

MATLOCK TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of Matlock Town Council held on Tuesday 15 December 2009 at 7.00 pm in the Imperial Rooms.

Present: Cllr G Stevens in the Chair
 Councillors: B Hopkinson, Mrs S Burfoot, Mrs A Elliott, Mrs C Hopkinson, M Burfoot, S Flitter (arrived 7.20pm), I Milne, B Tipping, Mrs U Lunn, D Barker (arrived 7.40pm)

Also Present: 5 Members of the Public
 Cllr Chris Jackson – DCC Cabinet Member Highways & Transport
 Mike Ashworth – DCC Deputy Director Environmental Services
 Peter Leigh – DCC Senior Project Engineer Environmental Services

In Attendance: Susan Smith (Town Clerk/Responsible Finance Officer)
 Karen Jenkinson (Finance Officer)
 Amanda Wilson (Clerical Assistant)

394/09 APOLOGIES - None

395/09 VARIATION OF ORDER OF BUSINESS

It was agreed to only take comments from members of the public relating to subjects other than Crown Square and Starkholmes – these subjects would be discussed later. Also to discuss planning application number three first.

396/09 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

District Councillors D Barker, G Stevens, S Flitter, B Hopkinson, Mrs C Hopkinson and Mrs S Burfoot individually made the following declaration:

"I will participate on the basis that this is a preliminary view only. At the District Council I will consider the matter afresh, taking account of all evidence available at that time".

<i>COUNCILLOR</i>	<i>ITEM</i>	<i>TYPE OF INTEREST</i>	<i>NATURE OF INTEREST</i>
Cllr G Stevens	Crown Square	PREJUDICIAL, leaving meeting	Trader
	Item 14 Mid-Derbys CAB	PREJUDICIAL, leaving meeting	On Governing body
	Planning 8	PERSONAL	DDDC
Cllr U Lunn	DCC – Speaker	PERSONAL	Employee
	Item 19	PERSONAL	Past Employee
	Item 22	PERSONAL	Resident of Hurst Farm, DCC Employee
Cllr S Flitter	Planning 8	PERSONAL	DCC Member
	Planning 9	PERSONAL	Know applicant
Cllr S Burfoot	Planning 3	PERSONAL	DDDC – Committee Member
	Planning 8	PERSONAL	DDDC member

	Planning 9 Fairtrade	PERSONAL PERSONAL	Know applicant Involvement with group
Cllr C Hopkinson	Planning 3 Planning 8 Item 14 Army Cadets	PERSONAL PERSONAL PREJUDICIAL	DDDC member DDDC member Involvement with group
Cllr B Hopkinson	Planning 3 Planning 8	PERSONAL PERSONAL	DDDC Cttee member DDDC member
Cllr D Barker	Planning 8 Planning 9	PERSONAL PERSONAL	DDDC member Know applicant

The meeting was adjourned to allow members of the public to speak.

397/09 a)PUBLIC SPEAKING

NAME:	QUESTION OR COMMENT	ACTION TAKEN:
Bill Quinlan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowleston Place – Street light out • Path outside the Co-op has been repaired but people still keep tripping up 	<i>Noted</i>
John Winnard	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crown Square – Congestion on Matlock Bridge and Dale Road • Same route for all vehicles outbound from Crown Square • Crossing at Park Head • Width of footpaths on Bank Road • Welcome puffin crossings but removal of railings from Crown Square allow pedestrians to cross at any point nearer the island • Would like to see the crossings nearer to the square • Large vehicles need a bigger turning circle 	<i>Noted</i>
Tony Symes – Matlock Civic Association	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attractive pavements and block paved carriageways • More trees • Enhanced Crown • Decluttering of road signs • Wider pavements and pedestrian spaces • Reduce Causeway Lane and Bakewell Road to single entry lanes into Crown Square • Block pave lower Bank Road from Crown Square 	<i>Noted</i>

b) Visiting Speakers –Cllr Chris Jackson, Mike Ashworth from DCC Environmental Services and Peter Leigh Senior Project Engineer spoke on Starkholmes traffic issues - appendix 1

c) POLICE MATTERS – None

d) REPRESENTATIONS OR EVIDENCE FROM MEMBERS DECLARING A PREJUDICIAL INTEREST – None

The meeting was re-opened.

