



MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING AS HELD ON MONDAY 24th APRIL 2023 AT 6.00PM AT ST LEONARD'S CHURCH

Number: 1 /2023

Present: Cllrs Tim Parsons, Jane Timmis, David Boothman, Nancy Wild, Billy Pither, John Williams, Natalie Crowie

Also present: Caroline Freer – Clerk; County Cllr Terry Douris
Katie Andrews and Simon Gallagher – planning applications

- 1. To receive and approve apologies;** Cllr Humphreys (personal commitment)
- 2. To receive declarations of interest on agenda items:** None
- 3. To resolve that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting of 20th March 2023 are a correct record.**

Proposed by: Cllr Tim Parsons

Seconded by: Cllr Billy Pither

It was resolved that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 20th March 2023 having previously been circulated as a true and accurate record of the proceedings be duly signed by the Chairman. All agreed

- 4. Public and press participation (15 minutes maximum)** Residents regarding planning applications
- 5. County Cllr Terry Douris to update the meeting:** None
- 6. Planning:**

i) To consider new Applications:

1	23/00694/RET - 1 Little Woodend Cottages	Retention of the change of use of two paddocks to secure dog walking areas	The Parish Council raised no objections to the application, although it was not a majority vote. 2 councillors (out of 6) had concerns about the location of the second paddock. Whilst we acknowledge that significant planting will help, the close proximity to the neighbour's house needs to be considered.
2	23/00796/FHA 10 Old Watling Street	Demolition of existing attached double garage; single storey rear extension and porch. Erection of two storey side extension, single storey rear extension and porch	The PC appreciates the amendments the applicant has made to the plans and raises no objection.
3	23/00723/FHA – 2 Shepherds Yard	Replacement of heritage roof light	No objection

ii) Planning applications received in last 6 days

1	23/00965/MFA Land At Beechwood	Proposed equestrian development comprising stables, exercise arena, horse walker and hay barn with associated access track and	The Parish Council will not object but there is considerable concern over the size of the proposals which involves
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	Park Pickford Road	hardstanding.	stabling for 12 horses, which is verging on a commercial capacity. It is not a small scale development and there is no apparent provision for supervision and security of the horses. The egress on to Pickford Road is not safe as horse boxes and trailers cannot be manoeuvred quickly on to a relatively narrow, dark road.
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iii) Planning Decisions taken by DBC

1	The Maple, Roe End Lane Construction of an equipment and machinery storage building Refused	The proposed development would not comprise an acceptable form of development in the countryside as set out in Policy CS7 of the Core Strategy. In view of its scale, design, site coverage and appearance would be an inappropriate form of development in the countryside and would result in significant harm to the visual amenity of the countryside. The proposed building and introduction of hard standing would not be appropriate in terms of its overall design, scale, site coverage, appearance and materials and as consequence would be injurious to the visual amenity and natural beauty of the area
2	Chad's Den	Granted

- 7 Working Group Reports: Ramp: Re the faculty – the Parish Council confirmed once again (by all) that it has agreed to cover the costs of the ramp. Climate change: Cllr Nancy confirmed that trees are still being planted at the school.
- 8 Allotment: With regard to the request from FGA (Peter Lutman) it was proposed by Cllr Parsons and seconded by Cllr Pither that the PC would pay £500 towards the work to trees at the allotments. All agreed.
- 9 Warden: Dave has painted the pavilion gable in advance of the return of the clock plus the new spindles.
- 10 Finance: To consider receipts and payments reports from as circulated - To authorise payments by BACS as itemised; to consider expenditure against budget report and to sign off bank reconciliations and bank statements to month end @ 31 March 2023. CIL funds of £7408.62 have been received in the April 2023 payment. To confirm payment to FoFS of £1,000 in respect of the Annual Event budget – for the Coronation Picnic expenses - All Agreed.
Finances approval: Proposed by: Cllr Parsons, seconded by: Cllr Williams - All agreed
- 11 Correspondence:
Report tree in Parsons Close to DBC – reported 3 May 2023
Fence panels by flats : Jane to report via Clean safe and green

Cllr Tim Parsons
Chairman
24 April 23