

WATERBEACH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the **Planning Committee** of Waterbeach Parish Council held on Tuesday 18th February 2014 at 7.30 p.m. at the Old Pavilion, Cambridge Road, Waterbeach.

PRESENT

Councillor Bull, Chairman

Councillors Cornwell, Bullivant, B. Johnson, P. Johnson and Kay

IN ATTENDANCE

E Jones, Parish Clerk, Cllr J Hockney

APOLOGIES

Cllrs Grant, Rabbett, Smith and Wright,

56/13 MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 21 January 2014 were confirmed as correct.

Proposed: Cllr Cornwell; Seconded: Cllr Kay. Unanimous

57/13 MEMBERS' INTERESTS

Councillors declared interests as follows: -

Cllr Bullivant – item 3(ii)

Cllr P. Johnson as District Councillor for South Cambridgeshire District Council (SCDC).

58/13 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

(a) Applications

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

RESOLVED

- (i) **S/1690/13/FL** Erection of 2 replacement warehouse buildings.
The Acacias, Ely Road, Chittering, Waterbeach, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire, CB25 9PH

that the Parish Council has no objection to the above application

Proposed: Cllr Kay. Seconded: Cllr P Johnson. Unanimous

- (ii) **S/0030/14/FL** Erection of a first floor side and front extension and single storey front extensions.
22, Payton Way, Waterbeach, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire, CB25 9NS

that the Parish Council has no objection to the above application
Proposed: Cllr Cornwell; Seconded: Cllr B Johnson. Unanimous

59/13 PLANNING DECISIONS AND INFORMATION NOTICES

Cllr Bull read out the notifications received as follows: -

- i) **S/2092/13/OL** Permission refused for Outline application for residential development of up to 36 dwellings and formation of access.
Land to the East of Cody Road & North of Bannold Road, Waterbeach CB25 9LS
- ii) **S/2092/13/OL** Amendment: Revised Flood Risk Assessment for Residential development of up to 36 dwellings and formation of access.
Land to the East of Cody Road & North of Bannold Road, Waterbeach CB25 9LS
- iii) **S/2459/13/FL** Permission granted for installation of ATM
11 High Street, Waterbeach, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire CB25 9HN
- iv) **S/0055/14/AD** Permission granted for display of Advertisement associated with installation of ATM
11 High Street, Waterbeach, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire CB25 9HN
- v) **S/02053/13/FL** Application withdrawn for the construction of 34 new dwellings including 32 affordable and 2 market sale properties, as well as associated vehicular access and external works
Land adjacent to 41 Denny End Road, Waterbeach, Cambridge, CB25 9PB
It was noted that there had been an error on the published agenda which had listed this application as having been refused.
- vi) **S/2403/13/FL** Permission granted for an Extension to Car Park.
Thermotechnix Systems Ltd, Denny End Industrial Estate, 2 Pembroke Avenue,
Waterbeach, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire, CB25 9QR.

60/13 FLOOD RISK

a) Capacity of local sewage works

Cllr Bull reported that she had made enquiries but Anglian Water had said that the capacity of treatment works is confidential. It was confirmed that SCDC consults Anglian Water regarding capacity when a planning application is going through.

It was suggested to add this question to the Parish Council Material Consideration Sheet to be considered for future planning applications.

It was suggested the Parish Council approach Anglian Water again for information on the capacity of the treatment works and if necessary put in a Freedom of Information request.

b) Recent flooding in the village

Cllr P Johnson had arranged for Andrew Newton, IDB engineer to give a presentation at the

next Parish Council meeting on 4 March, to explain who is responsible for what in the area drainage. It was suggested we should also approach the County Council and the Environment Agency to come and speak at a future meeting

The meeting was advised that we now had a small emergency stock of 50 sandbags stored in the garage at the Recreation Ground.

Anglian Water had confirmed that on the night of 7 February the treatment works were full to capacity because of surplus water.

There were questions about the effectiveness of the balancing pond at Camlocks, which the Parish Council will investigate further.

Cllr Hockney mentioned that he had been in touch with the local MP amongst others regarding the problem.

61/13 LOCAL PLAN

Cllrs Kay and Bull along with District Cllrs P Johnson and Hockney had attended and spoken at the recent portfolio meeting at SCDC and had made it clear that the Parish Council is opposed to the proposed Local Plan. They had again highlighted the fact that representations had nearly all been flagged against SS5 rather than against individual issues. For example 340 comments had been received about the New Town but only 5 appeared against the issue of road infrastructure.

A special meeting of SCDC will take place at Cambourne on 13th March to agree the Local Plan. Cllr P Johnson will attend. 57 District Councillors are entitled to vote. If SCDC vote to accept the Plan an Independent Inspector will review it in summer/autumn this year.

Members of the public can attend the meeting but need to let SCDC know in advance.

If the plan goes ahead, the A10 may be dualled from the A14 to the New Town. It is anticipated that there would be a new improved station south of the New Town, a ParknRide site and more cycle routes.

Cllr Bull had asked for a guarantee that the barracks site would be built on first.

Many District Cllrs had queried whether the Plan had been properly costed out and felt there were lots of loopholes which could be picked up by an Independent Inspector.

District Cllr Hockney pointed out that the transport plan as proposed was aspirational. He raised the issue of the actions of the District Council being ultra vires which may leave them open to Judicial Review.

Waterbeach Parish Council has always supported the option of 900 homes on the barracks site.

Cllr Hockney is putting together a briefing document. He pointed out that this was a very uneven fight. At Independent Examination RLW are likely to have a paid professional representing them. Cllr Hockney suggested the Parish Council might allocate part of its Precept to appoint a barrister. Cllr Kay pointed out that the feeling against the development is strong. However the open days at the school were very well attended, but only a small percentage of residents have made representations to SCDC. It is not too late to try and engage more people. Cllr Bull pointed out that District Cllr Corney seems to be open to further discussion.

There will be a meeting on Monday 3rd March at the Salvation Army between 3.30 and 9 pm for people to attend and comment.

62/13 CAMLOCKS

A meeting with representatives of the residents was planned for the week beginning 24 February 2014

63/13 PLANNING ENFORCEMENT

Cllr P Johnson reported that the issues of road blockage outside Causeway Villa, Chittering had been resolved.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared closed at 8.30 p.m.

Chairman

UNAPPROVED