

**STOKE BY NAYLAND PARISH COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE  
HELD ON TUESDAY 7 JULY 2020 AT 7.00 PM (Skype meeting)**

**Present:** Martin Nielsen (MN) – Chairman  
Sean Fry (SF) – Vice-Chairman  
Stevie Bezencenet (SB)  
Adam Sedgwick (AS)  
Vivienne Klimowicz (VK)

**Apologies:** Isabelle Reece (IR)

**In attendance:** James Dark - Clerk (JD)

---

**1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

See above

**2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ANY AGENDA ITEM**

None

**3 MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting held on 2 June 2020 were approved. (These would be signed at a date agreed by the Chairman and Clerk).

**4 PUBLIC FORUM**

No members of the public were present.

**5 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

**5.1 Application DC/20/01942 - Stoke by Nayland Club**

It was noted that:

- No information on results from additional noise surveys promised by the applicant had been provided;
- Activity which could cause significant noise disturbance remained part of the application.

Therefore, it was agreed to request that the application should not be approved without a condition to prevent noise or other disturbance outside the curtilage of the development.

**Action:** AS to draft a response to the application setting out this request and the concerns identified by the committee. Clerk to lodge the response following comment from members.

**5.2 Application DC/20/02647 – Wasses Farm**

It was noted that:

- The building concerned had been used as a dwelling in contravention of a condition of the original 1985 consent;
- The application for a Lawful Development Certificate depended on demonstration that the building had been occupied continuously for four years;
- This evidence was missing from the documents accompanying the application on the Babergh District Council website.

**Action:** MN to draft a response stating that BDC should not approve the application unless it had received the necessary information, and that this information should be published.

**Action:** SF to provide MN with the legal reference setting out the requirement for four years' continuous occupation in order to gain a Lawful Development Certificate.

## **6 PLANNING DECISIONS**

### **6.1 Application DC/20/01754 - Crockleford House**

Approval of the application was noted.

## **7 PLANNING CONTROL**

### **7.1 Park House**

It was noted that Tendring Hall Estate had informed the Clerk of the work being carried out, and this was in keeping with the Estate's recent approach to engagement with the council. The committee did not consider that the works caused any concerns.

### **7.2 Arboreal protection**

MN reported that Tendring Hall Estate had asked the parish council to suggest a native species of tree for planting at the location where a mature Sycamore had been felled near The Crown. It was agreed that members should report back with suggestions at the September planning committee, including asking for advice from organisations such as the AONB Project and Dedham Vale Society. The possibility of consulting Alison Farmer who had carried out the Landscape Character Assessment was also raised. It was noted that the re-planting should involve a tree of appropriate size, not saplings.

**Action:** Members to report back to the September meeting.

**Action:** Clerk to thank the Estate for requesting suggestions and inform the Estate that the parish council would be in touch in due course.

MN reported further that the Estate was planning to remove willow trees on the footpath from Maltings Cottage and re-plant with a native species. This was expected to start in August. Members indicated that they understood the rationale for this action but retention of a small number of willows would be desirable to retain a diverse range of trees.

**Action:** It was agreed that MN should contact the Estate to request retention of a small number of willows for the reason outlined above.

MN reported that the National Trust would be removing an Ash Tree at Thorington Hall for safety reasons, but had not indicated any intentions regarding re-planting. It was agreed that this issue should be raised with the National Trust in due course.

MN reported that the Community Woodland had indicated that it did not wish to carry out the tree survey proposed by the parish council.

## **8 OUTSTANDING ISSUES/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- Tree survey
- Replanting at the village gateway near The Crown
- Replanting at Thorington Hall.

## **9 DATE AND TIMING OF NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday 4 August 2020 at 7.30pm – venue TBC.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 7.35pm.