

## FORNHAM ALL SAINTS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the additional Parish Council Meeting of Fornham All Saints Parish Council held on 9<sup>th</sup> February 2017 at 7.00pm in Fornham All Saints Village Hall.

### Members Present:

**Mr Howard Quayle – Chairman**

**Mr Gary Clark Ward**

**Mr Bernard Grimshaw**

**Mrs Enid Gathercole**

**Ms Wendy Braithwaite**

**Mrs L Dawson**

**With Mrs Victoria Waples (Clerk) and 1 member of the public.**

1145. OPENING STATEMENT – a statement was read out indicating, that in accordance with changes in legislation, the public and councillors were permitted to film, photograph or use social media in order to report on the proceedings of the meeting.  
*A full transcript of the statement is available from the Clerk upon request.*

1146. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

- i. Cllrs. Purnell, Hodder and Braithwaite had submitted their apologies due to personal commitments.
- ii. Council consented to accept these apologies.

1147. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND NON PECUNIARY INTEREST

- i. Cllr. Gathercole declared Local Non Pecuniary Interests as Members of the Community Centre Committee. There were no other pecuniary or local non pecuniary interests for the agenda under discussion. Councillors were reminded that they should regularly review their own Register of Interests and advise the Clerk of any changes within 28 days of the change.
- ii. There were no disclosures of gifts of hospitality exceeding £25.
- iii. There were no requests for dispensations with regards to the Agenda under discussion.

1148. MINUTES – agreement was forthcoming that the approval of the minutes from the Parish Council Meeting of 17<sup>th</sup> January 2017 would take place on the scheduled meeting of 21<sup>st</sup> March 2017.

*The Chairman proposed and it was agreed by all that the agenda be rearranged to allow the Public Forum to take place ahead of Parish Matters*

1149. PUBLIC FORUM – *to note the closure of the meeting to allow the following session to take place*

- i. To receive questions and issues from the public present - there were none received.

1150. VILLAGE MATTERS – TO DISCUSS RECENT VILLAGE MATTERS COMING FORTH–

- i. Meeting with Breheny Site Manager, Marham Park to discuss works to the track leading to the allotments – although the Site Manager didn't turn up at the scheduled time on Thursday 19 January, the Chairman confirmed that a telephone conversation did take place and that the Site Manager recommended that although Breheny could supply hardcore/hoggin, but would not be able to bring machinery onto the track or dig out the verge, without permission reason being the existence of the strategic Government Pipelines and Storage System aviation fuel line running beneath the track. The Site Manager also stated that Contractors can only work in the vicinity of this pipeline when the requisite paperwork has been completed, and Method of Working statement, etc. has been submitted and approved which involves cost. It was agreed that the Chairman should contact R C Browne and ascertain whether they would be prepared to cut back the verge/bank, dig out the track and spread/consolidate the hardcore and that he should also ask Countryside if, *ex gratia*, they would pay for the cost of the paperwork above, in which case the work could go ahead with Breheny's.

1151. PLANNING MATTERS – the following planning matters were considered by the Parish Council

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- i. Reserved Matters Application – Submission of details under outline planning permission DC/13/0932/HYB – the means of access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale for parcels G and H @ Marham Park, Tut Hill

Council agreed to recommend refusal of the application in its current form for the following reasons:

- Another development erect by Bloor Homes had been visited and it was felt that developments were very close together and parking appeared to be inadequate.
  - 150 dwellings gave a density of 35.88 hectare – urban development was 34-37.5. This was felt to be inappropriate for this parcel of land on the edge of the development – it was noted that Bury Town Council had objected on grounds of overdevelopment only.
  - Split 36 1-2 beds; 45 affordable housing (30%); 70 + larger - too heavily weighted in favour of larger properties – issue re lack of detail on the mix of affordable housing – noted that West Suffolk Housing Department had stated that the proposed size of affordable housing as being built below acceptable minimum standard and that they may be difficult to transfer.
  - Flood & Water Engineer at SCC had withheld approval – Parcel H drainage flow tested at 10.75 litres per second and needs to be at 19.0 litres – no details re maintenance and management had been submitted – if the development is approved this should be a condition.
  - Main roads 5.5 wide; subsidiary roads 3.7 too narrow – access to service vehicles might be compromised
  - Comments made under previous submissions regarding street hierarchy still held
  - Parking is still an issue but at least there is visitor parking but some areas still too snug
  - Parking – 300 spaces; 80 garages; 10 car ports; 34 parking spaces for visitors – residential amenities of neighbouring properties will be impacted due to potential issues over parking etc
  - Localised deliveries will impact on road system vis-à-vis parked cars; refuse vehicles, removal vehicles etc.
  - General appearance – formulaic
  - Noted New Homes Bonus; S106 issues
- ii. Householder Application – single storey rear extension (following alterations to existing rear extension) @ 14 Pigeon Lane  
Council recommended approval of this application as it was felt that the extension would look better than the existing extension and that there would be no detrimental impact on either the neighbouring properties or the street scene.
- iii. Street Naming and Numbering for the development of 1 new street at Tut Hill, Bury St Edmunds – Council considered the request from the Developer to name the central road within Marham Park – Marham Parkway in line with the housing development name. Council had no objections to this request.
- iv. Council was informed of the following decisions as determined by the Borough Council:
- Permission for single storey side extension, conversion of existing garage into habitable space and front porch canopy @ 17 Pound Meadow
- v. TPO 125 (1970) Tree Preservation Order – 1 No Sycamore (no. T5 on plan, no T2 on Order) – pollard approximately 50% @ 30 Pound Meadow – Council noted that this application had been submitted in between the meetings and had no further comments to make on the application received.
- vi. Appeal for Barn at Pigeon Lane – the Clerk was asked to ascertain when the hearing for this appeal might be held and whether the Parish Council could be notified of the outcome.

1152. TO RECEIVE URGENT MATTERS COMING FORTH –

- i. Dog Bins – could the Parish Council consider requesting further bins along the River Lark by the Weir? It was agreed that there used to be a bin in the vicinity and the Clerk was asked to enquire of St Edmundsbury as to why it might have been removed.

1153. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Parish Council Meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> March 2017 commencing at 7.30pm.

There being no other business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.00pm.