

Minutes of the Planning Committee of Aston Clinton Parish Council, held on  
25<sup>th</sup> Nov 2015 at 18.00  
at Aston Clinton Parish Meeting Room

Present:

Councillors: -

C Read (Chairman)

T Comerford

P Wyatt - *Left the meeting at 19.20*

J Eggesfield

L Ronson

T Winterbottom (co-opted) - *Joined the meeting at item 15.38 Neighbourhood plan*

Clerk: Assistant Clerk, Elaine Barry

no members of the public

15.41 Apologies:

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Tubb and Mr Watson.

15.42 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest

15.43 Minutes of previous meeting

These were proposed by Cllr Comerford and seconded by Cllr Wyatt and agreed.

15.44 Public Participation.

None

15.45 Matters Arising

- i. The noise from the by-pass. Cllr Read informed the committee that the original surface was a specialist surface to suppress noise but this was not used when the road was re-surfaced hence the increase in noise coming from by-pass traffic. The committee discussed the Buckland and Drayton Beauchamp legal challenge against BCC and what steps if any ACPC should take. **ACTION:** It was agreed that Cllr Read would send an email asking how they were getting on, whether ACPC could be of any assistance and what the next stages in the proceedings were.
- ii. Cllr Eggesfield was voted onto the committee as a new member. It was proposed, seconded and agreed that Cllr Ronson should be asked to join the committee and this would be voted on at the next meeting.

15.46 Review of and recommendation of current planning applications: Small Scale

The AVDC planning portal was discussed and the fact that there had been some issues accessing the AVDC planning portal since AVDC had made changes to it. Also, Cllr Read was no longer able to submit comments through the usual means. Both Cllr Read and the assistant clerk had been in contact with AVDC on several occasions regarding the consultee comments access but so far the problem had not been resolved. **ACTION:** Cllr Read will email the assistant clerk with his log in details.

**ACTION:** The assistant clerk will email Cllr Eggesfield with details on how to access the AVDC portal and run searches on applications.

Cllr Comerford sought clarification on the process the committee members should be following regarding planning applications. Cllr Read clarified that the assistant clerk forwards applications onto the committee as they come in, the committee should look at each application for discussion. Mr Watson visits the sites for the small applications and reports back to the committee. If the committee have no comments the assumption is made that they have no objection.

- i. 15/03387/APP Chivery House – (detached double garage) **No objection**
- ii. 15/03584/APP Seven Acre Farm – (extension to industrial unit) **No objection**
- iii. 15/03528/APP 6 Putnams Drive – (two storey side extension) Comments to be logged on AVDC planning portal as **no objection “in principal”**
- iv. 15/03251/APP 120 London Rd – (single storey extension) **Approve**
- v. 15/03338/APP 19 Lower Icknield way – (two storey rear extension) **No objection**
- vi. 15/03676/APP 23 Long Plough – (extension to side and front) **No objection**
- vii. Other

Cllr Eggesfield, as a new member to the committee, asked what the role of Mr Watson was and Cllr Read explained that he visits the properties for small scale applications, speaks to the neighbours and reports back to the committee.

#### 15.47 Review and recommendations of planning applications: Large Scale

- i. 15/03052/ADP Brook Farm – (4 dwellings, approval of reserved matters pursuant to outline permission 14/02931/AOP) was discussed. The committee had objected to this development although the development had subsequently been approved. **ACTION:** It was deemed important to study the reserved matters in more detail and **Cllr Read asked the committee to report back via email any comments/observations by 2<sup>nd</sup> December at the latest.** Cllr Wyatt pointed out that the trees had been cut extremely low and it was agreed that there was a need to look closely at the landscape plan and if the developers had fallen foul of the agreed plan, the committee would expect them to be replaced with mature trees.
- ii. 15/03581/APP Kingspan Klargester College Rd – (15 metre wind turbine) **ACTION: comments from committee to be circulated by 26<sup>th</sup> November**
- iii. 15/03661/APP Land adjacent to Chimneys Aylesbury Rd – (1 dwelling plus access) was discussed and in particular the size and style of the planned dwelling. **ACTION: comments from the committee to be circulated before 29<sup>th</sup> November.**
- iv. 15/03627/AOP Park Farm – (outline application, up to 36 dwellings) was discussed and the committee commented on the fact that Laxton’s deliver a good product, they are a local firm and the current site is deemed to be an eyesore. The committee would support the application with a rider that AVDC would be allowing more houses with no room for education. The proposal to fund a pelican crossing would be supported by the committee.

The committee had been cc’d on a letter from Michael Parsonage, Chairman, Buckland & Aston Clinton Cricket Club addressed to Mick Denham at AVDC regarding the Park farm application and issues relating to i) the risk of stray cricket balls and ii) S106 money. The matters were discussed and it was proposed that Cllr Read would write to M Parsonage suggesting the he pursues point i) directly with the developers and owners of the land.

- v. 15/01275/APP 93 Weston Rd – (re-development of former piggery, 2 dwellings, amended plans) was discussed and Cllr Read asked **the committee to look at the amended plans and email comments before the 7<sup>th</sup> December.**
- vi. Other

15/03786/AOP Land south of Aylesbury Rd – (outline application for up to 93 residential units) this application had just been received and the committee needed time to look through the plans and report back.

15.48 Neighbourhood Plan

Mr Winterbottom joined the meeting and was brought up to speed on his role on helping develop the neighbourhood plan. He was informed that he would be working with Mr J Disbury on Housing and Cllr Read recommended he contact the consultant, J Lampert, for guidance.

Mr Winterbottom asked if reference should be made to the County Council Local plan and was informed that yes it should. Cllr Read would provide Mr Winterbottom with the contact details of an excellent researcher who lives in the village and who is happy to provide her expertise.

The committee discussed the concerns on whether the Neighbourhood plan will hold any weight and Cllr Read stressed the importance of stopping coalescence with greater Aylesbury and the need to create a boundary to keep the village core.

15.49 Any Other Business

Christmas Tree Field - Cllr Wyatt informed the committee that he had been in contact with Cllr Paternoster regarding the state of the site and the environmental department had organised a site visit but were not interested in pursuing the matter. **ACTION:** Cllr Wyatt would forward copies of his email correspondence to Cllr Read.

There was no further business and the meeting was declared closed at 19.30.

15.50 Date of next meeting

No date was set for the next meeting.

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