

**MINUTES of a MEETING of the HIGHWAYS & PLANNING COMMITTEE of BOURNE TOWN COUNCIL held on TUESDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2015 at 7.30pm in the COUNCIL OFFICES, SK COMMUNITY POINT, BOURNE**  
(recorded by Assistant Administrator)

<b>Present</b>	<b>Chairman</b>	Cllr D Mapp			
	<b>Councillors</b>	Mrs S Cliffe	P Fellows	Mrs B Johnson	P Knowles
		R McKinney	Mrs P Moisey	C Pattison	Mrs H Powell
		B Russell	Mrs J Smith		
	<b>Deputy Town Clerk</b>		I Sismey		
	<b>Assistant Administrator</b>		Mrs F Barker		0 members public/press

**2076P APOLOGIES**

*Proposed by Cllr Mrs P Moisey, seconded by Cllr C Pattison and unanimously*

**RESOLVED;** to accept the reasons for apology for absence from Cllrs D Higgs, T Holmes and JA Smith

**2077P DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – Declarable Pecuniary Interests (DPI's) and other interests NON-PECUNIARY**

**Agenda Item 8/Minute 2083P-** Cllr Mrs H Powell due to membership of SKDC Development Control/Management Committee

**NON-PECUNIARY** **Agenda Item 8/Minute 2083P-** Cllr Mrs J Smith due to membership of SKDC Development Control/Management Committee

**NON-PECUNIARY** **Agenda Item 8/Minute 2083P/a** Cllr D Mapp as a Trustee of BUC

**NON-PECUNIARY** **Agenda Item 8/Minute 2083P/a** Cllr Mrs S Cliffe as a Trustee of BUC

**2078P REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION**

None had been received

**2079P INDICATION BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO SPEAK ON AGENDA ITEMS**

There were no members of the public present

**2080P TO ADOPT THE NOTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 17.02.15 AS A TRUE RECORD**

*Proposed by Cllr Mrs B Johnson, seconded by Cllr B Russell and unanimously*

**RESOLVED;** to adopt the Notes of the meeting held on 17.02.15 as a true record and for the Chairman to sign them as the Minutes of the meeting

**2081P REPORTS BY DISTRICT/COUNTY COUNCILLORS OR REPRESENTATIVES**

Cllr R McKinney together with Cllr D Mapp and Deputy Town Clerk Ian Sismey had participated in a radio phone-in held on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2015 with the Planning Minister Brandon Lewis regarding Neighbourhood Plans.

