FARNHAM ROYAL PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE FIRST MEETING OF FARNHAM ROYAL PARISH COUNCIL PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON FRIDAY 15 FEBRUARY 2019 AT 10.00 A.M. IN FARNHAM ROYAL PARISH COUNCIL OFFICE

Present

Mrs. Marilyn Rolfe (Chair) Mr. Paul Rowley Mr. Bob Milne Mrs. Judy Tipping

Mrs. Judith Hall – Clerk

The meeting opened at 10.00am.

19/1/PL Apologies for absence

None

19/2/PL To appoint a chair

It was unanimously agreed to appoint Mrs. Marilyn Rolfe as Chair of the committee.

19/3/PL To review the draft terms of reference

During a detailed discussion those present reviewed the draft terms of reference prepared by the Clerk and agreed amendments to better clarify the role, powers and responsibilities of the committee. It was agreed that the Clerk would amend the terms of reference in line with the discussion and circulate a copy to all councillors for consideration at the Parish Council meeting on 25 February 2019.

19/4/PL To consider current applications

4.1 PL/19/0308/PIP Land Between Chatterings and Merlins, Christmas Lane

Following a discussion regarding the application, in which concern was raised regarding this ancient woodland and in particular the tree work that had already been carried out, it was agreed that the Clerk would submit comments expressing concern regarding:

- a. the clearance of ancient woodland that had taken place to date to create the plot
- b. the serious effect building on the plot would have to access to the ancient woodland
- c. the detrimental effect on the maintenance of this ancient woodland
- d. the change to the street scene
- 4.2 PL/19/0139/FA Verdon Court & 19 Bishops Orchard

Following a discussion regarding the application in which it was suggested that the site would be overdeveloped, although this opinion was not held by all committee members, it was agreed that the Clerk would submit comments expressing concern regarding:

- a. the privacy and amenity of neighbours within the development
- b. insufficient parking provision
- 4.3 PL/19/0044/FA Wayside, 73 Blackpond Lane

During a discussion regarding the application, it was noted that this semi detached property had not yet been completed yet the developer was submitting another application to put a building in the back garden. It was agreed that the Clerk would submit comments expressing concern regarding:

- a. the proposed building is out of keeping with the large unoccupied back gardens in the area.
- b. the proposed building could become habitable due to the planned facilities

- c. the land upon which it is proposed to build may be green belt
- d. the proposed building should not be a second application rather an amendment to the original application.
- 4.4 PL/19/0043/FA Oaklands, 71 Blackpond Lane

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- a. the proposed building is out of keeping with the large unoccupied back gardens in the area.
- b. the proposed building could become habitable due to the planned facilities
- c. the land upon which it is proposed to build may be green belt
- d. the proposed building should not be a second application rather an amendment to the original application.
- 4.5 PL/19/0286/FA Red House, Old Beaconsfield Road

During a discussion regarding the application, it was noted that the proposed modern extension was out of keeping with the distinctive Dutch style of the property and street scene. It was agreed that the Clerk would submit a comment expressing that whilst the Parish Council was not against an extension in principle it objected to the current design.

4.6 PL/19/0061/FA Oak Timbers, Beaconsfield Road

During a discussion regarding the amendment to this application, it was agreed that whilst the driveway and access from the A355 had been moved the issues of overdevelopment, privacy and amenity for neighbours in Kennedy Close and Blackpond Lane remained the same. The committee decided that no additional comments were required.

4.7 PL/19/0254/VRC Cut Heath House, Parsonage Lane

During a discussion regarding the amendment to this application, it was noted that the planned property was to be situated behind a large house and that it would not be affordable despite assertions to the contrary. There remained concern regarding the privacy and amenity of neighbours and it was stated that it was not possible to comment on the amendment as it was unclear what this was.

4.8 PL/19/0319/OA Allerds Farm, Crown Lane

During a discussion regarding the application, it was noted that the site is situated on green belt and the barn is a listed property. Concern was expressed as the Parish Council is keen to preserve the green belt and listed buildings within the villages. In addition, no provisions were included for protecting the listed building and the site access would change from occasional to regular use. It was agreed that the Clerk would submit a comment expressing these concerns and advising that full comments could not be submitted as it was only an outline application and insufficient details were provided.

4.9 PL/19/0361/FA Cedarways, 100 Blackpond Lane

This application was allocated to Mrs. Rolfe and Mrs. Tipping for review ahead of the next committee meeting at which their comments will be considered.

4.10 PL/19/0442/VRC Samara Woods, 9 Foxhollow Drive

This application was allocated to Mr. Milne for review ahead of the next committee meeting at which his comments will be considered.

4.11 PL/19/0364/TP 1 The Pavilion, Rectory Close

This application was allocated to Mr. Milne for review ahead of the next committee meeting at which his comments will be considered.

4.12 PL/19/0456/FA Little Waltham, Collinswood Road

This application was allocated to Mr. Rolfe for review ahead of the next committee meeting at which his comments will be considered.

19/5/PL To consider current appeals

A discussion took place regarding appeal APP/N0410/C/18/3206905 (Graphic House, The Broadway) in relation to the car wash. A great deal of concern was expressed regarding the continued operation of this business on this site, in particular whether there was suitable provision for the removal of rubbish, the use of illegal signage, access, drainage, environmental health and the amenity of neighbours. Mrs. Rolfe volunteered to attend any appeal hearing in Bristol which committee members decided would be a good idea for both this and future appeals. Mrs. Tipping

agreed to attend with her.

19/6/PL Any Other Business (for information only)

6.1 It was noted that Mrs. Rolfe attended a course titled Demystifying Planning on 27 November 2018 which was organised by the Buckinghamshire and Milton Keynes Association of Local Councils and that Mr. Milne is booked onto the same course on 11 April 2019. It was confirmed that Mrs. Rolfe and Mrs. Tipping would be attending the training provided jointly by South Bucks District Council and Chiltern District Council on 12 March 2019.

6.2 It was agreed that if Mrs. Tipping experienced difficulty in accessing planning documents from the planning authority's online portal that she would attend the Parish Council office where the Clerk would provide assistance.

19/7/PL To agree next meeting

It was agreed that for the first three months the committee would meet fortnightly but that after this period the frequency of meetings would be reviewed. The following meeting dates were agreed:

Friday 1 March 2019 at 10.00am at the Parish Council Office

Friday 15 March 2019 at 10.00am at the Parish Council Office

The meeting closed at 12.35pm