398/09 MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday 1 st November	Legal Service in Derby
Wednesday 4 th November	Opened the community networking event at St. Joseph's Church Hall
Sunday 8 th November	Remembrance Day
Monday 30 th November	Attended the school Council Meeting at All Saints Junior School
4 th , 5 th & 6 th December	Victorian Weekend
Saturday 15 th December	Attended the senior citizens party at Starkholmes Village Hall
Thursday 17 th December	Attended the Army Cadets Headquarters to make a presentation

399/09 TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED:

Resolved: that the under-mentioned comments on the following applications should be submitted to the District Council

NO:	APPLICATION NO:	DESCRIPTION AND DETAILS	COMMENTS:
01	09/00676/FUL	Change of use of premises from retail (Use Class A1) to estate agents office (Use Class A2) – TPS Estate Agency – 2 Dale Road Matlock	No Objection
02	09/00677/FUL	Erection of 15 metre high wind turbine and associated equipment store – Mr Edward Beaumont – High Lees Farm Littlemoor Lane Riber	No Objection

Cllr Geoff Stevens left the room while this item was discussed. Returned at 8.20pm

03	09/00719/FUL	Amendments to road layout and associated environmental improvement works – Sainsbury's Supermarkets Ltd & Derbyshire Dales D C – Crown Square Junction Crown Square Matlock	No Objections – see comments appendix 2
04	09/00735/FUL	Two storey extension with undercroft and raised patio and pathway – Ms R Leafe – 174 Starkholmes Road, Matlock	Objection – Site visit recommended by DDDC
05	09/00714/FUL	Erection of dwellinghouse – Mr Daniel Dawes – Adjacent No. 14 Rutland Street, Matlock	Objection – separation of window will be out of character with other property in the area.

06	09/00737/ADV	Display of new ATM surround and internal window display – Lloyds Banking Group – 11 Causeway Lane, Matlock	No Objection
07	PLS/SJG/G/4/Avii	Pruning of a Cherry Tree at 44 Woolley Road, Matlock	No Objection
08	09/00754/FUL	Demolition of annex and change of use of land to create 12 no. car parking spaces – Derbyshire Dales District Council – Town Hall, Matlock	No Objection
09	09/00767/FUL	Erection of dwellinghouse (modification to siting of planning permission DDD/07/00504/FUL) – Mrs Susan Shaw – 41 Snitterton Road, Matlock	No Objection

400/09 TO RECEIVE RECENT DECISIONS MADE BY DERBYSHIRE DALES DISTRICT COUNCIL – Noted

NO:	APPLICATION NO:	PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT	DECISION
01	09/00637/AGR	Extension to agricultural Building at Masson Farm Snitterton Road Matlock	Acceptable by the Council
02	09/00485/VCOND	Variation of Condition 13 to permission 02/11/0921 to allow modified opening times – Kingdom Hall Rear of 63 Bank Road Matlock for Trustees – Matlock Congregation Of Jehovah’s Witnesses	REFUSED
03	09/00552/FUL	Two storey side extensions – 1 Lumsdale Terrace Upper Lumsdale Matlock for Mr Mathew Warren	GRANTED WITH CONDITIONS
04	09/00555/FUL	Erection of polytunnel – Land to the West of The Lowes Riber for Mr Sneddon	GRANTED WITH CONDITIONS
05	09/000576/FUL	Two storey side extension – 15 Bentley Close Matlock for Mr & Mrs S/C Hoole	GRANTED WITH CONDITIONS
06	09/00580/FUL	Erection of 7 no. new build assisted living apartments including associated access alterations (renewal of planning permission 03/09/0677) – Land at Lilybank Hamlet, Chesterfield Road Matlock for Progressive Care Ltd	GRANTED WITH CONDITIONS
07	09/00583/FUL	Erection of dwelling – 149 Smedley Street Matlock for Mr Paul Cotterill	GRANTED WITH CONDITIONS
08	09/00598/FUL	First floor rear extension – 12 High Ridge Matlock for Mr Michael Lester	GRANTED WITH CONDITIONS
09	PLS/SJG/G/4/A7 & 029.44	Proposed felling of a Sycamore tree growing in the wall at The Old Mill which is located to the South East of Lumsdale House, Upper Lumsdale, Matlock	No Objections

