

TEWKESBURY TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD IN
THE TOWN HALL ON 25th JANUARY 2016 AT 1800

PRESENT

Councillors Badham (Chairman), Brennan, Aldridge, Burns, Carter, Clatworthy, Mitton, Mills, Powell, Poxon, Raywood, A. Smith, Sztymiak and Workman
9 members of the public in attendance

MINUTE'S SILENCE

After prayers, everyone present stood for a minute's silence to remember the recent deaths of Alderman Cliff Burd, Alderman & former Mayor Harry Workman, Mrs Jean Badham and Mrs Linda Blower

10274(01) APOLOGIES

Councillors Danter and V. Smith

10275(02) DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

The following declarations of interest were made:

Name	Type of interest	Reason
Sztymiak	Other	Member of Tewkesbury Borough Council and Gloucestershire County Council
Workman	Other	Member of Tewkesbury Borough Council
	Personal	Minute 10282(09)a Cotswold Dairy – Councillor Workman left the meeting for the discussion and voting on this item

10276(03) DISPENSATIONS REQUESTS

None

10277(04) MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 14th DECEMBER 2015

RESOLVED: - that the minutes of the meeting, held on 14th December 2015, be agreed as a correct record

10278(05) MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

10278.1 Bereavements

The Mayor paid tribute to those who had recently passed away and gave his condolences to all the families and friends.

He specifically mentioned the work of Alderman and former Mayor Harry Workman who, he said, had over a significant number of years, made a major contribution to the Town and the Borough.

He also mentioned Alderman Cliff Burd who had also given many years of public service to the improvement of the Town

Finally the Mayor thanked everyone who had given him their best wishes and support on the recent death of his Mother

10279(06) PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None Submitted

10280(07) TRANSPORT IN GLOUCESTERSHIRE GCC CONSULTATION

RESOLVED: - that

- i. the draft of Councillors Raywood and Brennan be circulated to all Councillors
- ii. a meeting be set up for all Councillors interested to finalise the draft
- iii. the working Group be delegated to send the response directly to GCC

10281(08) PARTNERSHIP WORKING & OUTSIDE BODIES

RESOLVED: - that the following updates be noted

- i. Wheelchair Bus - the group are looking for new drivers to help deliver the service
- ii. TTRP - Councillor Raywood updated on Council the work of the partnership
- iii. NDP - Councillor Raywood updated Council on the consultation process, more responses were need to get a viable sample. The next meeting would be held on 27th January 2016

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PLANNING ISSUES

10282(09)a Cotswold Dairy

Hybrid planning application for the phased redevelopment of Cotteswold Dairy, including: 1. Full application for the demolition of existing buildings and provision of new buildings comprising of 6,223 square metres of floor space to provide cold stores, offices, visitor reception, plant room and staff welfare facilities, additional milk silos, vehicle loading areas and other associated infrastructure (phases 1-2). 2. Outline application for the demolition of existing buildings and phased provision of additional cold storage, processing hall, effluent treatment plant, energy centre, additional car and lorry parking areas, internal roadways and other associated infrastructure totalling up to 8,000 square metres of floor space on the remaining 2.065 ha of land (all matters reserved for future consideration).

RESOLVED: - that the application be approved subject to

- i. The noise alleviation issues being resolved to the satisfaction of the Planning Committee
- ii. The potential flooding issues being resolved to the satisfaction of the Planning Committee

10282(09)b Mythe Development

Residential development of up to 250 dwellings, public open space, vehicular and pedestrian access, and associated infrastructure Detailed approval is sought for access arrangements from Mythe Road, with all other matters to be reserved

RESOLVED: - that the application be rejected on the following planning grounds

- i. The landscape impact is not in keeping with the area
- ii. The linkages to the Town Centre are not workable
- iii. The development is adversely affected by inadequate drainage and lack of surface water runoff areas

10282(09)c Flooding Tewkesbury Motion from Councillor Aldridge

The following motion was moved, seconded and

RESOLVED: that in the light of recent events country wide in respect to flooding, Tewkesbury Town Council seeks assurance from Tewkesbury Borough Council that they will adhere to the country wide agreement that no more than 1% of house-build, new or infill development will take place in the flood plain

It has been reported nationally that they have allowed a 5% increase in the borough, well above the level agreed, and considering what took place in 2007 this is an unacceptable level. Should we get the rainfall of that year Tewkesbury will again be under water to a much greater depth than before

The Town Clerk is instructed to write to the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs and also the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government pointing out these facts and to asking them to give direction to Tewkesbury Borough Council not to increase building within the flood plain as a matter of urgency

