

**STOKE BY NAYLAND PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE
HELD ON TUESDAY 6 MARCH 2018 AT 7.00 PM**

Present: Jeremy Bloomfield (JB), Chairman
Stevie Bezencenet (SB), Vice-Chairman
Isabelle Reece (IR)
Martin Nielsen (MN)
Adam Sedgwick (AS)
Vivienne Klimowicz (VK)

In attendance: James Dark – Clerk (JD)

Public present: 17 members of the public (7.00-7.30pm)

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

3 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 6 February 2018 were approved and signed.

4 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

4.1 Application DC/18/00630 and DC/18/00631 – Thorington House

No comments

4.2 Application DC/18/00487 – Knoll Cottage

No comments

5 PLANNING DECISIONS

5.1 Application DC/18/00211 – St Mary’s Church

The committee noted approval of the application.

5.2 Application B/16/01672

The committee noted conditions relating to discharge of the work. Members considered that it is not clear how BDC will monitor them.

Action: JB to contact BDC to ask how compliance with conditions will be monitored.

6 PLANNING TOGETHER AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

6.1 Beacham’s Farm developments

Members noted communication from SCC stating that:

- The bridleway which provides access to Beacham’s Farm will be closed at certain times for public safety reasons during construction on the Beacham’s Farm site
- SCC does not intend to challenge BDC’s decision to allow access for construction via the bridleway.

The committee discussed the possibility that:

- BDC may have acted outside its powers in unilaterally approving a planning application which had clear potential to permanently alter and damage a bridleway for which SCC is responsible
- SCC may have failed in its duties to consider the planning application’s implication for the

bridleway, especially in view of the chairman's warnings to SCC on this matter before the re-consultation on the application.

Action: It was agreed that the chairman and clerk would seek legal advice on potential BDC and SCC maladministration.

6.2 Expired planning notices

The committee noted communication from BDC stating any person can remove planning notices after their expiry date. Members commented that removal would prevent litter and unsightly proliferation of notices.

Action: JB agreed to remove expired planning notices.

7 PLANNING MATTERS ARISING

7.1 SALC Babergh Area Meeting of March 5

JB reported that SALC and NALC are considering whether to escalate BDC's failure to maintain an adequate five-year land supply, which has led to the approval of applications for new housing outside sites identified in the Local Plan. SALC noted at the meeting that a number of other district councils face similar issues.

8 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 3 April 2018 at 7pm in the Village Hall

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 7.28pm.

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Chairman

Date