10	PLS/SJG/G/4/A7 & 029.44	Proposed work being carried out to trees on land adjacent to the mill pond to the south of 1 Pond Cottage, Upper Lumsdale, Matlock	No Objections
11	09/00593/FUL	Change of use and conversion/extension of outbuilding to form dependant relative unit – Littlemoor Wood Farm, Littlemoor Lane, Riber for Mr Richard Beaumont	GRANTED WITH CONDITIONS
12	09/00601/FUL	Erection of fence (retrospective) – 196 Smedley Street, Matlock for Mr Alan Davies	Refusal

401/09 TO CONSIDER LETTERS RECEIVED ON PLANNING MATTERS
(amended plans, site visits, appeals)

GENERAL: - Noted

NO:	CORRESPONDENT	SUBJECT	NOTES
01	Derbyshire Dales District Council	Planning application 09/00462/FUL Erection of covered practice building and tuition facility	Withdrawal
02	West Coast Energy	Appeal by Derbyshire Wind Energy Ltd – Land belonging to Rushley Lodge Farm, off Wirestone Lane, Middle Moor, Derbyshire	Further Documents

MINUTES

402/09 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

To approve the minutes of the meeting of Matlock Town Council held on Monday 16 November 2009.

The Chair to sign the minutes of the last meeting

Amendment – Page 4 381/09(2) “next meeting” should read “later that meeting”.

Resolved: to approve the amended minutes of the meeting of Matlock Town Council held on Monday 16 November 2009

Work in Progress

The Clerk will respond to requests from Councillors for information on work in progress - **None**

403/09 TO RECEIVE THE NOTES OF THE MATLOCK IN BLOOM MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 16 NOVEMBER 2009 – appendix 3

Resolved: to receive the notes of the Matlock in Bloom meeting held on Monday 16 November 2009

REPORTS

404/09 VERBAL REPORT ON THE VICTORIAN MATLOCK CHRISTMAS WEEKEND

Thanks to Sue (Town Clerk) and staff for all their hard work, Derbyshire Dales District Council and park staff, Caroline Dale for providing the carriage for the parade, Cllrs Cate and Barry Hopkinson for their help with the parade, Air and Army Cadets for their help over the weekend (they will be receiving a share of the street collection), the Lions for providing Father Christmas and to members of the Business Group who helped over the weekend. Derbyshire Dales District Council have surveyed the park

after the event and have reported that appeared to be little or no damage.

Cllr G Stevens

405/09 VERBAL REPORT ON THE CENTRAL AREA LEISURE CENTRE PROJECT CHARTER MEETING (17 NOVEMBER 2009) ATTENDED BY CLLR MARTIN BURFOOT

Cllr Burfoot outlined the key aspirations for the contract – *appendix 4*

FINANCE

406/09 TO APPROVE THE MONTHLY STATEMENT FOR NOVEMBER , PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT (BUDGET) AND INVOICES DUE FOR PAYMENT – *appendix 5*
Resolved: to approve the monthly statement for November, profit and loss account (budget) and invoices due for payment and already paid.

407/09 TO CONSIDER PAYMENT OF COMMUNITY GRANTS TO THE FOLLOWING:
Relate Chesterfield & North Derbyshire request £402.00
Resolved: to pay Relate Chesterfield & North Derbyshire the amount of £402
Mid-Derbyshire Citizens Advice Bureau request £1000.00
Resolved: to pay Mid-Derbyshire Citizens Advice Bureau the amount requested £1000, under section 142 Local Government Act 1972
Matlock Fairtrade Group request £150.00
Resolved: to pay Matlock Fairtrade Group the amount of £150
Matlock Army Cadets request £500.00
Resolved: to pay Matlock Army Cadets the amount of £500

*Members must ensure that they are satisfied that any expenditure awarded is for the benefit of the local area/community and that this expenditure is no larger than the benefit to the area would justify.
(Account: 6-1080 – Community Grants
Budget remaining as at 07.12.09 - £1920.00
Powers used: 'Free Resource' Local Government Act 1972, s.137)*

408/09 RATIFICATION OF ACTION TAKEN BY THE MAYOR AND CLERK IN THE PURCHASE OF ADDITIONAL MATERIALS FOR MATLOCK CHRISTMAS LIGHTS
*(Account: 6-1002 Christmas Lights-new
Budget remaining as at 4/12/09: -£503.00
Powers used: Local Government Act 1972 S.144)*
Resolved: to ratify the action taken by the Mayor and Clerk in the purchase of additional materials for Matlock Christmas Lights – full cost to be presented at the next meeting, once known.

