

Ditchling Parish Council

Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held in the Lower Hall, Ditchling Village Hall on Monday 11 July 2016 at 7.30 pm

Present: Cllrs. McBeth (Chairman), Robinson, Leaver, Jones, Smith, Madden (Mrs), Madden (Mr), Ingham and the Clerk, Mrs M. Warner.

Declarations of Interest: None.

Public Participation: Michael Cole from Notcutts Ltd gave a presentation to the Council regarding future plans and development at the Notcutts Garden Centre on Common Lane, Ditchling. Including providing a canopy over outside areas and providing a restaurant with a significantly increased area. It was noted that most of the planned work had been granted planning permission in 2012, this permission has not expired. It was hoped that further work could be done to ensure that suppliers deliver to the Centre from the North, avoiding the centre of the village.

1. *Apologies* for absence: Apologies none. Cllr Banfield has resigned from the Parish Council. The Council thanked her for her contribution as a member.
2. *Minutes of the Council Meeting* held on 27 June having been circulated, were agreed as a correct record and were signed by the Chairman.
3. Planning Applications
 - 3.1) SDNP/16/02979/CND Three Beams, Lodge Hill Lane, Ditchling. Removal of conditions 4 & 5 (archaeology) relating to application SDNP/14/04595/FUL. **No Comment**
 - 3.2) SDNP/16/03156/TCA 5 Charlton Gardens Ditchling. T1-6 Sycamores - reduce to suitable growth points by 20%. T7 Sycamore - next to house but still on boundary of car park side - reduce by 30% to suitable growth points. T8 Ash - thin by 15%, reduce lowest branches by 1m on car park side and remove dead wood
T8 Ash Thin by 10-15% reduce lowest branches by no more than 1m on car park side and remove dead wood. **No Comment**
 - 3.3) SDNP/16/02613/HOUS 16 East Gardens, Ditchling Single storey side extension. **No Comment**
4. *Matters raised by Councillors for exchange of information only*

The Village Fair meeting on 6 July was successful, but a committee to organise the next fair has not yet been elected. The Ditchling Society AGM was well attended with presentations from Mike Burr on the Neighbourhood Plan and the SDNP also gave a presentation. The poster to advertise the Charity Football match has been prepared 20-30 prints are needed. There is a problem with dog mess in East Gardens.

The meeting closed at 8.35pm.