

MINUTES of the Planning Committee meeting held on Monday 9 March 2015 at 7.30 p.m. at The Old School Centre. The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Open Forum (for items not included on the agenda):

A parishioner has contacted the Chairman to advise that a large grass verge under the A38 at Stidston has been cleared, DCC Highways and DNPA will be contacted.

PL 1-3-15 Record of members present

Cllr Glyn Richards - Chairman, Cllrs Mark Copleston, Mandy Haley, Peter Kelly, John Summers, Greg Wall and Donald Wiseman and Julia Willoughby the Clerk to the Council were present.

PL 2-3-15 Apologies for absence

Cllr Richard Fone has sent his apologies.

PL 3-3-15 Declarations of interest (and nature) with regard to items on the agenda

None until the Community Champion Awards are considered.

PL 4-3-15 Consider the granting of dispensations

No applications.

PL 5-3-15 Public participation session with respect to items on the agenda

None.

PL 6-3-15 Confirmation of the minutes of the meeting held on 9 February and report any matters arising - for information only

Cllr John Summers had sent his apologies for the last meeting, with this addition the minutes were confirmed and signed.

PL 7-3-15 Decisions

0673/14 Erection of garage and new vehicle access, 28 Higher Green, South Brent; application granted.

0721/14 Construction of retaining wall at Freshwaters, Hillside, South Brent; application granted.

0008/15 Change of use of ground and first floor rooms for mixed use (A1, B1 and D1) to A1 retail use, 15 Station Road, South Brent; application granted.

Tree Preservation Order: the draft Order for Fairfield, South Brent was been confirmed without modification on 11.2.15.

PL 8-3-15 Applications:

0069/15 Erection of garden shed to side of house at 12 Higher Green, South Brent; the Parish Council has no objection to this application.

0078/15 Two storey extension at 30 Higher Green, South Brent; the Parish Council recommends refusal of this application due to the loss of off-street parking in a cul-de-sac heavily congested by parked vehicles (particularly out of working hours).

0081/15 Extension to existing industrial unit to provide more office space and additional facilities at PD Devices, Station Yard, South Brent; the Parish Council recommends refusal of this application. The proposal is inappropriate for the South Brent Conservation Area and detrimental to the setting of Grade I and II Listed Buildings. The scale of the buildings, their bulking, massing and materials proposed are not in

keeping with the setting of historic buildings in the conservation area and is contrary to Planning Policy Statement 2. If minded to approve this application South Brent Parish Council would insist on a site inspection.

45/0149/15 Demolition of existing single storey dwelling and replace with two storey dwelling, Greenpark, Diptford, Totnes; (further plans have been provided) the Parish Council has no objection to this application.

PL 9-3-15 Amended applications

None.

PL 10-3-15 Report:

Future Homes Conference:

District Cllr Peter Smerdon attended on one of the days and has sent on a comprehensive report; this was noted.

PL 11-3-15 Correspondence – including

- 0017/15 application for the former PFS/HGV Training Centre, Marley Head, South Brent; a letter to Sustainable South Brent from DNPA states that DNPA is the Waste Planning Authority for the Dartmoor National Park. Network Rail have been consulted regarding this application and have visited the site.
- DNPA Parish Council workshop 11 March 2015; the Chairman is no longer able to attend, Cllr Greg Wall will attend for this Council.
- Part of a hedgerow has been removed; as it was not included in a planning consent to be maintained, no action can be taken.
- DNPA has been in contact with the owner of property where an old access has not been closed.
- A site meeting will take place next week off Exeter Road.
- A horse transporter will be checked in case it is being used for other purposes.
- DNP SHLAA (Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment) – consultation on sites brought forward will go ahead.

PL 12-3-15 Any matters to be brought to the attention of the planning authority

A field where a series of 4 or 5 huts along the hedge bank are clearly visible from the lane.

DCC Highways will be notified of the use of a grass verge to store pallets and hay.

PL 13-3-15 Items for the next agenda

None.

PL 14-3-15 Consider the nominations for the Community Champion Award and Young Community Champion Award (2014) to be presented on 16 March

Community Champion Award nominations:

- Martin Duckworth – Compost centre, SSB;
- Peter Hopwood – Village Hall, Scouts etc.
- Cathie Pannell - Village Hall etc.
- Pauline Richards – Produce Association.
- Jane Wellens – Breakfast cafes etc.

*Cllr Glyn Richards declared an interest in this matter as his wife has been nominated. Cllr Mark Copleston employs one of the nominees; both Councillors left the room.*

A ballot took place. The Community Champion Award 2015 will go to Cathie Pannell.

Young Community Champion Award nominations:

Josh Antonio – SBADS

Sophie Williams – Brownies

A ballot took place. The Young Community Champion Award 2015 will go to Sophie Williams.

The meeting closed at 8.45 pm.

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