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Draft minutes of Planning Meeting held at the above address on Wednesday 17th September commencing 7.00 p.m.

Present Councillors. K Garland (Chair), J Cowley, T Bishop & J Wardell.

T Watson (Clerk)

Absent Councillors: K Knapp & J Smith

In attendance

There were no members of the public in attendance.

1. To receive apologies.

Apologies had been received in advance of the meeting from P Ashcroft, C Moore and D Hine. Also from G Carr-Jones & W Batty-Smith, who were attending a Tri-Council partnership meeting on behalf of NDDC.

2. Declarations of interest.

J Wardell declared a personal interest in item 4 a. as the property is opposite her residence. She advised that whilst she would speak to give information she would not take part in the vote.

3. To approve the minutes of the meetings - held on 20th August 2014.

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. 2/2014/0940/VARIA . Variation to condition No. 6 from planning permission 2/1991/0129 to allow deliveries and post direct to front door instead of across the front gardens of adjoining properties or from the rear. 1 West End Mews Thornhill Road Stalbridge Dorset DT10 2NQ. Mr R Jones

An informal site visit had been carried out. The DC Highways comment that the access should remain as pedestrian was noted. Concerns were expressed that if a vehicle parks outside the proposed gate, the sight line to the garage will be obstructed and vehicles leaving the access track to the rear of Westminster Cottages may also be impeded.

J Wardell left the meeting

In the absence of a quorum no vote was taken and members agreed to send a record of comments to NDDC in lieu of this.

J Wardell returned to the meeting

- b. 2/2014/0578/LBC Convert existing Pool House to self-contained annexe, erect covered walkway and 3 No. rooflights. Install solar panels to 2 No. outbuildings, erect wood store, Biomass boiler and carry out associated internal and external alterations. Thornhill Lodge Access Road To Home Farm and Thornhill House and Cottages, Stalbridge, Dorset DT10 2SH. Mr D Robson.

The Planning Advisory Group had attended a site visit. The reasons for the application was noted and members recalled that the property was listed in conjunction with the boundary wall. The potential increase in traffic movements from the access road was not felt to be significant in relation to the number and size of the other properties using the route.

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RESOLVED: It was proposed and agreed unanimously agreed to make no objection to the application.

- c. Application for works to protected trees. Beech, reduce all over by up to 2.5m to provide a more compact crown. Crown lift to 3m & crown prune to highways specification over road. Conduct a crown clean. 5 Park Grove, Stalbridge, Dorset DT10 2RA. Mr D Vanstone.

An informal site visit had been carried out.

RESOLVED: It was proposed and agreed unanimously to make no objection to the application.

5. Recent decisions of NDDC Development Management Committee.

2/2014/0792/HOUSE Erect 1 no. two-storey side extensions & 1 No. detached carports for each cottage. Cottonmead Cottages, Cottonmead Cottage to Cooks Lane – Track, Stalbridge , Dorset. Permission granted

2/2014/0729/HOUSE Erect 1 No. single storey extension. Garden Cottage, Stalbridge Weston Village road, Stalbridge Weston, Dorset DT10 2LA. Permission granted

2/2014/0694/FUL Erect 1 No. replacement dwelling (to rebuild dwelling damaged by fire, extensions approved under P/P 2/2012/1433 and additional front extension). 30 Vale Road Stalbridge Dorset DT10 2NS. Mr M Instone. Permission granted

2/2014/0688/HOUSE Erect 1 No. two storey extension, 1 No. single storey extension and form new vehicular and pedestrian access. Arrandale, Park Grove, Stalbridge, Dorset, DT10 2RA2. Mr J Loughlin. Permission granted

6. Appeals and matters of report from previous applications.

None.

7. Planning matters of report.

J Wardell had arrived at 6.30pm in conjunction with her offer to assist members to view plans on-line.

The Clerk advised that acknowledgement had been received from NDDC to the TC's enquiry concerning a track between Home Farm and Cooks Lane. The investigation officer aims to advise their findings within 21 days of the 12th September.

8. To respond to the 'Technical consultation on planning'

J Cowley had reviewed the document and expressed concerns at the lack of neighbour consultation in conjunction with permitted development rights.

RESOLVED: There was general agreement to respond with thanks for the consultation and to advise that whilst members have concerns at the lack of neighbour consultation in conjunction with permitted development rights, they do not feel qualified to make any further comment on this technical consultation.

9. **Date of the next meeting – The next Planning meeting will be held on 1st October 2014.** All items for inclusion on the agenda must be received by the Clerk by 9.00am on Tuesday 30th August 2014.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.42 pm