

LITTLE DOWNHAM PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of a Extraordinary Meeting of Little Downham Parish Council held in the Village Hall, Main Street, Little Downham, on Thursday, 6 November 2008 commencing at 7.45pm.

Councillors present: DA Adams-Payne, in the chair, DJ Badcock, CM Frankland, CE Hall, EW Hall, RS Martin, M Oldfield, RC Stacey, BL Taylor, AJ White and KO Winters.

Attendees: None.

APOLOGIES – Received from Dist. Cllrs A Bailey and A Goodge and County Cllr P Read.

119/08 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

1. Cllr DA Adams-Payne declared a personal interest in item 121/08.6 because she was a friend of the applicant.

2. Cllr DJ Badcock declared a personal interest in item 121/08.6 because he was a friend of the applicant.

3. Cllr BL Taylor declared a prejudicial interest in item 121/08.1 because he was the applicant.

120/08 TO ADJOURN MEETING FOR PUBLIC FORUM – No public present.

121/08 PLANNING MATTERS

1. To consider planning applications received:

7.50pm Cllr Taylor left the meeting.

1.1 08/00826/FUL Taylor Marketing, Willow Farm, Pymoor Common, Pymoor – Farm office & workshop lean to building - **RESOLVED: *The Parish Council had no concerns.***

8.02pm Cllr Taylor was invited back to the meeting.

1.2 08/00896/FUL J Henderson Esq, Land behind 20 – 24 Straight Furlong, Pymoor – Construction of two dwellings - **RESOLVED: *Little Downham Parish Council has concerns about this application and recommends that conditions be applied in relation to the following:***

1. Drainage – It is recommended that no development should be started until a full drainage scheme is approved and in place.

2. Parishioners' concerns – It is recommended that the Local Planning Authority considers local parishioners' concerns. In particular, the Parish Council received copies of correspondence to the case officer from Mrs D Jupp and Mr and Mrs G Farrell.

1.3 08/00898/FUL Mr Sean MacManus, 39 Lawn Lane, Lt Downham – Proposed rear extension – **Amendment** – The reduction in length of the first floor extension and ground floor extension extended - **RESOLVED: *The Parish Council had no concerns.***

1.3 08/00971/FUL Mr Michael Parris, Extension to form a new kitchen, lounge, cloakroom, utility room and porch with a 'retreat' and storage area formed in the roofspace - **RESOLVED: *The Parish Council had no concerns.***

1.4 08/00982/FUL Mr M Nagel, Bridge Farm, Straight Furlong, Pymoor – Change of use from agriculture to paddock - **RESOLVED: *The Parish Council had no concerns.***

1.5 08/00985/FUL Mr R Pettit, 56 Cannon Street, Lt Downham – Construction of new 2 storey dwelling - **RESOLVED: *Little Downham Parish Council has concerns about this application and recommends outright refusal for the following reasons:***

1. Driveway/Access – It is considered that the access is too close to the junction of Chapel Lane.

2. Proposed dwelling – It is considered to be of poor design and not in keeping with the street scene, especially Chapel Lane. It is too dense for this location and will give an over-cramped appearance.

3. Street Scene – It is considered that the 1.8m high close boarded fence and gable end will have an adverse impact on Chapel Lane, which is a narrow lane with no footpath.

2. Planning correspondence

For information only:

2.1 ECDC – Applications approved: 08/00804/FUI, 08/00850/FUL

2.2 ECDC – Applications refused: 08/00728/FUL

122/08 FINANCE

1. To consider short term investment of Council funds (Min.113/08.4) – The Clerk confirmed that the Standard Life Bank Fixed Rate Bond had been set up. She was unable at present to find other business accounts with similar high interest rates. It was agreed to put the matter on hold for now.

2. To approve bills and other items for payment:

2.1 The Handyman requested timber to replace the damaged security barriers at the Cartshed. He and Mr E Runciman were happy to collect the timber.

RESOLVED: To approve purchase of timber from Ridgeons, Cambridge, to the value of £33.05 and collection by the Handyman and Mr Runciman.

2.2 RESOLVED: To approve list of payments for cheque numbers 000451 to 000458 for the total sum of £2089.07.

123/08 CRB SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENT

1. To approve renewal of Agreement with Cambridgeshire County Council – The new agreement was accepted.

RESOLVED: To approve and sign the Service Level Agreement and name the Clerk and the Chairman as the Council's contact point for CRB matters.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 9.20pm.

