

## NORTH CURRY PARISH COUNCIL – PLANNING COMMITTEE

### MINUTES OF THE PLANNING MEETING HELD ON 31<sup>st</sup> MAY 2023 AT 7:30PM AT NORTH CURRY VILLAGE HALL

**Present:** Mr Tony Turner (Chairman), Mrs Jeanne Leader (Vice-Chairman), Mrs Tina Stodgell, Ms Cecilia Smith, Mr Adam Hardwick, Mr Graham Cable. Four members of the public.

- 1) **To elect the Chairman and Vice Chairman:** There being no other nominations, Mr Turner was proposed as Chairman by Mr Hardwick, seconded by Mrs Stodgell, and all were in favour. There being no other nominations, Mrs Leader was proposed as Vice-Chairman by Mr Turner, seconded by Mrs Stodgell, and all were in favour. The declaration of office forms will be signed at the Parish Office tomorrow.
- 2) **To receive and approve apologies:** Apologies were received from Mr Fugett, Mr Jeanes, and Mrs Griffiths.
- 3) **To approve the minutes of the last planning meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> April 2023:** Mr Hardwick proposed the minutes were a true record, Mrs Leader seconded, and all were in favour.
- 4) **Declarations of interest:** None declared.
- 5) **Matters arising:** None.
- 6) **Applications for comment by North Curry Parish Council:**

**24/23/0014:** *Demolition of buildings and erection of 1 No. dwelling with associated works and change of use of land to residential at Moredon Farm, North Curry.*

Mr Turner presented the application and there was a discussion on it's history with the class Q approval.

Mr Turner proposed the following statement "North Curry Parish Council supports the application on the grounds that it would prefer to see a purpose-built energy efficient property rather than using the existing class Q approval to convert the existing agricultural structures into three dwellings. The Parish Council would like, if acceptable, the plinth to be constructed of Blue Lias stone which would be softer to blend in with the local surroundings". Mrs Leader seconded; all were in favour bar one abstention.

**24/23/0015/T:** *Notification to fell one Magnolia tree within North Curry Conservation Area at The Old Vicarage, Church Road, North Curry.*

Mr Turner explained the need for the application, the applicant was also present to share the history of the tree. The possibility of replacing the tree was discussed, and appropriate locations to do so considering the large roots.

Mr Turner proposed the following statement "North Curry Parish Council supports this application but would really like to see a replacement tree planted in its stead. If not possible in the front garden, then it would be appreciated if another tree still be planted to replace the felled tree". Mr Hardwick seconded; all were in favour.

**24/23/0018:** *Removal of Condition No. 18 (great crested newt district level licence) of application 24/21/0045 at Goulds Farm, Stoke Road, North Curry.*

Mr Turner and the applicant shared the history of the application and the lengthy ecology process that has been undertaken, and that permission has come through for the buildings. Condition 18 and district level licences (DLL) were explained.

Mr Turner proposed the following statement "North Curry Parish Council supports this application as the majority of the groundworks have been completed and the applicant has taken due diligence in the ecology process. The remaining development is the demolition of an existing building which won't affect any newts".

Mr Hardwick seconded; all were in favour.

#### **Permission/Refusals received:**

**24/21/0045:** *Demolition of agricultural buildings and erection of a timber car port with annexe in the roof space, timber stable block, formation of outdoor arena, relocation of access onto Stoke Road and change of use of land from agricultural to various uses to include domestic and equestrian as detailed on the accompanying Block Plan at Goulds Farm, Stoke Road, North Curry. Decision of Conditional Approval was made on 24/04/2023.*

**24/23/0006/LB:** *Internal building regulation requirements at The Warren, Stoke Road, North Curry. Decision of Conditional Approval was made on 28/04/2023.*

**24/22/0020:** *Erection of 1 No. dwelling and garage on land north of The Warren, now known as The Wilderness, Stoke Road, North Curry (retention of part works already undertaken). Decision of Conditional Approval was made on 12/05/2023.*

**24/23/0010:** *Erection of 1 No. dwelling with associated works at Stoney Ridge, Langport Road, Wrantage.*  
Withdrawn.

7) **Planning correspondence:**

**Tree Preservation Order:** *The Wilderness (formerly The Warren).* The TPO protects one oak and one birch tree.

Mr Turner showed the location and type of the two trees. Tree Warden Mr Stone has been made aware.

8) **Matters for discussion:** None.

**The meeting closed at 8:40pm.**