

## MINUTES OF THE PLANNING MEETING HELD ON 25<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2023 AT 7:30PM AT NORTH CURRY VILLAGE HALL

**PRESENT:** Mr Tony Turner (Chairman), Mr Graham Cable, Mr Ian Fugett, Mrs Helen Griffiths, Mr Adam Hardwick, Mr Brian Jeanes, Mrs Tina Stodgell. Three members of the public were present.

- 1) **To receive and approve apologies:** Apologies were received from Ms Smith and Mrs Leader.
- 2) **To approve the minutes of the previous planning meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> November 2022:** Mrs Stodgell proposed the minutes were a true record, Mr Jeanes seconded, and all were in favour.
- 3) **Declarations of interest:** The Chairman declared an interest in item 5 application 24/22/0055, so will leave the room prior to discussion and decision, passing the item over to Mr Fugett to present.
- 4) **Matters arising:** At the previous meeting, concerns about a building on White Street were discussed. The Clerk wrote to SW&T planning, a site visit was done, and the owner has been invited to submit a planning application. The Clerk will also write to building control following further concerns.
- 5) **Applications for comment by North Curry Parish Council:**

**24/22/0055:** *Siting of 3 No. shepherds huts with parking/turning area, private decking, service hut and sustainable drainage system with associated footpaths and landscaping on land at Higher Knapp Lane, North Curry.*

The Chairman handed the item over to Mr Fugett and left the room. Mr Fugett explained the application, and stated that, on a site visit, the applicant was open to withdrawing the application in favour of a more suitable location that won't be overlooking other properties. A discussion was had about the location currently proposed. Three members of the public, who would be affected by this application, were present to share their concerns.

Mrs Stodgell proposed to object on the grounds that the location is inappropriate being on top of a sloping hill and too high above the road with a low hedge that wouldn't screen the huts, making it too visible from many residences. There will also likely be an impact on light and noise levels for nearby residents. There is also concern that another access into that area is available and could be used. Mr Fugett seconded; all were in favour. The Chairman was not present for voting.

**24/22/0042:** *Replacement and relocation of garage at Brooklands, Langport Road, Wrantage.*

The Chairman returned to the meeting and explained the location and details of the application. The Chairman proposed to support the application but add that the Parish Council would like to see the rendering finished in a neutral colour. Mrs Stodgell seconded, and all were in favour.

**Permission/Refusals received:**

**24/22/0048/T:** *Notification to carry out management works to one mulberry tree, one quince, one Holm Oak and one walnut within North Curry Conservation Area at Monksleigh, The Fosse, North Curry.* Decision of No Objection - Trees was made on 30/11/2022.

**24/22/0027:** *Demolition of buildings and erection of 1 No. dwelling with garage, landscaping, and associated works on land to the south of 2 - 4 The Pavement, North Curry.* Decision of Conditional Approval was made on 08/12/2022.

**24/22/0046:** *Erection of an agricultural storage building at New Barn Farm, Langlands Lane, North Curry (part retrospective).* Decision of Conditional Approval was made on 02/12/2022.

**24/22/0049/T:** *Notification to carry out management works to one Parrotia persica tree within North Curry Conservation Area at West Cottage, Queens Square, North Curry.* Decision of No Objection - Trees was made on 06/12/2022.

**24/22/0050/T:** *Application to carry out management works to one cypress tree included in Taunton Deane Borough (North Curry No.2) Tree Preservation Order 2002 at Cypress Cottage, The Fosse, North Curry (TD934).* Decision of Conditional Approval was made on 06/12/2022.

**24/22/0044:** *Installation of twin wall flue through the roof of Longs Cottage, White Street, North Curry.* Decision of Conditional Approval was made on 09/12/2022.

**24/22/0052/T:** *Notification to fell one Ash tree within North Curry Conservation Area at Trinity Cottage, 17 Stoke Road, North Curry.* Decision of No Objection - Trees was made on 12/12/2022.

**24/22/0043:** *Erection of a summerhouse at Brettell Barn, Stoke Road, North Curry.* Decision of Conditional Approval was made on 11/01/2023.
- 6) **Planning correspondence:**

There were two responses from SW&T regarding planning enforcement cases; one was covered during item 4. The second letter was regarding a property on Moor Lane where the new boundary wall seems to be

encroaching onto the road, but SW&T did not believe this to be the case. They also had no concerns with how the wall had been built seemingly taller than planned, or the lack of railings.

Finally, a letter was received from a couple interested in buying a property in Wrantage. The letter requested for the Agricultural Tie to be lifted, a request which has been rejected twice. The Chairman proposed the Clerk should write back saying that lifting this tie has been considered before and rejected, and any requests for this would have to be made via SW&T the planning authority, who would then ask for the Parish Council's comments. The Parish Council are still in the same mind-set as with previous applications, which can be viewed in the minutes.

7) **Matters for discussion:**

**Mr Cable:** Half a dozen living vans were spotted in a field at the bottom of Knapp Hill, towards Ham. The Clerk will check previous enforcement correspondence with SW&T, and reply stating that the vehicles have returned and could they please investigate.

**Mr Fugett:** Work seems to be going on at the Oxen Lane bus stop involving a new post appearing. No one was aware of plans for further work. This will be investigated.

The meeting concluded at 8:35pm.

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