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Approved minutes of Planning Meeting held at the above address on Wednesday 25th January 2017 commencing 7.00 p.m.

Present Councillors: K Garland, (Chair), T Bishop, P Brember, J Cowley, D Hine, R Knapp, B Newton & J Wardell.

T Watson (Clerk)

Absent Councillors: B Penfold

In attendance

There were 3 members of the public in attendance.

1. To receive apologies.

Apologies had been received in advance of the meeting from C Moore & G Carr-Jones.

2. Declarations of interest.

None.

3. To approve the minutes of the meeting - held on 11th January 2017.

RESOLVED: It was proposed and agreed to approve the minutes of the meeting. The minutes were signed by the Chairman.

4. To consider the following planning applications.

- a) 2/2016/1812/FUL & 2/2016/1813/LBC - Erect first floor extension to the old forge building and convert into 1 No. dwelling. Modify vehicular access by the removal of existing gate and stone piers, and the erection of a refuse enclosure. Carry out alterations to existing garage. Erect fence and gate - Old Forge Cottage, Barrow Hill, Stalbridge, DT10 2QX (Mr D Stubbings).

Letters in objection to the application from Mrs Winter & The Royal British Legion were noted. A site visit had been carried out and there were several concerns including the proximity to a licensed premises, the adequacy of the parking and highways safety issues regarding the access which is opposite an existing access and direct onto Barrow Hill with limited visibility to the west, due to the location on the forge building. The applicant answered members' questions and the proposed amenity space and velux windows in the garage on the south side were noted. In general members felt that the application represented overdevelopment of the site and questioned how the shared parking with the adjacent cottage may work in the long term future.

RESOLVED: Proposed and agreed not to support the application on the grounds of overdevelopment on the site, highways safety in relation to the access onto Barrow Hill and the proximity to a licensed premises. Should the Officer be mindful to make a recommendation contrary to this, members request that the application goes before the Development Management Committee.

Vote 7 for/ 1 against / 2 abstentions

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- b) **2/2017/0106/CATREE** T1 - Ash - Remove branch overhanging our garden to enable more light, reduce by 3m to boundary line. T2 - Sycamore - Remove branches overhanging our garden to enable more light, reduce lower branch by 2m and upper branch by 4m to boundary line. Stapleford House, 8 Gold Street, Stalbridge, Dorset, DT10 2LX. Mr & Mrs Horan.

A site visit had not been carried out and it was noted that the application was for work to trees in the adjacent garden.

RESOLVED: Proposed and unanimously agreed to take the tree officer's recommendation on the application.

5. Recent decisions of NDDC Development Management Committee.

2/2016/1680/HOUSE – Erect first floor side extension and single storey rear extension (demolish conservatory) – 30 Jarvis Way, Stalbridge, DT10 2NR (Mr M Bartlett) **Permission Granted**

6. Appeals and matters of report from previous applications.

A response has been received from the Senior Planning Enforcement Officer concerning the removal of the hedge at 2 Wessex Road as follows: - *Whilst there is a box on the application form regarding the removal of hedges, if the hedge does not require permission to be removed it does become superfluous. There are permitted development rights which would permit the erection of a wall up to 1 metre high adjacent the pavement or if the wall is set back up to 2 metres high.* The Clerk was instructed to reply and advise that a wall over 1 metre adjacent to the pavement appears to be in construction.

7. Planning matters of report.

J Wardell queried a response from W Batty-Smith regarding the permitted use of the units at Spire Hill. It was agreed to request a formal response.

8. Date of the next meeting – The next Planning meeting will be held on 8th February 2017. All items for inclusion on the agenda must be received by the Clerk by 9.00am on Tuesday 31st January 2017

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.30 p.m.

Date: 8th February 2017

Signed