

# BECKLEY PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of a PLANNING MEETING held at Beckley Village Centre on WEDNESDAY 16 NOVEMBER 2016 at 7.30pm

**PRESENT:** Cllrs Christopher Broadbent, Chairman (CB), Mrs. Tina Langmead (TL) and Mike Rowe (MRO).

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Four members of the public.

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**Public Questions** – to allow questions from the public for a period not exceeding 10 minutes.

Mr. Michael Hancock asked why payment for the PC wreath at the War Memorial had not been paid. MRO replied that it had been approved and payment would be made at the next meeting. Mr Hancock then asked about the broken bench at the War Memorial and said the makers had said they would replace it for £80. CB said the PC would consider paying this cost at the next meeting. Mr. Steve Bowler asked if under the Eastlands Farmhouse application the PC could consider requesting that it be tied to the house so it could not in future years be sold separately. CB replied that would be considered in the meeting. Ms Mary Howse asked about the septic tank at the proposed Eastlands Farmhouse development since it had in previous years overflowed onto her land. Mr. Hancock replied that he was sure it would be dealt with in order for that not to happen.

1 **Apologies** received from Cllrs Mrs Lauren Dobson, Rebecca Parsons, Sue Evans and Deborah Ongley.

2 **Declarations of interest.** To receive any disclosures under the Council's Code of Conduct. None.

3 **Planning** – to consider any planning applications received from RDC and other planning matters.

**RR/2016/2568/P - Eastlands Farmhouse, Stoddards Lane, Beckley.** Use of barn/garage as annexe and associated alterations. This was discussed at length. The PC supported the application 3:0 but asked that RDC consider the view held 2:1 in favour that it be tied to the existing curtilage.

**RR/2016/2558/P - The Warehouse, Stoddards Lane.** Demolition of existing dwelling and warehouse. Erection of new dwelling & change of use in part from B8 to residential. This was refused 3:0. Cllrs explained that there was insufficient clarity about a response to the various points RDC had outlined as their reasons for refusal for the prior application, notably the new height of the building and its proposed positioning on the site.

**Planning permission/refusals:-**

**RR/2016/2257/P - 6 Oakhill Cottages, Peasmarsh Road, Beckley.** Erection of replacement dwelling – refused.

4 **Public Questions** – not to exceed 10 minutes. Mr. Bernard Baverstock repeated his point about the risks of consent for building in the countryside because each approval set a precedent which was then used for further applications. Mr. Steve Bowler thanked the village for hosting the Beckley 10k run, and said it had raised a respectable amount of money for the Village Centre.

5 **Matters** councillors would like to be considered as an agenda item for the next meeting. One item was requested – to consider paying for the cost of a replacement bench at the War Memorial, for £80.

**Date of the next Parish Council meeting** Wednesday 14 December 2016. (Cllr Christopher Broadbent apologises but will not be present as he is away on business).

The meeting closed at 8pm.

*The minutes were recorded by Cllr Broadbent.*