

MILBORNE PORT PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 21st November 2017 at 6.45pm at the Town Hall

Present: Mr M Ritchie (Chair), Mr J Oldham, Mr T Campbell, Mr J Edmonds, Mrs A Flynn and Mr R Douglas

Also Present: Emma Curtis – Parish Clerk

Public Question Time

There were twenty-one members of the public present.

A gentleman spoke on behalf of a working group which has been formed following the public meeting on 1st November. The gentleman read a statement on behalf of the group which detailed statistics from the Parish Plan survey, their objections, comments on material considerations and concluding that the working group did not want any further housing developments in Milborne Port. It was requested that the Parish Council consider the statement and document produced by the working group prior to submitting their final response to the two major planning applications. The gentleman also commented that the working group and others are disturbed that the Chairman of the Parish Council refuses to acknowledge the overwhelming opposition to the two planning applications. The gentleman requested that the statement document be placed on record.

Another man commented that the Wheathill Lane development was not a sustainable plan or development, failed on planning mitigation and ignored mature TPO trees and had no sustainable transport component. He commented he believed it failed against SSDC Local Plan criteria.

A lady mentioned that the Parish Council notification of planning application for retrospective planning of a wooden shelter over a bench along the high street was a bone of contention. She stated the shelter blocked out the light of an adjacent studio owned by a sculptress who has spent a fortune on other premises to undertake her work. She commented she felt it was time the shelter was moved and that resolution of the bird guano on the seat be by relocating the seat to where it had previously been (to the east of current position).

To conclude, another lady asked why it has taken so long to resolve the shelter issue. Mr Ritchie responded that he had no comments other than the lady had been involved in discussion. The lady stated that this was incorrect and that she believed there had been a lot of closed Parish Council meetings. The lady also wanted to know why a Neighbourhood Plan hadn't been prepared two years ago as it would have provided legal clout for the village. Mr Ritchie commented that the Council could not re-write history. The lady requested her views be acknowledged.

- 1. Apologies for Absence:** Received from Mr C Laughton and Mr R Tizzard. Reasons for absence accepted.
- 2. Declarations of Interest:** Received from Mrs A Flynn, application no: 17/03964/OUT
- 3. Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 17th October** were approved and signed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

4. The following **Planning Applications** were considered:

17/03985/OUT Outline planning application for a mixed-use development comprising the erection of up to 65 dwellings and convenience store (Class A1) on land at Station Road with access and associated works
Land OS 7800 Wheathill Lane

17/03964/OUT Outline application for residential development for up to 56 dwellings including access
Land OS 0059 Station Road

These two contentious planning applications were considered together in detail by the Committee. It was acknowledged that the village working party had submitted a document which would be considered. Mr Douglas summarised a draft response to the applications which had been circulated to the Committee and Full Council prior to the meeting. Members had provided opinions and comments to be considered for the final response and additional comments had been noted.

Mr Campbell believed the draft document was fit for purpose. Mr Douglas stated that a lot of thought and consideration had been put into the document. Mr Edmonds commented that the proposed shop on the Wheathill Lane development would not be big enough for the village and not what is require. He commented that a bigger shop with good parking facilities would enhance Milborne Port.

Mr Oldham suggested the working group may wish to submit their document to SSDC separately at which point a lady interrupted that the document should be read prior to submission of the Parish Council response. Mr Oldham commented that there were some factual errors in the working party document and Mr Douglas stated some parts of working party document were not suitable for the Parish Council to state but were proper for the working group to submit.

Mr Ritchie reiterated the Parish Council does not make the decision, it just passes comment. He stated that it had to be accepted the government are promoting house building across the country.

To conclude, Mr Oldham proposed that Mr Douglas and Mr Campbell finalise the document, considering what elements of the working group document could be incorporated. This was agreed by all. It was therefore resolved that Mr Douglas and Mr Campbell would prepare the final response which would be circulated for final approval.

17/04382/FUL Carrying out internal and external alterations to include refurbishment of the old stables, old butlers accommodation, scullery and garage and the erection of an extension to form media/games room
Ven House, London Road
No Objection

17/04263/S73 Application to vary condition 2 (approved plans) of planning permission 17/01517/FUL to allow external alterations to include alterations to the fenestration on the west elevation, enlargement of a balcony, and alterations to the South porch.

Detached Workshop At Swatchford Cottage, Lower Kingsbury

No Objection

17/04160/FUL Extension to an existing front porch

41 The Meads

No Objection

5. The following **Advice of Appeal Receipt** was noted:

Appeal in respect of application decision reference: 17/00570/OUT

Planning Inspectorate appeal reference: APP/R3325/W/17/3181937

Appeal starting date: 8th November 2017

Appeal By: Mrs R Gibbs **Appeal Type:** Written representation

Outline application for the erection of 1 No. single storey dwelling and garage

112 Combe Hill

6. The following Parish Council submission of a **Planning Application** was noted:

17/04166/FUL The erection of a wooden shelter over existing bench (Retrospective application)

Land next to Telephone Box, High Street, Milborne Port

7. The date of the next Planning Committee Meeting was confirmed as **Tuesday 19th December 2017.**