Weedon Parish Council Minutes of Meeting

Wednesday 31 March 2021 7.30pm

Minutes of Virtual Planning Meeting of Weedon Parish Council held on Zoom Wednesday 31 March 2021 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs J Rose (Chair), J Sellers, N Winnett, S Gibbs, W Kett, S Gradley, T Jameson-Evans.

Clerk: Ruth Millard

Members of the Public: Weedon Residents: Ebony & Michael Walsh, John & Kirsty Lever

Public Open Forum

For residents to bring items to the Council's attention.

34/21 Apologies

The members received apologies from residents Mr & Mrs Kemp.

35/21 Members' Interests

Members are invited to declare disclosable pecuniary interests and other interests in items on the agenda as required by the Weedon Parish Council Code of Conduct for Members and by the Localism Act 2011. J Rose declared an interest with item 37/21b. as she was a close neighbour.

36/21 Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the Virtual Zoom General Meeting 17 March 2021 were unavailable.

37/21 Planning

a. 21/00862/APP Field House 17 Aston Abbotts Road Weedon Buckinghamshire HP22 4NH Single storey garden room extension and a two-bay car port.

J Rose closed the meeting to allow the applicants to inform the Parish Council about their application. They said that the single storey garden room extension would enable them to link the property properly to the garden. It would be used as a sitting room as the room in the house is used as a home office. They had spoken to their immediate neighbours who seemed happy with the application. After the applicants had answered questions from the Councillors, JR closed the open forum and re-opened the meeting.

The Parish Council RESOLVED to send in No Objection comment to 21/00862/APP.

J Rose stood down and J Sellers took the Chair for the next item.

b. 21/01049/APP Finsthwaite High Street Weedon Buckinghamshire HP22 4NS Rear single storey and two storey extension with first floor balcony area

J Sellers closed the meeting to allow the public to speak. A neighbour spoke that as the property was elevated above his property, he would be adversely affected by the application. The balcony area would give a perfect view into their garden. It would impede their privacy, spoil their amenity and there was a lack of precedence for the development. The mass of the proposed development would also bring the building 3 to 4 metres closer to the boundary.

J Sellers closed the open forum and reopened the meeting. The members discussed the privacy issue and decided that a site visit would be in order before making a decision. The members agreed another planning meeting on Monday 12 April 2021 to resolve the matter.

J Rose retook the Chair.

38/21 Finance and Accounts

No payments to approve.

39/21 Environment

a. Horticultural contracts 21-22

Members considered the 2 quotes for the horticultural contracts for 2021-22 for Amenity Areas and Devolved Services and award the contracts to Lynch Garden Services.

b. Grit Bin replacement

Update on information from Local Area Technician. JR proposed that the Parish Council purchases 4 replacement bins, 2 in Black & 2 in Green and requests that Bucks Council replaces the 2 Yellow Bins with green bins.

c. Footpath 12 surface amelioration

JR proposed that the Parish Council considers further the possibility of applying wood chippings to help with the waterlogging and suggested that Lynch Garden Services is asked if they have wood chippings to do the job with. The members RESOLVED to request Lynch Garden Services to spread wood chippings over the muddy area on footpath 12.

40/21 Use of Park for an event

JR proposed that the Parish Council consider the request from the Weedon Village Association to use the Park for displaying entries to an Easter Colouring Competition. To note the need for an Event Risk Assessment if this is agreed. All the members agreed that the Weedon Village Association could use the Park to display entries to the Easter Colouring Competition.

41/21 Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be a planning meeting on 12 April 2021 at 7.30 pm The date of the Annual Parish Council meeting is provisionally Wed 19 May 2021.

Part 2.

42/21 Resolution to exclude the public and press from the meeting

Weedon Parish Council passed a resolution in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 to exclude the public and press from the meeting by reason of the confidential nature of the business contained in a letter from Deputy Lieutenant of Buckinghamshire Sir Francis Habgood.

43/21 Confidential matter – closed to the public

JR read the letter from the Deputy Lieutenant of Buckinghamshire Sir Francis Habgood. The members RESOLVED to do all that was appropriate for the village. **Action;** S Gibbs would take the lead.

The meeting closed at 20.48 pm.

Chair Signature

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Minutes prepared by Ruth Millard 12/04/2021