

Minutes of Planning Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 27th August 2013 at 7:30 p.m. in the Village Hall

Present: Cllrs Brown, Frost, Turner and Whiting (Chairman), one member of the public.

1. **Apologies** for absence - none.

The meeting was then adjourned for the Open Forum, in which item 4(d) was discussed at length.

2. **Minutes** of the last Planning Committee meeting, held on Wednesday 27th February 2013, were read and approved.

3. **Declarations of interest:** none.

4. The Planning Committee considered the following planning applications:

- a) 13/1739/FUL **Tetherdown Whalley Lane**. Retention of front access steps, rear patio and associated works; construction of timber outbuilding; installation of air source heat pump. It was resolved unanimously to respond as follows: "The Parish Council does not object to this application" (proposed Cllr Frost, seconded Cllr Turner).
- b) 13/1748/FUL **Undermead Venlake**. Construction of single storey extensions, external terrace with storage area beneath. It was resolved unanimously to respond as follows: "The Parish Council does not object to this application" (proposed Cllr Turner, seconded Cllr Brown).
- c) 13/1737/FUL **Chestnuts Trinity Hill**. Construction of single storey extensions, external terrace with storage area beneath. Councillors observed the regrettable tendency of people to buy properties with mature trees and then wish to cut them down. It was resolved unanimously to respond as follows: "The Parish Council does not object to this application in principle. However, it questions whether it is really necessary to cut down so many trees, and strongly recommends that the EDDC Tree Officer should be asked both to ensure that trees are not cut down unnecessarily, and that suitable replacement trees (as mentioned in the tree survey) are specified, preferably 3 per mature specimen removed, to preserve the wooded nature of the current setting. (The Council also notes that there may be a covenant protecting the trees, although this is not a planning consideration)" (proposed Cllr Turner, seconded Cllr Frost).
- d) 1/D/13/000972 **Lyme Regis Golf Club, Timber Hill, Lyme Regis**. Landfill with inert material to facilitate improvements to golf driving range and practice area. After a lengthy discussion on the effects this application may have on Harcombe, the Clerk's draft letter, as amended by the Committee, was approved, and it was resolved unanimously to send it to the Environment Director of Dorset CC (proposed Cllr Whiting, seconded Cllr Turner).

- 5. 13/0081/FUL **Land North West of Yawl Hill Lane** Retrospective application for retention of access track (re-submission of application 12/1654/FUL). Mrs Corbin’s correspondence regarding the unavailability of the report that was used to justify the approval of this application was discussed, and it was agreed that the Clerk should write to the EDDC Planning Department complaining, and noting that the decision should have been deferred until it was available.

Signed:..... (Chairman)

Date:

(After the meeting was closed, the issue of milk waste spreading was discussed at length. Waste returned milk is dewatered and that’s apparently what is spread. Doug Parker of the EA had prevented further spreading after the bank holiday owing to the number of odour complaints, and thought that Pattemore’s waste was very much worse than that from other sources. As it was sprayed rather than injected, this compounded the problems.)

Cllr Turner reminded those present that he was away from 3rd September and therefore unavailable for planning papers.