

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY 14TH JULY, 2015.

PRESENT: Cllr. Barber, Roberts, Belson, Dunn, Kinnair, Lunken & 4 members of the public.

APOLOGIES: Cllr. Bloomfield & County & District Cllr. Jessica Fleming.

Before commencement of the meeting the Chairman welcomed Mrs. Phyllis Lunken to the Parish Council. A Declaration of Acceptance of Office Form was duly signed by Mrs. Lunken in the presence of the Clerk.

Minutes of the last meeting held on the 9th June, 2015 was confirmed and signed.

TO RECEIVE PECUNIARY AND NON PECUNIARY INTERESTS OF MEMBERS: None.

TO CONSIDER APPLICATIONS FOR DISPENSATION: None

PUBLIC OPEN FORUM: 4 members of the public spoke with regard to Planning Application No. 1985/15. Their comments were noted and taken into consideration when the application was discussed by the Council.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR DISCUSSION:

PLANNING APPLICATION NO. 1985/15.

Proposal: Change of use, conversion and extension of existing retail shop and office (Class A1/B1) to dwelling with erection of linked dwelling to rear following demolition of existing warehouse (Class B8) with provision of associated car parking.

Location: Wattisfield Wines, The Street, Walsham-le-Willows.

The Parish Council had no objection to the change of use but strongly objected to the details of the plans on the following grounds:-

- 1). The extension on the front of the building is excessively large.
- 2). The wall and gateway surrounding the front garden of Unit A is inappropriately high and should be considerably reduced and constructed of materials comparable to those on neighbouring properties.
- 3). More suitable and discreet provision should be provided for bins at Unit A.

PLANNING APPLICATION NO. 1880/15.

Proposal: Erection of single storey rear extensions.

Location: Beech Cottage, The Street, Walsham-le-Willows.

The Parish Council supported this application.

PLANNING APPLICATION NO. 1834/15

Proposal: Erection of single storey side and rear extension.

Location: 3, Grove Road, Walsham-le-Willows.

The Parish Council supported this application.

PLANNING APPLICATION NO. 1484/15

Proposal: Remedial works to all roofs, replacement of chimney, replacement of barge boards to north and east elevations. Replacement of windows to north and east elevations, new window and door to east elevation and replacement of ground floor to kitchen and hallway,.

Location: Sunnyside House, Finningham Road, Walsham-le-Willows.

The Parish Council supported this application.

PLANNING APPLICATION NO. 1714/15.

Proposal: Change of use from retail to residential.

Location: Plot 4 Elmside Lea, Finningham Road, Walsham-le-Willows.

A site meeting was held prior to the meeting and the Parish Council had made no comments..

PLANNING APPLICATION NO. 2360/15

Proposal: T1 – Eucalyptus – Reduce by 30% crown.

T2 – Acer Campestre – Fell.

Location: Hillcrest, The Causeway, Walsham-le-Willows.

The Parish Council commented that they would be happy to see the Eucalyptus removed altogether.

PLANNING OUTCOMES:

PLANNING APPLICATION NO. 1594/15.

Proposal: Erection of conservatory to side.

Location: 5, Elm Drive, Walsham-le-Willows.

Planning permission has been granted by Mid Suffolk District Council.

PLANNING APPLICATION NO. 1795/15.

Proposal: Two storey rear extension and new dormer to front of property.

Location: 26, Broad Meadow, Walsham-le-Willows.

Planning permission has been granted by Mid Suffolk District Council.

PLANNING APPLICATION NO. 1714/15.

Proposal: Change of use from retail to residential.

Location: Plot 4 Elmside Lea, Finningham Road, Walsham-le-Willows.

Planning permission has been granted by Mid Suffolk District Council.

REPORTS:

There were no reports to hand from County and District Councillor Jessica Fleming.

POLICE. In the absence of PCSO Dave Faulkner the Clerk reported that there had been no reported crimes in the village during the past month.

COMMUNITY SPEED WATCH. No report to hand.

PLAY AREA. Cllr. Roberts is still awaiting dates for the Play Area meetings. The Clerk reported that she had received a cheque for £100, this being half the cost of removing the fallen tree from the Play Area hedgerow.

FOOTPATH WARDEN. Cllr. Belson presented a list where new finger posts are required. The Clerk was instructed to inform the Rights of Way Officer.

CLERKS FINANCIAL REPORT AND REQUEST FOR PAYMENTS.

A report of income/expenditure against budget to the 30th June, 2015 was presented.

All cheques were passed for payment and duly signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THE 9th JUNE, 2015:

COMMUNITY PAY BACK TEAM – WORK WITHIN THE VILLAGE. No further progress.

COMMUNITY EMERGENCY PLANNING WORKSHOP. Still ongoing.

LISTED BUILDING STATUS. Still ongoing.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING. The HOUSING NEEDS SURVEY REPORT is now to hand. Cllrs. will now study this and it will be discussed fully at the next meeting.

UNSUITABLE FOR HGV SIGNS AT EACH END OF IXWORTH ROAD. The Chairman had met with Cllr. Jessica Fleming today to discuss this signage. Cllr. Fleming will now get back to Highways with the suggestions that have been made.

WATER IN WATTISFIELD ROAD. A broken pipe replacement has been ordered.

CORRESPONDENCE:

An e-mail from a member of the public has been received regarding the new artificial cladding which has replaced the original timber cladding on the cottage in the street and questions whether the use of such replacement materials are acceptable in the heart of the conservation area.

The Chairman is looking into the matter.

OTHER ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

PARISH COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE FOR COMMUNITY COUNCIL.

Cllr. Dunn has agreed to represent the Parish Council.

CRACK IN CHURCH WALL.

The Chairman and the Clerk had met with Paul Rayson who has advised that there is not a problem .

STRIMMING OF STREAM BANK. To be placed on the agenda for next meeting.

SECOND HALF YEARLY LITTER PICK. This is to be held on Sunday 23rd August, 2015.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS/QUESTIONS TO THE CHAIRMAN. None.

Cheques passed for payment were as follows:-

T.Hunter £100. 80p. (Street cleaning)

A.Clancy £324. 34p. (Clerks wages/expenses)

A.Clancy £28. 80p. (Broadband).

W-L-W Parochial Church Council £175 (Hire of hall).

Mid Suffolk District Council £87. 50p. (Election expenses).

Clarkes of Walsham Ltd. £36. 13p. (Paint for bus shelter).

Cancer Research UK £401. 70p. (Proceeds from Coffee Morning).

The meeting closed at 9.20 p.m.