

## NORTH CURRY PARISH COUNCIL – PLANNING COMMITTEE

### MINUTES OF THE PLANNING MEETING HELD ON 25th OCTOBER 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, Mrs Helen Griffiths, and Mr Brian Jeanes. Three members of the public.

- 1) **To receive and approve apologies:** Apologies were received from Mr Fugett.
- 2) **To approve the minutes of the last planning meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> August 2023:** Mr Hardwick proposed the minutes were a true record, Mrs Stodgell seconded, and all were in favour.
- 3) **Declarations of interest:** The Chairman declared an interest in application 24/23/0040 so will explain the application then leave for discussion and voting. Mrs Stodgell and Ms Smith declared an interest in 24/23/0037 so will leave the room while the application is being talked about.
- 4) **Matters arising:** None.
- 5) **Applications for comment by North Curry Parish Council:**

**24/23/0036:** *Change of use of detached outbuilding into 1 No. holiday let at Broad Lane Farm, Broad Lane, North Curry.*

The Chairman explained the application, and the applicant was present to answer any questions. After a discussion, the Chairman proposed to support the application, Mr Hardwick seconded, and all were in favour.

**24/23/0037:** *Erection of 1 No. dwelling with associated works at Stoney Ridge, Langport Road, Wrantage (resubmission of 24/23/0010).*

Mrs Stodgell and Ms Smith left the room. The Chairman explained the application and how it differed from the previous one, the applicant was present and answered questions during the discussion. In regard to the windows, the applicant explained that they will be single pane, not multiple as shown in the drawings. The Chairman proposed to support the application with the same comment as previous (for 24/23/0010), adding that the Parish Council is pleased to see the size has been reduced and the orientation has been changed; Mr Cable seconded, and all were in favour. Mrs Stodgell and Ms Smith returned to the room.

**24/23/0038/T:** *Notification to fell one Purple Plum tree, one holly and one cypress tree and to carry out management works to one holly tree within North Curry Conservation Area at Queens Square Garden, North Curry.*

As this application was made by North Curry Parish Council, it was felt there was no need to discuss, vote, or comment on it.

**24/23/0040:** *External alterations for works to convert the building to a flexible use (Class C1 guesthouse purposes) approved under 24/22/0022CR at Orchard Farm, Higher Knapp Lane, North Curry.*

The Chairman explained the application and then left the room. Mrs Leader then led the discussion which included environmental considerations, and whether the design fit with the surroundings. Mrs Stodgell proposed the following comment: "North Curry parish Council supports the application but would like to see environmental factors considered, such as solar panels and heat pumps. The Parish Council would prefer to see the render a muted colour, preferably not white, and the hedge should be maintained at it's current height for screening". Mr Hardwick seconded, and all were in favour. The Chairman returned to the room.

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

**24/23/0025:** *Replacement of extension to the rear of Manor Farm, Stoke Road, North Curry.* Decision of Conditional Approval was made by the Development Control Manager under delegated powers on 30/08/2023.

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**24/23/0029:** *Erection of a two storey and single storey extension to the rear and porch canopy to the front of Poplar Farm, West Sedgemoor Road, North Curry.* Withdrawn.

**24/23/0032:** *Erection of a two-storey extension to the rear with alterations to roof and erection of a single storey link with extension to garage at Monksleigh, The Fosse, North Curry.* Decision of Conditional Approval was made by the Development Control Manager under delegated powers on 26/09/2023.

**24/23/0020:** *Erection of a single storey extension to the rear, conversion of garage into ancillary accommodation and replacement of balcony at 1 Lodwells Orchard, North Curry.* Decision of Conditional Approval was made by the Development Control Manager under delegated powers on 04/10/2023.

**24/23/0031:** *Formation of agricultural access off Newport Road, Newport, North Curry.* Decision of Conditional Approval was made by the Development Control Manager under delegated powers on 02/10/2023.

**24/23/0035/T:** *Notification to carry out management works to two beech trees, one Horse Chestnut and one Tulip Tree within North Curry Conservation Area at Calmady, Church Road, North Curry.* Decision of No Objection - Trees was made by the Development Control Manager under delegated powers on 29/09/2023.

- 6) **Planning correspondence:** Correspondence was received regarding activity at One Tree Farm in Knapp, this was reported to the planning enforcement officer who is investigating. There was also a notice that a diversion has been made to footpath T 17/61 again.

7) **Matters for discussion:**

Mrs Leader: Concerns about the state of the entrance to a building site on Nine Acre Lane which has become very deep, wet, and muddy. The Clerk will contact the developer to ask if this can be cleaned up and maintained. The track is only being used for construction; it will not be permanent.

**The meeting concluded at 8:30pm.**