409/09 RATIFICATION OF ACTION TAKEN BY THE CLERK TO PURCHASE A REPLACEMENT CORDLESS DRILL
Resolved: to ratify the action by taken by the clerk to purchase a replacement cordless drill
Bosch 18 with 2 Lithium Batteries (2.6 hrs) – cost £285.00 + vat
Hitachi 14v with 3 hours full use – cost £190.00 + vat
Hitachi 18v with 2 batteries (3 hrs use each) – cost £220.00 + vat - **Purchased**
3 x Replacement batteries 1.4 hours each – total cost £210.00 + vat

*(Account: 6-3002 – Equipment & maintenance of
Budget remaining as at 4/12/09: £1,740.11
Powers used: Local Government Act 1972 S.111, Highways Act 1980 ss.43&50)*

GENERAL ITEMS

410/09 DELEGATION DUE TO ABSENCE OF MEETINGS OVER CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR:

Planning matters to the Clerk and Ward Member
Urgent Matters to the Clerk and Mayor
Financial Matters to the Clerk and Member Treasurer

Resolved: to approve the above matters to be delegated due to absence of meetings over Christmas and New Year

411/09 WISHINGSTONE WAY TREES - To consider future action to take - letters received from local residents. (*Item deferred from last meeting – Councillors are requested to bring the documents relating to this item to the meeting*).

Resolved: to defer to next meeting

412/09 CONSULTATION – GRAND PAVILION, MATLOCK BATH

Comments are invited – information sheet supplied. Deadline Friday 18 December 2009

Resolved: for Council members to respond directly to Derbyshire Dales District Council by Friday 18th December 2009

CLERK'S REPORT

413/09 WILD THYME COMMUNITY GARDEN – UPDATE

Work is underway, the license has been received and is being checked prior to signing by the Mayor, the Conservation Officer at DDDC wishes to look at the work when it is 95% complete prior to issuing the grant.

414/09 TELEPHONE KIOSK – RIBER - Further information received

The Clerk had informed Paul Wilson from DDDDC that Matlock Town Council would take on the kiosk but not the electric. It was understood that the residents had expressed a wish to take on the maintenance of the kiosk once adopted.

415/09 BUS SHELTER – METTESFORD

The bus shelter has been adopted by Derbyshire County Council and be maintained by them. They have requested that we add it to our cleaning regime.

Resolved: to add the bus shelter to our cleaning regime

416/09 FINGERPOST – Matlock Bridge

Placement of the fingerpost has been agreed with Alastair Morley (DCC) with installation taking place week commencing 23 November 2009.

The finger post has been installed by the wall on the bridge

417/09 OFFICE REFURBISHMENT - Update

a) Telephone System - Advice has been received from BT for work to the system.

b) Computer System – Software upgrade

Resolved: to obtain another quote for the telephone system. Both the telephone and computer system quotations be reviewed by the Finance and Audit Committee prior to a recommendation being made at Council.

418/09 DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS – CIRCULARS – Noted

Circular 61	Parish and Town Council Liaison Forum - letter in Cllrs folders
Circular 62 and 63	Training – Law and Good Practice for Parish Councils; Freedom of Information; Course for Chairmen and prospective Chairmen; Clerk Induction Courses; HM Revenue & Customs workshops; Power of Wellbeing; CiLCA
Circular 64	S137 expenditure limit 2009-10

419/09 LETTERS RECEIVED – Noted

ITEM	DATE	CORRESPONDENT	SUBJECT
01	12.11.09	Age Concern	Thank you letter for all the years help the staff have given them – last meeting 11.12.09
02	18.11.09	DDDC	Historic Building & Conservation area enhancement grant aid scheme for Wild Thyme Community Garden Wellington St Matlock
03	03.12.09	Peter Yates	Comments about Matlock

CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

420/09 CONFIDENTIAL MOTION

In view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted members of the press and public be asked to leave the meeting.

Resolved: to ask the press and members of the public to leave the meeting

421/09 STAFF MATTERS

Resolved: to refer the matter to the Staff Review working party

The meeting closed at 9.25pm

Susan Smith (Mrs)

Susan Smith
Town Clerk

Chairman:

Date: