

There was some discussion on the application and points from the planning statement were noted. Cllr Arnold proposed no objection to the application, with certain conditions included. Cllr Carter seconded the proposal. All Cllrs voted in favour of the proposal apart from Cllr Clarke who abstained.

**Resolved – no objection but if permission is granted it be subject to the following conditions:**

- i) During construction of the building, the existing caravans are moved elsewhere on the nursery site. When the new permanent building is completed, the caravans are to be removed from the nursery site.**
- ii) An agricultural tie must be placed on the permanent building which must be occupied solely by workers employed at Low Hill Nursery.**

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

Two Appeals have been received since the last meeting.

- (a) Application No:** EPF/1710/18 **Officer:** Sukhvinder Dhadwar  
**Applicant Name:** Mr C Shorter  
**Location:** Ridge House, Hoe Lane, Nazeing, Waltham Abbey, EN9 2RJ  
**Proposal:** Demolition of existing two story detached dwelling and erection of four new detached houses.

**Reason for Appeal:** Against a Refusal

**Appeal Type:** Written representation and site visit

**Resolved - This Council had no objection to the development proposed in the application. Accordingly the Council supports the Appeal. If permission is granted, the Council would request that it be subject to the following conditions:**

- i) Soft landscaping to be planted consisting of semi-mature established trees, to soften the visual impact.**
- ii) The floor area of the proposed dwellings is no greater than that of the existing house plus the extensions approved under EPF/1746/16, EPF/1710/17 and EPF/1676/17.**
- iii) Permitted Development rights are removed on the four new dwellings.**

- (b) Application No:** EPF/1441/18 **Officer:** Caroline Brown  
**Applicant Name:** Mr Jack Yiacoumi  
**Location:** King Harolds Head, Nazeing Common, Nazeing, Waltham Abbey, EN9 2RY  
**Proposal:** First floor extension to form residential flat and ground floor extension to replace store for restaurant use.

**Reason for Appeal:** Against a Refusal

**Appeal Type:** Written representation and site visit

**Resolved - This Council had no objection to the development proposed in the application. Accordingly the Council supports the Appeal and makes the following observations:**

- i) The restaurant at this location is a village amenity and it is the wish of the Council that the business prospers. In particular this is because a number of similar facilities in the local area are being forced to close.**
- ii) The present outbuildings at the property detract from the general attractiveness of the main building which would be enhanced by the proposed development.**
- iii) The new extension will match the existing building the visual effect of which will be improved.**
- iv) The residential flat will assist the viability of the business by providing low cost accommodation for a key employee. Further the accommodation can be considered to be sustainable development because it will not be necessary for the occupier to incur travel costs when attending work.**

## **9. Amenity Matters:**

- a)** It was resolved to replace the street light on Old Nazeing Road at the junction with Green Lane at a cost of £349, as the light is irreparable and also to undertake some tree work by the light if required.
- b)** It was resolved to allow the allotment holders to have a bonfire to burn old sheds and branches that have been cleared from the site and from by the culvert.

## **10. Financial Matters:**

- a)** It was resolved to authorise:
- i)** Payments totalling £2,449.62.
  - ii)** Transfer of £3,000 between bank accounts.
- The Financial Summary for February 2019 was approved and signed by the Chairman. It was noted Cllrs Joslin & Carter will set up & approve direct credits this month.

### **Action Cllrs Joslin & Carter.**

- b)** It was resolved to continue with Rural Community Council of Essex (RCCE) Affiliation fee, at a cost of £50.

### **11. Essex County Council-owned street lights.**

Town and Parish Councils have been asked to pay the electricity costs for ECC-owned street lights to remain on overnight. It was resolved that as no complaints have been received from residents, the Council will not pay for the costs and consequently, the ECC-owned street lights will remain switched off overnight.

### **12. Connecting with the Community. SC**

Cllr Clarke provided an update on the progress by the working group.

i) Community noticeboard. Although one double sided board has been identified, further research is needed to have at least one other option for Cllrs to consider.

ii) History of the former Total site. Cllrs Clarke & Joslin met with two residents to work on the story, one of whom had produced a draft version (he was a former Cllr). Cllr Clarke has amended it and a few queries have been highlighted. Once finalised, it was proposed to add it to the website and have a limited number printed. There were several positive comments from Cllrs about the document, including Cllr Billingham who despite her initial apprehensions, found the document to be concise, well written, and providing a positive outlook. No amendments were suggested by Cllrs present at the meeting. Any comments / suggestions from absent Cllrs to Cllr Clarke by 08/03/19. **Action Cllrs Frydrych, Shorter & Skipper.** The document will then be reviewed and finalised.

iii) Council Parish information booklet. A resident involved in the working group talked through the format of the proposed booklet. This was well received and a vote of thanks given to the resident. It was also discussed that the Local Elections on 02/05/19 should be promoted to ensure residents are aware, it should be used to publicise the Parish Council and as an opportunity to recruit new Cllrs. A leaflet will be produced by the working group. **Action Cllrs on the working group**

iv) "Meet the Councillor" sessions. Cllrs Clarke & Billingham will speak at the Nazeingberries tea on 12/03/19.