COMMITTEES DRAFT MINUTES & REFERRALS

10283(10)a Draft Minutes

- i. Buildings 25th November 2015
- ii. Environment & Amenities 1st December 2015
- iii. Finance 7th December 2015
- iv. Moorings 8th December 2015
- v. Planning 9th December 2015
- vi. Severn Ham 10th December 2015
- vii. Staffing 10th December 2015

RESOLVED: - that the minutes of the Committee meetings detailed above be received

10283(10)b Management of Domestic Bins

RESOLVED: - that

- i. The Town Council acknowledges there is a problem with wheelie bins that needs addressing here in Tewkesbury.
- ii. Tewkesbury Borough Council is asked to recognise the problem and examine mitigation measures that it might adopt.
- iii. The Town Council representatives on Tewkesbury Regeneration Partnership pursue the request within the partnership.

10283(10)c Derek Graham

RESOLVED: - that

- i. up to £4,000 be vired from the following budgets
 - a. Mitton (£1,500)
 - b. Priors Park (£1,000)
 - c. Street furniture (£1,500)
- to deliver the health and safety work, to refurbish the play equipment, at Derek Graham
- ii. the Town Clerk in consultation with the Chairman and ward Councillors agree the programme of works
 - iii. that 'Playdale' and 'Monster' be agreed as the specialist providers as they are the original manufacturers of the equipment

10284(11) HRH the Queen – 90th Birthday

Town Councillors discussed the proposal from Councillor Aldridge - that Tewkesbury Town Council invites all organisation's including schools etc. in the town to join with them in organising Parish litter pickups as part of the national litter clean up to celebrate the Queens 90th birthday year.

RESOLVED: - that

- i. the Town Council supports the celebration to mark HRH the Queen's 90th Birthday
- ii. the matter be referred to the Environment & Amenities Committee to oversee a council wide member group to look at options for celebrations

10285(12) ITEMS FROM COUNCILLORS BURNS & RAYWOOD

1. Motions from Councillor Burns

- a. I propose that Tewkesbury Town Council revert to the original practice of holding monthly meetings to coincide with monthly Police, County and Borough reports as issued to neighbouring Parishes. Offering Councillors and members of the public an opportunity to keep up to date with external and internal correspondence.
- b. I propose that the Council introduce a 'Community Development' Committee. An example being part 4 of NALC 'The Good Councillor Guide'
- c. I propose that Tewkesbury Town Council explore the possibility of introducing a Youth Council
- d. I propose that Tewkesbury Town Council sign up to the Local Council Award Scheme, not just to give Councillors a framework but to reassure the electorate that TTC is a competent body.
- e. I propose that the matter of the installation of a defibrillator in the Town be revisited with the aim of the installation of the device being in place before the one in Cascades is removed.
- f. I propose that Tewkesbury Town Council as Trustees of the Watson Hall seek the expert advice of GRCC as a matter of urgency to fulfil its obligations of marketing, maintaining and promoting the Hall to the best of their ability for the benefit of the Community as a whole.
- g. I propose the Tewkesbury Town Council sign the Armed Forces Covenant as suggest by HM Gov in an email circulated last year.

RESOLVED: - that

- i. Items **a** to **d** be referred to the Finance Committee for consideration and report back to Council
- ii. Item **e** be reported to the Environment & Amenities Committee for consideration
- iii. Item **f** be referred to the Buildings Committee for consideration
Item **g** the Town Clerk be instructed to prepare a report for the next meeting on the implications of signing up to the Armed Forces Covenant

10286(13) BUDGET UPDATE

i. Overview

RESOLVED: - that the current financial overview be noted

ii. Income/Payments

RESOLVED: - that the income and payments be noted

10287(14) TOWN COUNCIL BUDGET & PRECEPT 2016/17

It was proposed by Councillor Mills and seconded by Councillor Powell that the Town Council precept be

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increased by 5% for the 2016/17 financial year

RESOLVED: - that

- i. the precept for 2016/17 be increased by 5% for the 2016/17 financial year

Voting for - Councillors Mills, Powell, Aldridge, Burns, Carter, Clatworthy, Mitton, Raywood and A. Smith (9)

Voting against – Councillors Badham, Brennan, Poxon, Sztymiak and Workman (5)

- ii. the budget as presented be approved (the income from the precept increase to be added to contingencies)
- iii. the reserve of £70,000 be agreed

For information

Tewkesbury Town Council 5% increase impact for 2016/17			
Base properties	Precept £	Band D	Band D increase £
3496.55	256,005	73.22	3.49

10288(15) PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - QUESTIONS TO COUNCIL

None

DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING
Monday 7th March 2016

Final date for agenda items for next meeting: 29th February 2016
Final date for dispensation requests: 3rd March 2016

The meeting ended at 7.40pm

Signed, Chairman...../...../.....