

# **WARBOYS PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of a meeting of the **Planning Committee** held on 12th March 2018 at the Parish Centre, Warboys.

## **PRESENT**

Councillor D W England, Vice Chairman in the Chair

Councillors Mrs M P Bucknell, B L Correll, R J Dykstra, Ms L A Gifford, Mrs M H Harlock, P S Potts, Mrs J E Tavener, Dr S C Withams and Mrs A R Wyatt.

## **ALSO IN ATTENDANCE**

District Councillor P L E Bucknell

## **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mrs J M Cole, G B Joseph and G C M Willis and County Councillor T V Rogers.

## **78/17 MINUTES**

Upon being moved by Councillor Dr Withams and seconded by Councillor Ms Gifford, the Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 12th February 2018 were signed as a correct record by the Chairman.

## **79/17 MEMBERS' INTERESTS**

No interests were declared by Members in respect of items appearing on the agenda.

## **80/17 MATTERS ARISING**

There were no matters arising from the Minutes of the Committee's meeting held on 12th February 2018.

## **81/17 DISTRICT COUNCIL DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

The Committee was informed that there were no matters appearing on the agenda for the meeting of the District Council's Development Management Committee to be held on 19th March that affected the Parish.

## **82/17 DETERMINATIONS**

The Committee noted that, since its previous meeting, the following applications had been determined by the District Council:-

## **Approved**

- (a) 17/02382/HHFUL 26 High Street – Replace entrance and drive gates with gates similar to previous gates and remove and replace wooden shed
- (b) 17/02509/HHFUL 35 Ramsey Road – Rear extension to existing residential property.
- (c) 17/02582/HHFUL 24 Goldpits – Single storey rear extension

### **83/17 PROPOSED CHP AND WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANTS AT WARBOYS LANDFILL SITE**

Although the item had been included on the agenda, the Chairman pointed out that this had been dealt with by the discussion at the Council meeting earlier in the evening.

### **84/17 PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT SOUTH OF FARRIERS WAY**

Further to Minute No. 60/17, the Chairman and Clerk reported on a meeting they had attended on 14th February with Bellway Homes and District Council planning officers with regard to the design of the proposed development to the south of Farriers Way.

The meeting had been sought after an earlier meeting with Bellway Homes at which the Parish Council had been dissatisfied with the proposed design of the estate and particularly the location of the open space. The Chairman and Clerk advised that Bellway Homes had maintained that they were providing substantially more open space on the site than required and that its location had been determined by the District Council planners' insistence on a tree belt on the southern boundary to screen the site from long range views. As a result they did not propose to link any of the open space with Jubilee Park to the north to create an enlarged area for public use. Moreover they proposed positioning the sewage pumping station in the north-western corner of the development, immediately adjacent to the boundary with Jubilee Park.

The Chairman and Clerk reported that they had put forward arguments in favour of the linking of the open space with Jubilee Park but that Bellway did not appear particularly sympathetic.

When meeting the County Council's Senior Sustainable Drainage Officer in Warboys, the Chairman reported that he and the Clerk had also taken the opportunity to show her the Bellway site and had pointed out the potential future problems with the drainage of the site into the ditch running between Madecroft and The Smithy which was overgrown with vegetation.

### **85/17 DETERMINATION OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The Clerk reported upon a notification received from the District Council of a change in their delegation arrangements for the determination of planning applications. In future all applications for a single dwelling would be delegated for determination by planning

officers. In addition, applications would only be referred to the District's Development Management Committee if the observations submitted by parish councils contained material planning reasons for their recommendations.

### **86/17 REVIEW OF DISTRICT COUNCIL'S DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

The Parish Council had been invited to comment on a review being undertaken by the District Council of the operation of the latter's Development Management Committee, including the process involved and the location, frequency and starting time of meetings. Those Members who had attended meetings of the Committee expressed their satisfaction with its format and it was therefore

#### **RESOLVED**

that the District Council be informed that the Parish Council has no objection to the present format of meetings of their Development Management Committee.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared closed.

**Chairman.**