

MINUTES of the Planning Committee meeting held on Monday 6 February 2017 at 7.30 p.m. at The Old School Centre.

Open Forum (for items not included on the agenda): None.

PL 1-2-17 Record of members present

Cllr Sue Gaskin - Chairman, Cllrs Richard Fone, Mandy Haley, Peter Kelly, George Link, Glyn Richards, Heidi Rodriguez, Greg Wall; one member of the public and Julia Willoughby the Clerk to the Council were present.

PL 2-2-17 Apologies for absence

None.

PL 3-2-17 Declarations of interest (and nature) with regard to items on the agenda

None.

PL 4-2-17 Consider the granting of dispensations

No applications.

PL 5-2-17 Public participation session with respect to items on the agenda

Nothing was raised.

The Committee agreed the following application would be brought forward:

0014/17 Development of business park comprising of industrial and office units with respite building at Former HGV training centre, Marley Head, South Brent; the Parish Council welcomes the development of this site, however recommends refusal of this application. This proposal is an overdevelopment of the site, there are no HGV facilities, no toilets in the units and no disabled facilities at all.

PL 6-2-17 Confirmation of the minutes of the meeting held on 9 January 2017 and report any matters arising - for information only

The minutes were confirmed and signed.

PL 7-2-17 Decisions

0640/16 Construction of sand school (20m x 30m) at land to south west of 2 Lutton Cottages, Lutton, South Brent; application granted.

0644/16 Replace existing woodshed with larger shed at Well Oak, Splatton, South Brent; application granted.

0001/17 (Prior notification) Erection of barn at The Hillyfield, Harbourneford; South Brent; this application required a comment within 14 days and could not be included on an agenda. DNPA has decided that a planning application would be required.

Tree Preservation Orders:

16/0063 consent has been granted to fell a redwood at St Petroc's Church;

16/0064 consent has been granted to pollard a beech adjacent to Millswood Lane, The Island, South Brent;

16/0065 consent has been granted to fell an ash at The Island, South Brent;

16/0069 consent has been granted to fell a maritime pine at Greenfield, Corn Park, South Brent.

PL 8-2-17 Applications:

0002/17 Refurbishment of existing dwelling to provide additional living space, including demolition of outbuildings and construction of new, detached garage block at Marle Lodge, Stidston, South Brent; the Parish Council recommends refusal of this application as it is contrary to the DNPA and South Brent design guides.

0014/17 Development of business park comprising of industrial and office units with respite building at Former HGV training centre, Marley Head, South Brent; (see minute PL 5-2-17 above).

0016/17 Re-submission of approved application 0227/16 showing reduced new classroom and covered play areas with new WC facilities as previous application at Little Orchard, Exeter Road, South Brent; the Parish Council has no objection to this application.

0038/17 Replacement dwelling and garage at Noland Lodge, Noland Park, South Brent; the Parish Council has no objection to this application.

0040/17 Construction of hardstanding at The Hillyfield, Harbourneford, South Brent; the Parish Council has no objection to this application.

PL 9-2-17 Amended applications

0166/15 (Cllr Peter Kelly declared a personal interest in this application and took no part in discussions or voting) Replace existing ground floor side extension, build first floor extension over converted garage and create single storey rear extension at 12 Heather Park, South Brent; the Parish Council has no objection to this amended application.

PL 10-2-17 Tree Preservation Order:

17/0011 Works requested to six Lawson cypress trees at 19 Clobells, South Brent; fell three and reduce height of three others to 10 m. The Parish Council has no objection to the application on condition a suitable replacement tree/s is planted, in consultation between the applicant and the Dartmoor National Park Authority Trees Officer.

PL 11-2-17 Correspondence

Mr S Belli has advised that he is to resign from his post as DNPA Head of Planning; the Parish Council will thank Mr Belli very much for taking the time to come to South Brent to deliver training and discuss planning applications with members of our Planning Committee and send him good wishes for the future.

PL 12-2-17 Matters to be brought to the attention of the planning authority

None.

PC 13-2-17 Consider the appointment of a new internal auditor for the Parish Council

The clerk advised the independent internal auditor is very unwell and will be unable to continue with this work. Having made enquiries, IAC (Internal Audit Consultancy) has quoted £285 +VAT for future audit services. The clerk has contacted Dartmouth Town Council and the clerk described IAC as "excellent and very helpful".

(The clerk met with another possible candidate for this service but he had very little experience of the local council sector at all.)

Cllr Peter Kelly proposed the Council accepts IAC as the internal auditor, seconded by Cllr Heidi Rodriguez and resolved.

PL 14-2-17 Items for the next agenda None. The meeting closed at 8.40 pm.