

**STOKE BY NAYLAND PARISH COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF THE PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD ON TUESDAY 2 MARCH 2021 AT 7.00 PM (Skype meeting)**

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

**Apologies:** None

**In attendance:** James Dark - Clerk (JD); BDC Councillor Melanie Barrett 7.30-7.40

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**1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

See above

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

None

**3 PUBLIC FORUM**

No members of the public present

**4 MINUTES**

**4.1 Minutes of the previous meeting**

The minutes of the meeting held on 2 February 2021 were approved. (These would be signed at a date agreed by the Chairman and Clerk).

**5 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

**5.1 Application DC/21/ 00599/600 – The Old Presbytery**

Members noted that the owner of the building runs a holiday letting business and expressed reservations over whether the corrugated tin roof proposed was an appropriate material.

It was agreed that the clerk should respond to the application requesting that BDC hold discussions with the applicant to determine whether a roofing material more in keeping with the vernacular should be used and to ensure that BDC understands the owner's plans for future use of the building when making a decision on the application.

**Action:** Clerk to submit response making the request outlined above.

**5.2 Application DC/21/ 05890/91 – The Stables**

No comments - it was noted that this application had been approved in advance of the consultation end date.

**5.3 Application DC/21/00992 – The Pyghtle**

No comments

**5.4 Application DC/21/01005 – Woody Cottage**

No comments

**5.5 Application DC/21/01091 – Tree work on B1087**

No comments

**5.6 Application DC/21/01125 – Spring Hill**

No comments

**5.7 Application DC/21/01211 – Fenwood Cottage**

No comments

## **6 PLANNING DECISIONS**

### **6.1 Application DC/21/00207 – Scotland House**

Approval of the application was noted.

### **6.2 Application DC/20/05324 – Maples**

Approval of the application was noted.

## **7 PLANNING CONTROL**

It was noted that BDC's enforcement team would not be taking action on issues raised in relation to development and modifications at Beacham's Farm and The Cottage. With regard to The Cottage, members expressed concern that BDC's enforcement team appeared indifferent to incorrect procedure that had been followed by the previous owner in relation to tree removal in the conservation area.

**Action:** It was agreed that the approach taken by BDC's enforcement team in failing to challenge incorrect procedure and advise householders on requirements would be raised with BDC councillor Melanie Barrett.

It was noted that internal clearance works had been taking place at 8 Polstead Street, a listed property, and that window replacement was being considered. Members considered that listed building consent and planning permission was likely to be required for aspects of this work and noted that no application had yet been notified to the parish council.

**Action:** BDC councillor Melanie Barrett said she would raise the matter with the BDC planning department to determine whether the department should ask the householder to submit applications for the works.

## **8 PLANNING TOGETHER AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

### **8.1 Quiet Lanes**

It was noted that proposals had been published in LSPN. It was agreed that an extraordinary meeting of the parish council should be held on 6 April to consider the results of the Quiet Lanes public consultation and whether to approve the project and funding.

**Action:** Clerk to arrange the extraordinary meeting.

### **8.2 Government's Right to Regenerate consultation**

It was agreed that a response was not required but the matter was noted in relation to garages on The Blundens.

### **8.3 Hastoe Homes Public Consultation**

It was noted that parishioners had requested that the promoters provide greater clarity on the proposal. It was suggested that an open meeting and exhibition in the church or village hall might be appropriate as facilities become available for such gatherings.

**Action:** AS to discuss with Hastoe.

### **8.4 Boxted Mill Bridge**

AS reported that a potential position could be for a three tonne limit to remain on the bridge following ECC's works with an exemption for local farmers. This would prevent the bridge becoming a through route for goods vehicles and avoid disruption for farmers. This could be considered further at the appropriate time.

### **8.5 Tree felling in The Park**

It was noted that UKPN had felled two mature trees close to power lines in The Park and that this raised a number of issues relating to the powers and consents required to carry out such works in a Conservation Area. It was also noted that other trees are closer to the power lines and so it was unclear why the felled trees had been selected and whether further works are planned.

**Actions:** SB to request clarification from Tendring Hall Estate on why these trees had been removed, the powers/consents for the works and potential further felling.  
AS to produce a map showing the location of these trees to assist SB.

## **9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- Proposals for an Anglian Water line through the parish
- Twinstead-Bramford power line proposals
- Dark Skies
- Tree felling in The Park
- Boxted Mill Bridge

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

Tuesday 6 April 2021 at 7.30pm – Skype.

The chairman closed the meeting at 7.40pm.