

**DRAFT MINUTES OF THE RECREATION AND PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 26<sup>TH</sup> 2020 AT THE OFFICES OF OAKHAM TOWN COUNCIL, VICTORIA HALL, 39, HIGH STREET, OAKHAM**

**PRESENT:**

Cllrs, Jean Denyer MBE, Adam Lowe, Zoe Neal, Sally-Anne Wadsworth, Paul Buxton, Joy Clough, Paul Ainsley, Town Clerk

**ABSENT:** Cllrs David Romney, Mark Lomas, Nick Woodley

**IN THE PUBLIC GALLERY:** None

Proposed by Cllr Lowe, seconded by Cllr Denyer and unanimously resolved that due to letters of resignation and absence, the Vice Chairman, Cllr Wadsworth would preside and call the meeting to order

**01/20 APOLOGIES**

- (i) Apologies were received from Cllrs Romney, Lomas and Woodley
- (ii) Proposed by Cllr Lowe, seconded by Cllr Denyer and unanimously resolved to approve the absence all due to prior commitments

**02/20 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None declared

**03/20 MINUTES**

Proposed by Cllr Clough, seconded by Cllr Buxton and resolved with 2 votes for and 5 abstentions to confirm and accept the minutes of the Recreation and Planning Committee meeting held on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2019

**04/20 DEPUTATIONS BY THE PUBLIC**

None

**05/20 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

- a) 2020/0111/FUL - 78 High Street - Change of use of the existing offices (B1) at the front of the building to 1 no. 1 bedroom flat, 2 no. 2-bedroom flats and convert shop (A1) at rear to 1 no. bedroom flat, 2 no. 2-bedroom flats and 1 no. 3-bedroom house (C3), Recommend approval with the caveat that internal period fixtures to remain  
Proposed by Cllr Wadsworth, seconded by Cllr Denyer and unanimously resolved
- b) 2019/1409/LBA – Friends Meeting House, South Street - Replace 3 no. timber windows with double glazed casement windows  
Recommend approval  
Proposed by Cllr Wadsworth, seconded by Cllr Lowe and unanimously resolved
- c) 2020/0144/PTA - Catmose Farmhouse 40 Uppingham Road - T1 - Lawson cypress - Split out tree - Fell. T2 - Acacia - Low amenity value tree on drive - Fell. T3 - Lawson cypress - Low amenity value tree on drive – Fell  
Recommend approval  
Proposed by Cllr Buxton, seconded by Cllr Wadsworth and unanimously resolved
- d) 2020/0128/CAT - 28 Catmose Park Road - T1 - Lawson cypress, T6 Indian Bean Tree, T7 Cherry, T8 Maple - Fell to ground level and poison stumps,  
Recommend approval  
Proposed by Cllr Lowe, seconded by Cllr Neal and unanimously resolved

- e) 2020/0114/CAT - 48 Stamford Road - T1,T2,T3-Conifer trees - Reduce to a total height of 3.5 metres, to maintain suitable height for hedge. T4-Beech tree - Reduce to a total height of 3.5 metres, to maintain suitable height for hedge. T5,T6,T7-Conifer trees - Reduce to a total height of 3.5 metres, to maintain a suitable height for hedge. T8-Laurel - Reduce to a total height of 3.5 metres, to maintain suitable height for hedge,  
Recommend approval  
Proposed by Cllr Clough, seconded by Cllr Ainsley and unanimously resolved
- f) 2020/0092/LBA – 21 Northgate - proposed conversion of building to form a single dwelling house  
Recommend approval but to make the comment, the style proportions of the windows are not in keeping with the period of the building.  
Proposed by Cllr Ainsley, seconded by Cllr Neal and resolved with 5 votes for, 1 against by Cllr Clough and 1 abstention by Cllr Lowe

**06/20 PLAYGROUND INSPECTION REPORT**

- (i) Proposed by Cllr Ainsley, seconded by Cllr Wadsworth and resolved with 6 votes for and 1 abstention that all remedial work relating to a medium risk or above to be continually actioned immediately and that the Clerk seeks alternative providers to produce the quarterly independent playground inspection report
- (ii) Proposed by Cllr Wadsworth, seconded by Cllr Clough and resolved with 6 votes for and 1 abstention to remove the Cloverleaf Turnstile in Cutts Close as per the inspection recommendation

**07/20 REQUEST TO USE CUTTS CLOSE**

Proposed by Cllr Denyer, seconded by Cllr Wadsworth and unanimously resolved to approve the request and grant permission for Hollands Fair to use Cutts Close during Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April – Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2020

**08/20 OAKHAM CASTLE - WELL- SCHEDULED MONUMENT CONSENT**

Members noted an application made by RCC to Historic England for scheduled monument consent to carry out some minor repair works to the castle well

**09/20 OUTDOOR FITNESS EQUIPMENT**

Proposed by Cllr Lowe, seconded by Cllr Wadsworth and resolved with 4 votes for, 2 against and 1 abstention that the original proposal of siting the new outdoor fitness equipment on the Centenary Field instead of Royce's Recreation be approved following a request from RCC

**10/20 75<sup>th</sup> VE DAY CELEBRATIONS**

Item deferred

**11/20 2020 SUMMER BAND CONCERTS**

Proposed by Cllr Wadsworth, seconded by Cllr Denyer and unanimously resolved to

- To grant permission to book 10 bands up to a cost of no more than £4000
- To grant permission to book 5 bands for the music festival up to £2000
- To purchase advertising magnets up to a cost of no more than £250
- To authorise the expenditure within the budget heading allocated to the Promotion of Oakham

**12/20 ARMED FORCES EVENT**

Proposed by Cllr Lowe, seconded by Cllr Neal and unanimously resolved that the Armed Forces event can take place in Cutts Close on either Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> or Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2020, and that no charge is made for voluntary organisations

**13/20 REQUEST FROM THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION**

Proposed by Cllr Neal, seconded by Cllr Clough and unanimously resolved to grant permission for The Royal British Legion to borrow a Town Council gazebo for the Rutland County Show

**Cllr Wadsworth thanked everyone for their contributions and closed the meeting at 19.48pm**

**Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_

**24<sup>th</sup> February 2021  
Chairman**