

RAUNDS TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes: 6 December 2016 Time 7.30pm.

PRESENT

Cllr H Howell (Town Mayor) (Chair), Cllr L Wilkes, Cllr R Tyman, Cllr N Beck, Cllr D Hughes, Cllr D Jones Cllr B Tirebuck, Cllr R Levell, Cllr Beattie, Cllr S Hughes, Cllr R Jeffs, Cllr Davidson-Jeffs.

IN ATTENDANCE

Ms Kate Houlihan, Town Clerk (Minutes)
Miss Joanne Coduri, Assistant to the Clerk.

**427.16 To Receive Apologies For Absence.
NONE**

428.16 Notification of requests from members of the public to address the meeting in compliance with adopted protocol.

A request to speak had been received from Mr John Riches.

Mr Riches addressed the Council and spoke against application 16/02119/FUL. He felt that if approved the development would destroy local wildlife and countryside and that Raunds was being covered in concrete.

A request to speak had been received from Anne Dagen.

Anne Dagen addressed the Council and spoke against application 16/02119/FUL. She felt that the development would have a detrimental impact on the residents of Stanwick.

Ms Dagen felt that noise and light pollution were getting worse, in addition she explained that she had concerns that the development would impact wind speeds and that this would lead to serious health and safety implications. Ms Dagen referred members to her detailed response sent to ENC for further details.

**429.16 Notification of members questions in compliance with the council's standing orders.
NONE RECEIVED**

430.16 Declarations of Interest.

COUNCILLORS ARE REMINDED THAT IF THEY HAVE EITHER A DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST OR OTHER INTEREST IN ANY ITEM THEN THEY SHOULD DECLARE THE INTEREST. MEMBERS WITH A DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY SHOULD LEAVE THE MEETING FOR THAT ITEM.

Cllr N Beck declared an interest as he owned a property in close proximity to the development.

Cllr Howell recorded a personal interest as a member of the Planning Management Committee at East Northamptonshire

Council. Cllr Howell noted that any decision would always be made with an open mind and based on the evidence presented at each meeting. Cllr Howell further explained that she had consulted the monitoring officer at East Northamptonshire Council.

Cllr Hughes recorded a personal interest as a member of the Planning Management Committee at East Northamptonshire Council.

431.16 PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FOR CONSIDERATION

16/02119/FUL | Development of two distribution buildings containing B8 warehousing space with ancillary office, B1 office and research and development space (B1c) together with vehicular access from Warth Park Way and London Road , earthworks and landscaping including the creation of drainage features with green infrastructure and landscaping provision including along Meadow Lane | Land End Of Scalley Way Raunds Northamptonshire.

Cllr Howell asked that no members of the Council make a proposal until all members have had the opportunity to explain their view.

During discussion members raised the following points:

- It had been a privilege to attend the public meeting on 30th November 2016 and hear many of the attendees speak about the application.
- It was felt that development would conflict with the Strategy for the Nene Valley (Destination Nene Valley).
- It was noted that the response made by the council needed to be backed up with reference to legislation.
- Members felt that Meadow Lane was a wonderful recreation area which would be lost.
- Concerns were raised regarding traffic and that every entrance into Raunds was single carriageway.

Cllr Beck noted that he wanted to represent the views of local residents.

Cllr S Hughes called for a recorded vote and it was...

RESOLVED that Raunds Town Council strongly object to planning application 16/02119/FUL. It was delegated to the clerk in consultation with the planning consultant to prepare a response based on the issues raised by residents and all relevant policy matters.

With Cllr H Howell Cllr L Wilkes, Cllr R Tyman, Cllr N Beck, Cllr D Jones Cllr B Tirebuck, Cllr R Levell, Cllr Beattie, Cllr S Hughes, Cllr R Jeffs and Cllr Davidson-Jeffs voting in favour of the resolution.

Cllr D Hughes abstained from the vote.

The Clerk advised that she would work with the planning consultant to prepare a response. This would be circulated to members and presented to the Full Town Council meeting of 13th December 2016 for approval.

The meeting closed at 20.32

Approved: (Town Mayor)

Meeting date: 13 December 2016.....(Council)