

RAMSEY TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF RAMSEY TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

held on Thursday 8 February 2018 at Ramsey Town Council, 7 Church Green, Ramsey.

Present: - Councillors R Brown, S Corney, Mrs A Costello (Deputy Mayor,) Mrs A Curtis, L Duffy, H Edwards, Mrs D Knight, A Lavender, D McIlwain (Mayor), J Palmer, P Reeve, Mrs S Reeve, S Selby and Town Clerk.

14. **Apologies for Absence**

Councillors P Boost, J Clarke, I Curtis.

15. **To Receive Declarations of Interest**

None.

Unanimously **RESOLVED** to suspend the meeting to enable dialogue with members of the public.

16. **Public Participation**

There were three members of the public present, none of whom spoke.

Unanimously **RESOLVED** to reconvene the meeting.

17. **Town Mayor's Announcements**

The Mayor would be opening the new Pounstretcher store on Tuesday 20th February, 10am.

18. **Minutes of the last Meeting to be Approved**

The minutes of 11 January were accepted as a true record, with 2 abstentions, and duly signed.

19. **Planning Applications for Consideration**

1.1 – 17/02694/HHFUL – Demolition of three single storey extensions and replacement single storey extension together with associated alterations. 31 High Street, Ramsey. It was noted that there was one public objection. Unanimously **APPROVED** proposed alterations will not harm the character of the listed building.

1.2 – 17/02695/LBC – Demolition of three single storey extensions and replacement single storey extension, together with associated alterations 31 High Street, Ramsey. It was noted that there was one public objection. Unanimously **APPROVED** proposed alterations will not harm the character of the listed building.

1.3 – 18/00061/S73 – Variation of condition 1 of application 16/02379/REM – change to plans to show more efficient internal layouts and house types. Approved elevations have been replicated in the plot substitution – Land at Junction of Field Road and Blenheim Road, Ramsey. **APPROVED** by 8 votes with 3 abstentions. Proposed variation will not impact on visual aspect of the development.

1.4 – 17/02569/FUL – Demolish existing building and replace with two storey/single storey trade counter unit (A7) and residential flat (C3) over – Ramsey Delivery Office, Whytefield Road, Ramsey. Unanimously **APPROVED** no adverse impact on street scene.

1.5 – 18/00134/S73 – Application for variation of Condition 2 for application 1401902FUL to allow a new clubhouse with 2 changing rooms and sewage treatment plant, rather than re-locating the existing club house building and septic tank – Land North of Abbey Fields, Ramsey. Unanimously **APPROVED** will improve club's facilities.

Cllr P Reeve joined the meeting.

1.6 – 17/02104/FUL – Retention of one static caravan and installation of two touring caravans and one static caravan for gypsy and traveller occupation, with associated external hard and soft landscaping works – Land West of Goodliffe Cottage, Middle Drove, Ramsey Heights. Unanimously **REFUSED**, will have an adverse impact on the rural location and amenities within the village.

1.7 – 18/00168/TREE – Leyland Cypress – fell because of low amenity value, potential for damage to roof of garage at No.41 and excessive shading of garden at No.41. – 43 Hollow Lane, Ramsey. **APPROVED** by 11 votes with 1 abstention.

1.8 – 18/00169/LBC – External works and repairs to brickwork, window heads, door arch, replacement of 2 window sills and reset front step following subsidence damage – 12 Church Green, Ramsey. Unanimously **APPROVED**, will not impact on character of the property.

PLANNING – Other business

To receive the Planning Tracker Report detailing the results of planning applications made in 2017 – Noted.

Proposed part extinguishment of Public Footpath No. 4 (Biggin Lane) to be replaced with adopted road with footpaths – It was unanimously agreed to request further information.

20. Finance Items

- a) Bank reconciliation figures to 31/01/18 – Noted.
- b) Financial Budget Comparison 01/04/17-31/01/18 – Noted.
- c) Cheque list unanimously **APPROVED**.
- d) To discuss alternative storage and associated costs for Council equipment currently held at the Mortuary Chapel. Further options to be sought.
- e) To receive a report detailing initial costings for The George – Feasibility study sought into viability of business.

21. Amenities, Highways and Leisure Items

- a) Community Market Report – Noted.
- b) It was **APPROVED** by 11 votes with 1 abstention to accept the project feasibility summary provided by the County Council for Wood Lane traffic calming at a cost of £17,135.
- c) To discuss mini roundabout Stocking Fen/Great Whyte – Further advice sought from the County Council.
- d) Grave digging at Ramsey Cemetery – Clerk to report at later date.

22. Town Mayor's and Clerk's Correspondence

- a) Police report - Noted.
- b) General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) preparations - Data Protection Officer – Noted.
- c) Neighbourhood Plan – It was unanimously agreed that the Plan would cover the whole Parish.

23. Attendances at Meetings and Organisations

The Mayor had met with representatives of the Neighbourhood Trust, Ramsey Initiative, Community Road Watch and Abbey Properties.

24. Meeting Dates

The next meeting of Ramsey Town Council will take place on 8 March 2018 at 7pm at the Business Centre, Abbey College.

Town Mayor _____

Date _____