**2082P QUESTIONS FROM COUNCILLORS**

None had been received

**2083P PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

a) **Ref:** **S15/0095/TPO/TP2**

**Applicant** David Palmer Tree Services

**Proposal** Crown reduction of a yew tree by 20% - 30%

**Location** The Red Hall, South Street

*Proposed by Cllr B Russell, seconded by Cllr C Pattison and resolved;*

**OBSERVATION;** **Bourne Town Council has no objections**

b) **Ref:** **S15/0169/HS/PC1**

**Applicant** Mr G Gibson & Miss T Edwards

**Proposal** Single storey rear extension

**Location** 5 The Slupe

*Proposed by Cllr Mrs B Johnson, seconded by Cllr B Russell and resolved;*

**OBSERVATION;** **Bourne Town Council has no objections**

c) **Ref:** **S15/0311/HS/PC1**

**Applicant** Mr J Geeson

**Proposal** Demolition of porch & extension; erection of single storey rear extension

**Location** 12 North Road

*Proposed by Cllr Mrs S Cliffe, seconded by Cllr P Knowles and resolved;*

**OBSERVATION;** **Bourne Town Council has no objections**

- d)      **Ref:**                      **S15/0353/HS/PC1**  
             **Applicant**              Mr & Mrs Strickson  
             **Proposal**              Side porch, 2 storey side extension  
             **Location**              44 North Road  
*Proposed by Cllr B Russell, seconded by Cllr Mrs S Cliffe and resolved;*  
**OBSERVATION;**              **Bourne Town Council has no objections**
- e)      **Ref:**                      **S15/0358/LB/PC1 & S15/0370/ADV/PC1**  
             **Applicant**              Heineken Ltd  
             **Proposal**              Replacement signage & external lighting  
             **Location**              Masons Arms Inn, 13 South Street  
*Proposed by Cllr B Russell, seconded by Cllr Mrs B Johnson and resolved;*  
**OBSERVATION;**              **Bourne Town Council has no objections**
- f)      **Ref:**                      **S15/0368/HS/PC1**  
             **Applicant**              Mr Stephen Carter  
             **Proposal**              Demolition of single storey rear extension & erection of replacement single storey rear extension  
             **Location**              4 North Road  
*Proposed by Cllr Mrs S Cliffe, seconded by Cllr Mrs B Johnson and resolved;*  
**OBSERVATION;**              **Bourne Town Council has no objections**
- g)      **Ref:**                      **S15/0387/TCA/TC2**  
             **Applicant**              Mrs S Castley  
             **Proposal**              Fell sycamore tree (self-set tree is causing 8' high wall to lean towards adjoining property, allegedly causing drain damage, & potential danger to persons passing near the wall is a major concern)  
             **Location**              1 South Street  
*Proposed by Cllr C Pattison, seconded by Cllr Mrs P Moisey and resolved;*  
**OBSERVATION;**              **Bourne Town Council has no objections**
- h)      **Ref:**                      **S15/0439/TPO/TP2**  
             **Applicant**              Mr G Subbiah  
             **Proposal**              Removal of 3 horse chestnut trees due to bleeding canker (information with Application form), crown lifting of ash tree by 20% & crown lifting of a horse chestnut tree  
             **Location**              4 Middleton Gardens  
*Proposed by Cllr Mrs S Cliffe, seconded by Cllr Mrs B Johnson and resolved;*  
**OBSERVATION;**              **Bourne Town Council has no objections**
- i)      **Ref:**                      **S15/0392/HS/PC1**  
             **Applicant**              Mr T Shaw  
             **Proposal**              Erection of two-storey front and side and single-storey front and rear extensions  
             **Location**              46 Mill Drove  
*Proposed by Cllr B Russell, seconded by Cllr P Fellows and resolved;*  
**OBSERVATION;**              **Bourne Town Council has no objections**

To enable use of the projector, item 2084P/B/2, following unanimous agreement by members, was discussed next:

## 2084P CORRESPONDENCE

### B) Items for discussion

2.      **Waldon Telecom Ltd** - *Consultation re proposed base station upgrade at CTIL\_113541, VG\_31848, TEF\_73905, Grange Farm Spalding Road, Bourne PE10 0BA*

Teltonica UK Ltd has entered into an agreement with Vodafone Ltd pursuant to which the two companies plan to jointly operate and manage a single network grid across the UK. These arrangements will be overseen by Cornerstone Telecommunications Infrastructure Ltd which is a joint venture company owned by Telefonica UK Ltd and Vodafone Ltd.

Telefonica is in the process of identifying a suitable site in the area for an equipment upgrade. The purpose of this letter is to consult with the council and seek its views on the proposal before proceeding with the works. We understand that the council is not always able to provide site specific comments; however, Telefonica is committed to consultation with communities for mobile telecommunications proposals and as such would encourage a response from the council. There

is a specific requirement for an upgrade at this location to facilitate new network coverage for Telefonica and enhance current Vodafone network coverage.  
The proposed upgrade involves the removal and replacement of 3no. existing antennas with 3no. new antennas and the addition of 2no. 300mm dishes, with development ancillary thereto.  
There are no alternative site options being considered as this is a proposal for an upgrade of an existing site.  
(Maps and drawing of the site and proposed installation will be projected at the meeting)

*Proposed by Cllr Mrs B Johnson, seconded by Cllr B Russell and*  
**RESOLVED;** Bourne Town Council has no objections to this proposal

## **2084P CORRESPONDENCE**

**A) For information only – to be received en bloc** (available for perusal)

- a) LCC – Road Closure Notice:** B1193 West Road (Raymond Mays Way to Exeter Street) 12/03/13 to 14/03/15 (1 day in this period) Alternative route A151, A15, B1193 & vice versa
- b) LCC – Temporary Road Closure:** Manning Road 09/03/15 to 13/03/15 for essential maintenance works. Alternative route via Abbey Road, A15 & A151
- c) S14/3305/FULL** Wells; demolition of industrial unit, conversion of existing unit (in part) to office accommodation with external alterations, new enclosures & new entrance gates  
**BSP Compounds, Tunnel Bank** **Approved**
- d) S14/3593/FULL** Cliffe; C of U of ground floor from A3 café to sui generis tattoo shop 25-27 West Street **Approved**
- e) S14/2441/MJRR** Kier Living; erection of 149 dwellings, associated development, link road, estate roads & open space **Zone 4 & 6 Elsea Park** **Approved**
- f) LCC Highways – Temporary Road Closure -** South Fen Road (near no 24) 7.4.15 – 9.4.15 for essential maintenance works by Anglian Water/Balfour Beatty; alternative route – A151, A15 Main Street (Baston), Baston Outgang Road, Black Drove, Counter Drain Drove & Long Drove

