

MINUTES OF THE CROSSWAYS PARISH COUNCIL PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD IN THE SPORTS PAVILION, DICK O' TH' BANKS ROAD AT 7PM ON MONDAY 5TH MARCH 2007

Present: Cllr Brewer (Vice Chairman), Cllr J Chubb (Chairman Planning), Cllr E Stenning (Chairman Amenities), Cllr J Manuel and Cllr Peacocke.

Also Present: District Councillor Seall

GENERAL AGENDA

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION Mrs Bridle informed the Council that there did not seem to be planning notices placed informing residents of current planning applications. The Clerk was asked to speak to WDDC. Cllr Seall responded that on occasions notices were placed by removed by unknown persons.

ITEM 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Apologies were received from Cllr C Round, Cllr R Russell and Cllr T Connor.

ITEM 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST There were no Declarations of Interest.

ITEM 3 DECLARATIONS OF PREDETERMINATION There were no Declarations of Predetermination.

ITEM 4 DATE OF NEXT MEETING It was agreed that the April Committee meetings would be cancelled.

PLANNING COMMITTEE

Chair: Cllr Chubb

ITEM 1 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING (8th January 2007) The Minutes of the previous were accepted as a true record and duly signed.

It was agreed to move Item 4 as Cllr Seall had another meeting to attend.

(ITEM 4) CONSIDER CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED FROM AGGREGATE INDUSTRIES/INVITATION TO OPEN DAY, WEDNESDAY 7TH MARCH AND IMPLICATIONS TO CROSSWAYS OF THE GRAVEL EXTRACTION The Council noted the contents of a letter sent to residents of Crossways. It was noted that the licences for these extractions were granted in the 1960s when Crossways was a very different place and the highway structure very different with fewer traffic movements. It was expressed with concern that extracting 720,000 tonnes of material in 24 months will create considerable noise from heavy goods vehicles and working machinery within the quarrying area. Cllr Chubb's report estimated that 90 weeks to remove 720,000 tonnes of materials, 8000 tonnes per 40 hour week equates to 200 tonnes per hour, every hour. Cllr Chubb further noted that as the extraction is planned to go down approximately 60ft and leave a 14ft deep lake on completion leaving a bank gradient of 35% this lake alongside a road with minimal protection could present a danger.

The Council suspended to allow input from Cllr Seall

Cllr Seall advised that Mr Ian Madgwick, Highways Engineer would be consulted on highway issues. Cllr Seall asked that Crossways comments on this extraction be sent to her and County Councillor Crowhurst. Cllr Seall also advised the Council to enquire as to other consultees and copy comments to them.

It was proposed by Cllr Stenning, seconded by Cllr Manuel that Cllr Chubb's report be accepted by the Council. It was further agreed that Mr Westrell of Aggregate Industries be invited to speak at the next full council meeting.

POST MEETING NOTE: Following the public open day Mr Westrell is resubmitting plans to DCC. These will be reported on when received.

Meeting resumed.

ITEM 2 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES No matters arising.

ITEM 3 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT to include planning applications granted. None to report

ITEM 5 COMMUNITY CENTRE/CHURCH VILLAGE CENTRE – CLLR BREWER Cllr Brewer advised that at present there are two proposals for the Church in Crossways seemingly running 'side by side' one for a church/community on the site adjacent to the Rectory and one for a church/community centre on the land adjacent to the Youth Centre in Old Farm Way. Cllr Brewer expressed concerns that the first option on the land adjacent to the Rectory would not be big enough to accommodate all community activities at present held in the Village Hall which has a limited lease remaining. Concern was noted that if the church/community centre on the Warmwell Road site obtained lottery funding it would preclude any funding opportunities for the larger option on the Youth Club site. The Council all agreed that they would have reservations regarding the amended plans including traffic issues, overspill road-side parking and size impact on the immediate neighbourhood. Cllr Brewer asked that he be given the mandate to advise Reverend Birdseye of the Councils concerns. This was given.

AGREED/ACTION CLLR BREWER/CLERK

ITEM 6 RIGHTS OF WAY ISSUES CONSULTATION The Council noted the document. Cllr Peacocke expressed concern regarding BOATs (Byways Open to All Traffic). Cllr Chubb responded that the lobbying for BOATs seemed to have cooled. No further action was required. Flooding problems on footpaths was forwarded to DCC.

ITEM 7 CONSIDER ANY PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED DETAILS MAPS AVAILABLE AT MEETING. CLLR CHUBB TO REPORT:

a. 1/E/07/000160 WARMWELL COUNTRY TOURING PARK – 2 BULK GAS TANK COMPOUNDS ASSOCIATED WITH INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS ON THE HOLIDAY PARK The Council had no objections to these plans.

B. 1/E/07/0000139 LAND TO THE REAR 40-42 DICK O' TH' BANKS ROAD – ERECT TWO BUNGALOWS After discussion it was proposed by Cllr Brewer, seconded by Cllr Stenning that refusal is recommended on the grounds of overdevelopment and the proximity of the exit road to the school pedestrian access.

ITEM 8 CONSIDER NAMES SUBMITTED FOR ROAD LEADING TO BUNGALOW AT THE REAR OF 23 DICK O' TH' BANKS ROAD UNDER PARISH COUNCILS DELEGATED POWERS TO AGREE STREET NAMING AND NUMBERING The Council agreed to both chosen names for this development. The Clerk was tasked to submit the developers' choice to Royal Mail Address Management.

ACTION/CLERK

ITEM 9 ANY LATE URGENT ITEMS FOR INFORMATION No late items requested.

There being no other business the meeting closed.

Signed (Chairman) 2007