

Monday 17th August 2020 - ZOOM Meeting commenced at 8pm

Present: J Miller (Chair), M Clements (Vice-Chair), W Ratcliffe, K Goudy, K Baker, K Hall-Price (Clerk), District Cllr K Welham, and 0 members of the public.

1. **Welcome & Apologies:** The Chairman welcomed everyone to the second extra Planning meeting over the using the Zoom forum. Cllr Harbidge and Cllr Reeve has sent apologies. Cllr Ebure is unwell and sends her apologies.

2. **Dispensations:**

- a) To consider any requests for dispensations – No new requests received.
- b) To note existing dispensations. The standing dispensation for Cllr Clements in respect of the proposed development land between Silver Street and Finningham Road and Cllr Reeve in respect of the proposed development of the Greenacres Site.

3. **To receive any declarations of personal/prejudicial interest.** Cllr Baker declared an interest on IvyDene owned by family members.

4. **Planning Applications received**

- **DC/20/02995** - Householder Planning Application - Erection of a single storey rear extension at White Cottage, Ward Green, Old Newton, Stowmarket Suffolk IP14 4EZ. Comments requested to MSDC by **17th August 2020**.

There have been no public comments received regarding this application and Cllrs felt that the proposed application doesn't impact on any neighbouring properties. The proposal is sympathetic and modern showing that it is detached from the original character of the house but makes it acceptable for modern day living. The plot is a substantial plot and can take the size of the extension. Proposed to accept by Cllr Goudy, seconded by Cllr Baker – All Cllrs in favour. Approved unanimously at Parish Council level.

- **DC/20/03161** - Householder Application - Erection of single storey extension at Ivydene Near Old Newton Hall, Sandford Road, Old Newton, Stowmarket Suffolk IP14 4PL. Comments requested to MSDC by **20th August 2020**.

This bungalow is in front of Old Newton Hall. The proposed extension is at the rear of the property repeating the existing ridge. The proposed extension will be unseen from the road or neighbours and sympathetic to the existing property. There have been no public comments received regarding this application and Cllrs could not see an issue with the proposal. Proposed to approve the application by Cllr Goudy and Seconded by Cllr Ratcliffe - All Clls in favour. Approved at Parish Council level.

There are an additional two applications received after the issue of this agenda that will be discussed as an agenda item at the September meeting.

- **DC/20/03238** - Planning Application - Erection of detached cartlodge for dwelling under construction at Buttermere House, Finningham Road, Old Newton, Stowmarket Suffolk IP14 4EU. Comments requested to MSDC by 2nd September 2020.
- **DC/20/03239** - Planning Application. Erection of new detached cartlodge for dwelling under construction at Plot 2, Grassmere House, Finningham Road, Old Newton Stowmarket Suffolk. Comments requested to MSDC by **2nd September 2020**.

5. **Planning Application Decisions –**

- **DC/20/00715 - Listed Building Consent** - Remove roof tiles, clean and relay over roofing membranes and roofing batten at Hill Farm, School Road, Old Newton, Stowmarket Suffolk IP14 4PJ. **MSDC Have granted Listed Building Consent.**
- **AGRICULTURAL DETERMINATION - DC/20/02940.** Application to determine if prior approval is required for a proposed: Erection, Extension or Alteration of a Building for Agricultural or Forestry use. The Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 (as amended) Schedule 2, Part 6 - Erection of open fronted building for undercover storage of hay, straw and machinery. Location: Dagworth Farm, Silver Street, Old Newton, Stowmarket Suffolk IP14 4HF. **MSDC have concluded that formal approval of the details of the proposed development is not required.**

- **DC/20/02462** - Householder Application - Erection of single storey side (roof extension) and rear extensions. Robine, Station Road, Old Newton, Stowmarket Suffolk IP14 4HQ. **MSDC have granted planning permission.**

6. Councillors matters to be brought to the attention of the Council.

- At the last meeting Cllrs were advised that the Parish Council would try to go to online verification of payments from the Bank. As the Clerk wasn't a signatory, the bank wouldn't allow the Clerk to raise the payment requests. The finance committee approved that the Clerk should be a signatory and this is now in the process of being set up but not yet complete.
- Following the installation of our very smart dog bins – the one by Stoneybridge has been damaged but not enough to warrant replacement. The mountings on the bridge have also been damaged and the top bolts have sheered with some sideways movements – This has been reported to SCC by the Clerk.
- 30mph sign on Brown Street has been knocked over and flattened to the ground near to Mayhews Farm. Reported to SCC by the Clerk.
- Cemetery committee to look at the memorial wall. Frost has got into the engraving and it does need some work – Agenda item for the September meeting. The War Memorial will be 100 years old. It was unveiled in September 1920. Suggested if possible to use a photo as the front cover of the October edition of the Crier. Clerk to speak to Adam – regarding the grass cutting by the bins area as this has not been addressed recently.
- Grass Cutting Tender to be looked at for the grass cutting moving forward for the areas of Ward Green, village hall and the playing fields. The area on Ward Green has still not been cut despite the fact that the contract started in March and even given Covid lockdown and subsequent restrictions to still be waiting in September is disgraceful. Clerk has complained and is yet still waiting for the grass to actually be cut.
- Cllr Ratcliffe reported that apparently 3 cats in Knights Close have been found dead – spurious reasons. This has been reported. Cllrs to be kept aware.
- Cllr Welham identified that as yet there have been no funding requests received from Old Newton for the Locality budget – Suggested that the Parish Council look at applying for quotes for the Cemetery memorial repairs and see if this could be a project to request funding towards.
- Cllr Ratcliffe gave his apologies in advance as he won't be attending the September meeting due to holiday commitments.

7. Public Forum - No public in attendance.

8. Additional Matters for inclusion on the agenda for the September meeting –

- Dog Signs Update on installation.
- Value of dog poo dispensers – Stowupland PC have 2 – Costs etc to be investigated by the clerk.
- Finance Committee Meeting Report / Recommendations to the Parish Council
- Standing Orders / Finance Regs review
- Cemetery Review / Memorial Wall repairs / cleaning.

9. Date of the next meeting – Wednesday 2nd September 2020 – 8pm. Chairman thanked everyone for attending this evenings meeting.

Meeting ended at 20.46hrs