



WILLINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL



Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on
30 January 2012 at 7 30 pm in the Parish Office, Ploughman Hall, West Fen Road

Present, Councillors: C Jones (Chairman), D Jacques, I Barratt, A Cook (arrived 7.31pm), R Purnell, G Pake,
P King

Parishioners: Two

	ACTIONS
<p>1. Apologies for absence</p> <p>None received</p>	
<p>2. Declarations of interest</p> <p>Councillor King declared an interest in item 6(i). He knows both the applicants although he does not have a personal friendship with either of them.</p>	
<p>3. Public forum (maximum 3 minutes per person, with an overall limit of 15 minutes)</p> <p>The Chairman closed the meeting</p> <p>Mr Amos summarised the submitted plans for 10 Priest Lane, a single storey extension and porch</p> <p>The Chairman reconvened the meeting.</p>	
<p>4. Minutes of the meeting held on 9 January 2012</p> <p>Councillor Barratt proposed these be accepted as a true record, this was seconded by Councillor Jacques and agreed with five votes in favour and two abstentions due to not being at the meeting.</p>	
<p>5. Matters arising from the minutes of the meeting held on 9 January 2012, not covered elsewhere on this agenda</p> <p>None</p> <p>Planning applications for consideration</p> <p>(i) S/2501/11 – 10 Priest Lane, Willingham – Mr and Mrs Amos – extensions and porch</p> <p>Councillor Barratt proposed the Parish Council recommend approval. This was seconded by Councillor Purnell and agreed with six votes in favour and one abstention.</p> <p>(ii) S/2566/11 – 22 Haden Way, Willingham – Mr A Joolia – Two storey rear extension</p> <p>Councillor Cook proposed the Parish Council recommend approval. This was seconded by Councillor King and agreed unanimously.</p> <p>(iii) S/0097/12/FL – Willow, Greenacres, Meadow Road – Mrs C Smith – continued used of land as gypsy site for the stationing of two mobile homes, touring caravan and amenity block.</p> <p>Councillor King proposed that although a deserving case the Parish Council recommend refusal with the following comments. The Parish Council recommend refusal of the application because of the very high proportion of traveller sites already present in the village and the overwhelming opposition to any renewals or new sites until the problems relating to illegal sites and proportionality have been addressed.</p> <p>Willingham already accommodates four times the District ratio of settled to gypsy/traveller parishioners. Willingham Primary School population includes 12% of gypsy/traveller children (33% of the entire District</p>	<p><i>03/12/12</i></p>

figure). The above figures are reflected in the number of high demand gypsy/traveller patients treated by Willingham Medical Practice (refer to their letter to Claire Spencer dated 31 August 2011). 408 caravans are currently sited to the north of the A14; only 58 to the south despite the obvious benefits to gypsy/travellers. Proposals to make permanent temporary and illegal sites and create new ones simply exacerbate Willingham's already intolerable situation. This was seconded by Councillor Pake and **agreed** unanimously.

(iv) S/2405/11 – Willingham House, 50 Church Street, Willingham, – Mr Z Li – change of use from residential training and conference centre (class C2) to hotel (class C1), restaurant (class A3), takeaway (class A5), Bar (class A4) retrospective.

Councillor King proposed the Parish Council recommend approval with the comment that the Parish Council note there is a school on the same site and would point out that the appropriate separation should be in place.. This was seconded by Councillor Cook and **agreed** unanimously.

7. Planning application permissions – (for information only)

(i) S/2278/11 – Land to the East of 47 Station Road, Willingham, Mr and Mrs Price – erection of dwelling and garage.

Circulated and noted

(ii) S/1708/11- Unit 3, Highgate Farm, Willingham Road, Over – change of use from light industry (B1) to catering company's premises including food production and warehousing (B2)

Circulated and noted

8. Appeal Decisions – (for information only)

S/0733/11 – Land to the South of Brickhills, Mr A Greed – 19 proposed dwellings - appeal allowed.

9. Cost Decision – (for information only)

S/0733/11 – Land to the South of Brickhills, Mr A Greed - application for full award of costs against SCDC - application allowed.

10. Correspondence

(i) Notice from SCDC regarding appeal for S/1561/09/F – the Stables, Schole Road, Willingham – Mr D Bibby – to take place on Wednesday 15 February 2012.

Councillor King agreed to attend the hearing.

(ii) Any other Correspondence.

None received.

11. Date of Next Meeting

To be decided.

Meeting closed at: 7:55pm

ACTIONS

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