

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE HELD ON TUESDAY 18th
May, 2010 COMMENCING AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE MEMORIAL HALL WELDON ROOM**

Present: J.P.Anderson (Chairman) B.J.Walker (Vice-Chairman) P.R.Dines, R.Muir, G.Trickett, G.Clark.

In attendance: G.Machin, A.Doherty, A.Hughes, B.Hallam, P.Garner-Evans, G.Farnsworth.

1/ Appointment of Chairman for year May, 2010 – April, 2011:

It was moved by B.J.Walker, seconded by P.R.Dines and duly carried by unanimous vote:

That J.P.Anderson be appointed Chairman for the ensuing year.

All in favour.

J.P.Anderson accepted the position of Chairman and thanked the Committee.

2/ Election of Vice-Chairman for year May, 2010 – April, 2011:

In the absence of a nomination for the position of Vice-Chairman, it was agreed the position should remain vacant for the present time.

3/ Apologies: E.Padden.

4/ Declaration of Interest: Nil

5/ Affordable Housing in Gotham:

Suspension of Standing Orders. Proposed by: G.Trickett, Seconded by: R.Muir. All in favour.

The Chairman introduced Mr. George Machin, Planner from Savills, Miss Angela Doherty and Mr. Aaron Hughes, RBC Housing Strategy and Development Officers.

Mr. Machin presented a simple draft layout for a small development of thirteen affordable housing on land behind houses 11-13 on Nottingham Road. Access would be gained from the Brickyard Lane, adjacent to the Royal British Legion. Before any further negotiation, an Affordable Housing Need Survey would take place within the parish to establish whether or not there was still a requirement for such housing. The last Housing Needs Survey took place in 2005.

The Chairman thanked Mr. Machin, Miss Doherty and Mr Hughes for attending the meeting, together with the other attendees and they left the meeting at 8.15p.m.

Resumption of Standing Orders: Proposed by: G.Trickett , Seconded by: G.Clark. All in favour.

A discussion ensued re the need for affordable housing within Gotham and it was agreed a conversation with East Bridgford Parish Council would be useful in order to ascertain the benefit of their affordable homes. Do the general public realise what affordable housing is and how it works financially? It was agreed there was need for more bungalows in the village for the elderly.

PROPOSAL: To refer to Main Parish Council – Recommendation from the Planning and Development Committee for a Rural Housing Needs Survey by GPC, in conjunction with RBC.

PROPOSED: J.P.Anderson, SECONDED: G.Trickett – Vote: All in favour.

6/ Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Planning & Development Committee held on the 16th March, 2010, as previously circulated, be confirmed and signed as a true record of the business transacted.

PROPOSED: B.J.Walker SECONDED: G.Trickett. Vote: All in favour.

7/ Matters arising from the Minutes, not on the Agenda: Nil.

8/ Planning Decisions Received:

10/7: (ref: 10/00416/FUL) 16 Nottingham Rd. – single storey rear extension. – GRANTED

9/ Planning Applications Received: Nil.

10/ Green Belt Issues:

E.Padden and G.Trickett would attend an Enviromental Law Foundation Meeting on the 9th June 2010 from 7.00 - 9.00 pm. at RBC. Topics for discussion were: Sustainable Communities Act, The Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA) process and the role of local communities,

11/ Matters to Report:

G.Trickett queried the planning legality of Showrooms sited within the Industrial site on Nottingham Road. Was the running of a taxi business a contravention of the planning regulations? Clerk would seek guidance from RBC re the use of the industrial site. Also, use of the Day Nursery on Wallace Street for children's parties held at the weekend. Similarly, was this a contravention of the planning regulations? Clerk would enquire from RBC.

A letter had been received by the Chairman from Mr. Oliver, owner of the Industrial site on Nottingham Road, with information regarding his intention to re-submit a planning application for the site to be changed into a Nursing Home. His previous application was due to expire.

The Chairman had received a message from K.Thorpe re tree felling by Lord Belper in Gotham Woods.

12/ Date & Time of Next Meeting: Tuesday, 16th June, 2009 at 7.30.p.m. in the Library Room. Meeting closed – 8.45pm