*Proposed by Cllr Mrs P Moisey, seconded by Cllr Mrs B Johnson and unanimously*  
**RESOLVED:** to receive the above items a) to f) en bloc

### **B) Items for discussion**

#### **1. Environment Agency (EA) - Reducing the risk of flooding in the South Forty Foot Catchment - Consultation**

The South Forty Foot Drain (SFFD) takes water from the fenland area of South Lincolnshire into Boston Haven at Black Sluice Pumping Station (BSPS). The EA is responsible for operating the BSPS and maintaining the SFFD and some of its feeder drains. Black Sluice Internal Drainage Board operates on both banks of the SFFD, pumping drainage water into it from its network of ditches. During normal conditions gravity sluices at BSPS discharge the flows from the SFFD when the tide is low. When there are high flows in the SFFD during high tides, the pumping station operates to pump out fluvial flood water into the Boston Haven. The pumping station, built 68 years ago, is now in need of refurbishment. The attached newsletter shows proposed measures for reducing flood risk.

There are 2 public consultation events: 11.3.15 Billingborough Village Hall and 12.3.15 Bicker Village Hall both 12-7pm (copy sent to members)

During discussion Cllr B Russell pointed out that this is an extremely serious issue; during the East Coast Tidal Surge all 5 pumps dealing with land based water had been damaged, i.e. main protection was knocked out during the first wave. It was noted that it has not been stated that all 5 pumps will be refurbished, causing serious concerns. Although BTC has no control over this matter members were urged to attend the public consultations if possible.

*Proposed by Cllr B Russell, seconded by Cllr D Mapp and unanimously*  
**RESOLVED;** to receive the above information and if any members wish to attend the public consultations as individuals they should do so

## **2085P TO DISCUSS THE WORKING PARTY'S SUGGESTIONS RE SELF-HELP AND MUTUAL AID IN TIMES OF SEVERE WEATHER**

The Deputy Clerk distributed leaflets entitled "Ice Busters Community Initiative" which is being looked into by a working party to identify key areas in the local community where people are at risk, during periods of severe weather, from ice ridden footpaths. The working party are looking for the general public to identify those areas within the parish that would benefit from the installation of a grit/salt bin to enable the spreading of grit/salt in periods of severe winter weather. Once areas have been identified and agreed a volunteer will be required to be responsible for the grit bin as

well as the spreading of grit/salt when instructed. Therefore, along with suggestions as to where grit/salt bins should be placed, the working party requires volunteers to come forward to be responsible for a particular bin. The initiative has been considered to meet a community need that could not be fulfilled through LCC Highways as previous requests for bins did not fit with their criteria. Costs have been identified and it is hoped that volunteers may be reached through advertising in the local press and through Discovering Bourne.

Members on the whole felt this initiative was commendable but doubts were expressed regarding gaining volunteers and also the impact on Bourne Town Council's insurance.

*Proposed by Cllr D Mapp, seconded by Cllr Mrs H Powell and unanimously*

**RESOLVED;** to ask LCC and SKDC to confirm what they cover in severe weather; the working party will then consider the response and formulate suggestions to be put forward to BTC at a future meeting

**2086P TO DISCUSS ANY SUCH BUSINESS WHICH THE CHAIRMAN MAY LEGALLY BRING TO THE COMMITTEE'S ATTENTION**

The Deputy Clerk had the three following items:

- Phone-in with Brandon Lewis – link available for any councillors interested
- The next meeting regarding the neighbourhood plan will be held on 18<sup>th</sup> March 2015 at 7.00pm in the Elsea Park Community Centre, Letters have been sent to interested parties informing them of this date and new contacts have come forward including a former planning officer of 40 years experience
- Nomination packs for the forthcoming elections are available in the office

*There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.25pm*