

STALBRIDGE TOWN COUNCIL

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Approved minutes of Planning Meeting held at the above address on Wednesday 20th November 2019 commencing 7.00 p.m.

Present Councillors: K Garland (Chair), D Andrews, M Dimmer, H Hatcher, R Lovell, B Newton, B Penfold, M Robinson, R Roden & S Waite

T Watson (Clerk)

In attendance

There were 10 members of the public in attendance.

Planning Open forum

Comments were received in relation to the Grass Roots Developments proposal to develop land to the south of Lower Road regarding the unsuitability of the proposed access point, the inadequate width of the A357, the safety of the junction from Lower Rd onto the A357 at the point of The Ring and the adequacy of the infrastructure to support all the new development which will spoil the small community feel of the town.

The meeting commenced at 7.15 pm

1. To receive apologies

In advance of the meeting from M Robinson

2. Declarations of interest

None.

3. To approve the minutes of the meeting - held on 6th November 2019

RESOLVED: The minutes of the meeting having previously been circulated to Councillors were approved and signed by the Chairman.

4. To consider the following planning applications

- a) **2/2019/1427/HOUSE** Erect freestanding fence 1.8m high to separate the gardens of the Old Smithy and the adjoining property 1 Barrow Hill. Also erect 2 wooden garden gates 1.8m x 0.9m one for each property. The gates will be at the garden ends to the West. (Retrospective). Old Smithy Barrow Hill Stalbridge DT10 2QT. Mr Boggett

Members were disappointed that the application was retrospective.

RESOLVED: Proposed and agreed to support the application

- b) **2/2019/1400/LBC** Install stud wall to create division to form 2 No bedrooms. Install 1 No. doorway in existing stud wall and carry out all internal alterations in association with this. Old Smithy Barrow Hill Stalbridge DT10 2QT. Mr Boggett

Some members felt that the proposed rooms were small and lacked capacity for storage.

RESOLVED: Proposed and agreed to support the application on the condition that the previous application 2/2019/0963/LBC is withdrawn.

5. Report on recommendations made by POSAG under delegated powers

None.

6. Recent planning decisions of Dorset Council

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None.

7. Appeals and matters of report from previous applications

None.

8. Correspondence relating to planning matters

09.11.19	D. J Ashford	Letter regarding fencing between the lower Rd development & the paddocks.	Content noted and reply approved
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9. To receive an invitation from Grass Roots Developments regarding on the proposed development of land to the south of Lower Road and resolve if the Town Council wish to engage at the pre application stage.

Members could see the pros and cons of engaging at the pre application stage. However if the proposal went forward to a full application with a developer any pre-application comments would have no weight and the exercise just served to say that the land agent had consulted with the community.

RESOLVED: Proposed and agreed not to engage.

10. Members planning matters of report

Enforcement enquiry reply – 1 Grove Lane . Planning permission is not required to remove a wall w which does not face the highway.

K Garland – Zero carbon objectives will effect major change on planning and construction in the future.

11. Date of the next meeting – If the Town Council is consulted on applications the next Planning meeting will be held on Wednesday 11th December 2019. All items for inclusion on the agenda from members must be received by the Clerk by 9.00am on Tuesday 3rd December 2019.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8pm

8th January 2020

Signed