

MOTION TO WORTHING BOROUGH COUNCIL

There has been a windmill on the Furze Road site since at least 1615; the current mill has been on the site since the 1700's. That the mill is now a fully operating windmill is because thousands of man hours have been committed by volunteers in not only restoring it to its former glory but ensuring the work carried out was to the highest possible standard, thus ensuring the mills availability for future generations. While carrying out this work they have also managed to save sufficient funds to ensure that they would be able to positively react to a major incident.

All of this work is now under considerable threat as over the years development of houses and the growing of trees has resulted in only two areas from which the wind can blow when it would be possible to operate the mill and grind corn. That is in small areas of the south west and north east. If any development was permitted in these areas the mill would be unable to operate.

Senior officers of the Council have visited the mill and have agreed that it is worth preserving and it is thought that this sentiment is also that of the Councillors.

This Council moves that the officers be instructed to carry out whatever changes to the Worthing Local Plan are necessary to ensure that any future applications to build/re-develop houses/ flats or grow additional trees are refused.

The Grand old Lady of Worthing, the Salvington Mill, deserves your protection as do the volunteers who have put their hearts and souls into preserving her.

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