

WATERBEACH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the **Planning Committee** of Waterbeach Parish Council held on 16th April 2013 at 7.30 p.m. at the Old Pavilion, Cambridge Road, Waterbeach.

PRESENT

Councillor N. Kay, Chairman

Councillors B. Bull, W. Bullivant, J. Cornwell, K. Grant, B. Johnson, P. Johnson and A. Wright

OPEN FORUM

The Chairman welcomed those members of the public who were in attendance and having ascertained that they wished to speak on minute **50/12**, (c) (i) moved on to the next item.

APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillors J. Rabbett and C. Smith

48/12 MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 20th November 2012 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.
(Councillor Grant abstained)

49/12 MEMBERS' INTERESTS

Councillor B. Johnson expressed an interest in minute **50/12** (a) (ii) as a neighbour
Councillor P. Johnson expressed an interest in all applications as a District Councillor and in minute **50/12** (a) (ii) as a neighbour

50/12 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

(a) Applications

Members considered the following applications for planning permission, as a result of which it was:

RESOLVED

that the following recommendations be submitted to South Cambridgeshire District Council:-

- (i) S/0546/13/FL Midload Farm, Bannold Drove, Waterbeach Single Storey Front Extension, Single Storey Rear Extension and First Floor Extension

That the Parish Council recommends approval of the application with the following conditions:

- (i) All materials to be kept on site during the works
- (ii) All contractors vehicles to be kept on site where possible

(The applicant informed the Parish Council that there was a discrepancy in the description on the Planning application that the District Council would be amending)

- (ii) S/0612/13/FL The Brewery Tap P.H.,19, Denny End Road, Waterbeach – Single Storey Side Extension

That the Parish Council recommends approval in principle with the condition that disabled toilet facilities be provided by this refurbishment

- (iii) S/0543/13/FL 7, Cheason Walk, Waterbeach – Proposed Two Storey Rear Extension & New Chimney

Due to the submission of a significant amendment to be viewed later in the agenda no comment was recorded for this application

(b) Amendments

The amendment to the following planning application was noted:

- (i) S/0543/13/FL 7, Cheason Walk, Waterbeach – Proposed Two Storey Rear Extension & New Chimney

Members considered the second amendment to the following planning application, as a result of which it was:

RESOLVED

That the following recommendation be submitted to South Cambridgeshire District Council:

- (ii) S/0543/13/FL 7, Cheason Walk, Waterbeach – Proposed Two Storey Rear Extension & New Chimney

That the Parish Council recommends approval with the following comments:

- (i) All materials to be kept on site during works
- (ii) All contractors' vehicles to be parked so as not to be a nuisance or cause obstruction to neighbours

(c) Additional agenda item - application

- (i) S/0645/13/FL Land to the west of Cody Road, Waterbeach
Erection of 60 dwellings (Class C3) including affordable housing, access, car parking and associated works, open space, landscaping & a children's play area

Members of the public expressed grave and serious concerns regarding the suitability of the site for development, citing the propensity of the site to flooding and the unconvincing drainage solutions being proposed. Other concerns included the loss of green space between the village and the former Barracks, the increased vehicular traffic that would be generated in an area already suffering from road congestion, the potential change to the rural quality of village life and the perceived promotion of the village by the developers as a dormitory village, promoting travel to shops and facilities outside the village.

A spokesman for the developer gave assurances that all necessary technical reports had been carried out and met with approval from all the relevant bodies and that the water management scheme that had been proposed had satisfied the water authority.

Having listened to the matters raised and although aware of the national and local need for an increase in housing stock, Councillors expressed their own serious concerns regarding the issues of drainage and flooding. The proximity of the planned garages to existing gardens and the potential problems arising from any future plans to build on top of them was also mentioned. In order to allow time for other residents to make their comments the Clerk was asked to check whether an extension to the determination could be sought. The spokesman for the developer indicated that there would be no objection to an extension from them and that they would contact the District Council Planning Department to indicate the same.

In the meantime, the Chairman stressed the importance of residents submitting their comments directly to the planning authority, South Cambridgeshire District Council.

It was

RESOLVED

That the decision be deferred to a later meeting.

(d) Determinations

The Committee noted that the District Council had determined the following applications:-

Approved

- (i) S/2555/12/OL R/O 10A, Rosemary Road, Waterbeach, Residential development and access on land at r/o 10A Rosemary Road

(Councillor Grant asked if evidence of the drainage scheme could be provided. Councillor P. Johnson said he would check)

- (ii) S/0032/06/F Milton & Waterbeach in the parishes of Milton, Landbeach & Land between Waterbeach Cambridgeshire, Change of use of land to create a multi-sport park, construction of lakes with water storage, canal, new and changed roads, cycling and BMX tracks, bridges (3), engineering operations, embankments and landscaping and outline permission to construct a Sports Centre, Boathouse, Finish Line Towers (2), Warden Accommodation (2) and Amenity Blocks(3)
- (iii) S/0151/13/VC Chear Fen Farm, Long Drove, Cottenham, Removal of Condition 1 (Temporary Additional Hours of Operation) of Planning Consent S/0329/11 for Change to Access and Extension to Hours of Operation of Use of Land as Clay Shooting Ground, Change of Use fo Agricultural Building to Clubhouse, Toilet Block, Storage Containers, Scaffolding Towers, Bunds, Fencing and Pathways

Refused

- (i) S/2615/12/FL Field View Farm, Chittering Drive, Waterbeach Erection of Replacement Dwelling, Garage and Two Agricultural Buildings following Demolition of Existing Dwelling, Outbuildings and Agricultural Buildings. Retention of Existing Grain Store. Part Change of Use Of Agricultural Land to Residential Curtilage
- (ii) S/2576/12/VC Travellers Rest Caravan Park, Ely Road, Chittering, Waterbeach
Variation of Condition 2 (Restriction to Seasonal Use) of permission S/0461/12/VC to extend the times of year which the site can be used for camping and touring caravans

51/12 PLANNING ENFORCEMENT

The list from South Cambs was read out. The issue of the barrier at The Travellers Rest Caravan Park was raised and Councillor P. Johnson agreed to check with the District Council.

52/12 SOUTH CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL PLANNING POLICY UPDATE

This document had been circulated prior to the meeting. Councillor Grant raised the issue of Neighbourhood Planning and requested that it be added to the next agenda.

53/12 CAM LOCKS

Councillor Grant questioned whether further work was going to be carried out on Bannold Road, as there are still problems and things have not been put back to the way they were. The County Council, however, have stated that they are satisfied with the way things have been left.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared closed at 9.10 p.m.

Chairman