### **13. Former Total Site Redevelopment. CS**

a) To provide an update on the redevelopment. C/F to next meeting.

b) To consider and finalise plaque design and wording. C/F to next meeting.

### **14. Defibrillator at Telephone Box at Nazeing Triangle. DJ**

The Council, in principle, will adopt the telephone box subject to further investigation. Cllr Joslin has been investigating and advised that there are a number of conditions that will need to be considered, planning permission may be required, as may insurance. It would appear that BT would cover electricity costs. It was agreed that Stanstead Abbots PC and / or Ongar TC could be contacted as these Councils have a defibrillator and may be able to assist with the investigation. **Action Cllr Joslin & the Clerk.**

### **15. Clerks Report.**

Report circulated before the meeting, no questions raised.

### **16. Reports from Councillors who have attended other meetings.**

None.

### **17. Communications.**

Before communication was covered, Cllr Carter had some information on housing which she wished to share with the meeting. An article has been issued by Planning Resource (an independent source, covering planning matters) which stated that if

Councils fail to meet new housing requirements, then a percentage increase would be added, which also increases depending on how far below housing targets the Council has become.

The following communications were considered:

**a)** Nazeingberries lunch is on 05/03/2019. Cllrs Clarke & Billingham will be attending, as a "Meet the Cllr" opportunity.

**b)** A letter from Mr Ellerbeck has been received regarding the South Nazeing Concept Framework Area as per the Pre Submission Version of the Local Plan. Cllr Joslin briefly covered the details of Mr Ellerbeck's letter, which included further proposals regarding development of the area to include a Community hall. It was resolved to invite Mr Ellerbeck to the next Council meeting (Planning) when he would have the opportunity to present his proposals. A 10 minute time period will be allocated for this purpose followed by questions.

**c)** Update on request to Local Highways Panel (LHP) for the re-instatement of bollards on Pecks Hill. LHP have identified two possible solutions to the issue of large vehicles driving on the footway at Pecks Hill. Option 1 is to install steel reinforced bollards and a "road narrows sign" and option 2 is the construction of "high containment kerbing". However, option 2 requires further assessment and is advised to be more expensive. It was resolved to request option 1. Final decision on approval, or not, is by LHP.

**d)** Update on Community Speed Watch. District Cllr Bassett is waiting for a date for training (about 10 people required), training indicated as being April/May before they have a slot. District Cllr Bassett suggested producing a list of volunteers. He thinks Roydon might be interested so the Clerk has contacted Roydon Parish Council. Cllr Billingham offered to publicise on Facebook.

**e)** Update on the grant for the litter picking group. District Cllr Bassett advised that the grant for equipment has been given and there is an invitation to a Grant Aid Celebration on 08/03/19 at the District Councils offices. It was resolved that the Clerk would attend, as no one from the litter picking group or the Council can attend.

**f)** Advised of another burglary at the former Total site. To consider and agree the next steps to be taken by the Council. This was reported by Cllr Shorter and as no further information is available, C/F to the next meeting.

**g)** Information received regarding licence for planters at Nazeing Parade. To discuss and agree the next steps to be taken by the Council. Due to time constraints, C/F to the next meeting.

**h)** Reply received from Nazeing Youth Football Club regarding request for usage of football pitches at Bumbles Green. This was discussed briefly. Cllr Arnold was surprised by the letter sent by the Council, however, he was unaware that the football club had been contacted several times to obtain usage. It was agreed that the tone of the replies from the football club was unacceptable, especially as the Council is supportive of the club. It was resolved that Cllr Arnold will contact the secretary of the club and that Cllr Arnold and the Clerk will draft a reply to the football club. **Action Cllr Arnold & the Clerk.**

**i)** Complaint received from a resident regarding fly tipping on Public footpaths and also on St Leonards Road. It was resolved that Cllr Billingham will contact Alan Mcilroy (Environment Dept. at EFDC). **Action Cllr Billingham.**

For noting:

**j)** Letter of thanks for the grant for 2019 has been received from Elizabeth Brown, chairman of the Nazeingberries Association.

**k)** The Nazeingberries Association are having a number of events in March. Details are on the website and noticeboards.

**18. Information Items:**

None.

**19. Items for the next agenda:**

None.

**20. Date of next meeting of Full Council.** 28th March 2019.

Meeting closed 10:09pm.

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

**Date:** .....