



NAPTON ON THE HILL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes Monday 6th November 2017

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- 1. Apologies for Absence:** noted from Cllr Woodcock and Cllr Williams
- 2. Declaration of Personal or Disclosable Pecuniary Interests:** taken by item
- 3. Minutes of meetings of 2nd October:** agreed and signed as a true record
- 4. Comments and Questions from the Public:**
 - A parishioner who lives close to the Arc School raised concern about what will happen to the existing storage container if the current planning application is supported. He also expressed concern about the fumes generated by waiting taxis but was keen to point out that he supports the school in principle.
 - Jim Sleight has registered himself as CSW broad band champion. It was agreed that there should be one point of contact and that the Clerk should liaise to JS and Cllr Alsop to avoid any confusion.
 - A question was raised about progress on the telecoms mast at Pastures Farm. The meeting was told that there are contractual issues which are slowing the process down.
 - Pete Gladwin drew the Council's attention to some issues regarding the sewerage and drainage proposals contained in planning application 17/01077/REM. It was agreed he would draft a letter for NPC to send to SDC and the Environment Agency.
 - There was a question re progress on the under grounding of electricity cables along School Hill. The Clerk was asked to get an update.
- 5. Reports from District and County Councillors:**
 - Written report from Cllr Williams attached.
 - Cllr Crump reported on the following issues: -
 - i. The £1m windfall referred to by Cllr Williams will also be used to tackle homelessness
 - ii. The Children's Centre in Southam will shortly be meeting to decide how to make the required budget savings
 - iii. NPC's application for funds towards improvements to the footpath on Church Lane was received too late and was too small to be considered (min project size £6k). It was suggested that NPC apply in the new financial year with a more comprehensive scheme which meets the criteria.

- iv. AC, in conjunction with representatives from St Lawrence have been successful in securing funding from the “Safer Routes to School” scheme.

6. Planning matters:

Application reference: 17/02912/FUL

Proposed : Provision of additional permanent external accommodation to provide two rooms for one to one learning space for the school's pupils.

At : The Old School, Vicarage Road, Napton, CV47 8NA.

For : Mr Chris Kennedy Kedleston Group

It was **resolved** that the application be rejected on the basis that there is no current, effective, traffic management scheme for parking and the transportation of pupils. It was noted that the plans submitted with the application are incorrect and do not show all of the buildings currently on site. It was also pointed out that if the application were supported by SDC a construction management plan would be needed.

Despite rejecting the application, the Parish Council wished the minutes to reflect that it supports the School, in principle.

Application reference: 17/03092/VARY

Proposed : Variation of condition 2 of planning permission 17/01444/FUL (Erection of one dwelling) to amend the proposed location of the dwelling and the proposed design details of the dwelling

At : Land Adjacent To Field House, Daventry Road, Southam, CV47 1NN

For : Mrs S Frogley

It was **resolved** to support the application as there is very little difference between this revision and the previous application which the Council supported.

Application reference: 17/02540/FUL

Proposed : Gabled extension and 3No. dormer windows to the principle facade, wrap around balcony and box dormer to the rear facade. General update to appearance and render to all elevations.

At : High Meadows, Hillside, Napton-On-The-Hill, CV47 8NH

For : Mr & Mrs Diggins

It was **resolved** to support this application as it improves the appearance of the existing building

Application reference: 17/02919/FUL

Proposed : Proposed replacement porch to front elevation of Hill House.

At : Hill House, Vicarage Road, Napton-On-The-Hill, CV47 8NA

For : Mr & Mrs M. Cooper

It was **resolved** to support this application as the proposed porch is more sympathetic to the adjacent listed properties.

Application reference: 17/03043/FUL

Proposed : Erection of a permanent rural workers dwelling

At : Dog Lane Fisheries, Priors Marston Road, Napton-On-The-Hill, CV47 8LT

For : Mr Joshua Whitehead

It was resolved to support this application as it will support a rural enterprise which makes a positive contribution to the economy of the village. The Council however wished to re-enforce the fact that an agricultural tie must be attached to the dwelling.

The Parish Council will also request soft landscaping to minimise the visual impact on the surrounding area and to ensure there is no negative impact on views out from the village across the open countryside.

7. Finance issues:

- The payments listed in appendix 1 were approved
- The Chair reported that the Council has been preparing a draft budget which will be considered at the December meeting. She asked that anyone with ideas about projects the Council should undertake or about spending priorities, in general, should contact the Clerk before the next meeting on 4th Dec.

8. Correspondence:

- It was reported that Sean Featherstone had resigned as a Councillor. The Clerk has notified the Returning Officer at SDC and will be told on 13th Nov whether a bye election is required. If not, then the vacancy can be filled by co-option. The Chair confirmed that an advert will be placed in the next Parish magazine, applications will be sought, and interviews will take place over the Christmas period. It was hoped that the appointment of a replacement could be confirmed in early Jan 18.
- The Clerk reported that Mr & Mrs Rock had written to the Council about a strip of land between their garden and the school playing field which has been incorrectly recorded on the land registry maps. The matter was discussed in 2012 and at that time the Council had no objection and supported Mr & Mrs Rock in their endeavours to get the records amended. The Council agreed that it's position had not changed and that no action was therefore necessary.
- There was a general discussion about the Arc School and the problems including inconsiderate parking, taxis leaving their engines running whilst waiting to collect pupils and objects being thrown into neighbouring gardens. Residents are meeting with the school on 6th

Dec. The Clerk was asked to try and arrange a separate meeting with NPC before then.

9. Highways issues:

- Parking issues.
 - i. Pillory Green- the Clerk explained that she had received complaints about parking on easements. It was explained that it is the responsibility of the owner of the easement to deal with such matters.
 - ii. Vicarage Road – these complaints relate to parking by Arc School staff. Photos of the problem will be attached to NPC’s response to the current planning application
 - iii. Folly Corner – there have been complaints about parking on the footpath opposite Napton Cidery. There are also concerns about delivery lorries parking on the opposite side of the road to the farm and using a fork lift truck to unload goods. This is a potential health and safety issue as well as being inconvenient as the lorries make it difficult for people to pass. The Clerk was instructed to write to the owners and ask why lorries and visitors cannot park in the farm yard.
- General update: Cllr Clarke has recently updated the list of outstanding jobs. These are to be forwarded to Cllr Crump and a site visit arranged to view those outstanding.

10. Neighbourhood Development Plan:

- The Clerk reported that the NDP group had secured a grant towards the cost of engaging a planning consultant. Bob Keith (MRTPI) has been appointed and is supporting the group. The next step is a housing needs survey.

11. Councillor’s items:

- Cllr Alsop shared a final draft of the proposed license between NPC and Napton Sports Association. It was **resolved** to accept the license in its current form. It was noted that NSA will be discussing it on 5th Dec when it is anticipated it will be accepted by their committee.
- Cllr Woodcock, although not present, had asked the Clerk to raise the issue of overhanging brambles on the main road opposite the Blue House and around the grit bin on Butt Hill. The Clerk was asked to liaise with Michael Mann
- The issue of the windows on the first floor of the Crown were raised and it was confirmed that they do not comply with the original planning permission. The Clerk was asked to contact SDC enforcement team.

12. Dates of future meetings:

- Because of the Bank Holidays next year, it was agreed to hold the May meeting on Tuesday 1st May 2018.

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