

WILLINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting of Willingham Parish Council held on 12th February 2025 at 7:30pm, in the Parish Council Office, Ploughman Hall, West Fen Road, Willingham

Present:

Councillors: Councillor Todd (Chair), Councillor Harris, Councillor Law, Councillor Hutchcraft, Councillor Barratt and Councillor Watson

Parishioners: None

Deputy Clerk: Amy Rudderham

1. To receive apologies for absence

Apologies were received and ratified from Councillor McKee due to a personal commitment.

2. Declarations of interest

None.

3. Public forum (*maximum 3 minutes per person, with an overall limit of 15 minutes*) All parishioners wishing to speak and who are on the Electoral register, must make their name known to the Clerk prior to commencement of the meeting. Maximum of five people to speak. Large groups will need to decide on a spokesperson representative.

None present.

4. To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 27th January 2025.

Councillor Barratt proposed the Minutes be accepted as a true record of the meeting, seconded by Councillor Watson and **resolved** with five votes in favour and one abstention due to not being present at the meeting.

Action: Clerk

5. To deal with any matters arising from the minutes of the meeting held on 27th January, not covered elsewhere on this agenda.

None raised.

6. Planning Applications for consideration.

- (i) 25/00186/HFUL – 31 High Street Willingham Cambridgeshire CB24 5ES – Demolition of existing front wall, break out footings, excavate footing other side of the path, construct new low wall, repair south wall using existing loose bricks and lime mortar, reset two existing path stone slabs and replace one slab in same material.

Councillor Harris proposed the Council support the application, seconded by Councillor Watson and **resolved** unanimously.

Action: Clerk

- (ii) 25/00201/LBC - 31 High Street Willingham Cambridgeshire CB24 5ES – Demolition of existing front wall, break out footings, excavate footing other side of the path, construct new low wall, repair south wall using existing loose bricks and lime mortar, reset two existing path stone slabs and replace one slab in same material.

Councillor Harris proposed the Council support the application, seconded by Councillor Watson and **resolved** unanimously.

- (iii) 25/00398/OUT – Land lying to the South of Millfield Willingham Cambridgeshire CB24 5HD – Outline application for the development of 1 No Custom Build/Self Build Dwelling with some matters reserved except for access, layout and scale.

Councillor Watson proposed the Council recommend refusal of the application and re-iterate the comments they have made previously being:-

1. The application is outside of the extent of the existing building.
2. The proposed application is back land development which also falls outside of the village envelope.
3. The Council were also aware that the site was likely to flood.

The Council notes that the previously approved application (23/03577/PRIOR) of a schedule Q building is no longer valid as the building is no longer there. The Council would also draw attention to correspondence from Mr Scrivener, commenting there is currently no building on the site.

The Council further noted this application is identical to the previous application (23/04766/FUL) which was refused permission.

If the officers is minded to approve this application, the Council would like the application to go to Committee.

The proposal was seconded by Councillor Law and **resolved** unanimously.

Action: Clerk

7. Correspondence

- (i) To receive correspondence from Cambridgeshire County Council of the proposed 2025 revision of the Local Vandalism List for planning applications

Councillor Hutchcraft proposed the Council respond to the correspondence, particularly in relation section 7(A), surface water drainage strategy. The Committee felt the language used could be stronger to remove the ability of differing interpretations.

Councillor Hutchcraft will provide his annotations to the office, to be sent as a reply.

Action: Councillor Hutchcraft

- (ii) To receive and consider the proposal from Councillor Harris regarding the Parish Council's request for applications to be submitted to the Planning Committee

Councillor Harris proposed the applications received by the Council which fell outside of the village envelope and/or were back land development, should always have the wording "If the Officer is minded to approve this application, the Council would like the application to go to Committee" added to the responses. This was seconded by Councillor Todd and **resolved** unanimously.

Action: Clerk

- (iii) To receive and consider the correspondence received from James Fisher at Greater Cambridge Planning regarding Section 106 monies

Councillor Harris proposed the Council requests any Section 106 monies received be allocated to:-

1. Improvement, extension or creation of Parish Council buildings
2. Improving access to community play/sports space

This was seconded by Councillor Hutchcraft and **resolved** unanimously.

Action: Clerk

- (iv) Any other correspondence

Correspondence had been received and circulated from South Cambridgeshire District Council regarding the five year housing land supply update. The correspondence was noted by the Committee.

8. Items for future meetings

- 25/00407/FUL – Land South of Bridge Farm Earith Road Willingham Cambridgeshire – Change of use to equestrian and erection of two yards and the creation of a new access – Mr Joseph Brown
- Neighbourhood Plan

9. To decide date of next meeting

To be decided.

Meeting Closed at 20.05.