

WARBOYS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the **Planning Committee** held on 17th April 2023 at the Parish Centre, Warboys.

PRESENT

Councillor G C M Willis, Chairman

Councillors Mrs J M Cole, R J Dykstra, D W England, D R A Fabb, Ms L A Gifford, J Land, J A Parker, P S Potts, Mrs C L Sproats and Dr S C Withams.

APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Ms M L Morrow, Mrs S J Wilcox and Mrs A R Wyatt, County Councillor S J Corney and District Councillor Mrs A E Costello.

82/22 MINUTES

Upon being moved by Councillor Dr Withams and seconded by Councillor Dykstra, the Minutes of the meetings of the Committee held on 13th and 15th February 2023 were signed as a correct record by the Chairman.

83/22 MEMBERS' INTERESTS

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

84/22 MATTERS ARISING

The Committee noted that there were no matters arising from the Minutes of the meetings held on 13th and 15th February 2023. However, updates were provided with regard to two items that had been discussed frequently at recent meetings of the Committee.

(a) 66 High Street

Members were informed by the Chairman that the owner of 66 High Street had contacted the Council to advise that, after two unsuccessful attempts to obtain planning permission, he had sold the main building and former bakehouse at 66 High Street. The land at the rear had been retained and would be the subject of a separate application for planning permission. At the former owner's invitation, the Chairman reported that he had visited the property and could confirm that the former shopfittings remained on site.

(b) Proposed Development at Station Road

The Clerk reported that he had submitted a request under the Freedom of Information Act in February, asking the District Council to supply copies of any

pre-application advice that had been given by the Planning Division prior to the application for planning permission being submitted by the Longhirst Group. As a reply had not been received within the statutory 20 working days timescale, a reminder had been sent to the District Council, together a second reminder a warning that if a reply had not been received within a further later 7 days,, constaining he matter would be referred to the Information Commissioner's Office.

In the continuing absence of a reply, it was

RESOLVED

that a complaint be submitted to the Information Commissioner's Office in respect of the District Council's failure to respond within under the Act.

85/22 DISTRICT COUNCIL DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PANEL

The Committee was informed that there were no matters on the agenda for the meeting of the District Council's Development Management Panel to be held on 17th April 2023 that affected the Parish.

The Clerk also reported that the application for development at Envar Composting Ltd at Somersham (application CCC/21/088/FUL) which the Parish Council had recommended for refusal would be considered at a meeting of the County Council's Planning Committee on 19th April. Having discussed the situation with the Chairman, the Clerk reported that it had been considered that it would not be necessary for the Parish Council to be represented at the meeting

86/22 APPLICATIONS

The Committee considered the following application for planning permission, arising from which it was

RESOLVED

that the following observations be submitted to the District Council:-

- (a) **23/00525/HHFUL 88 Ramsey Road – Proposed replacement roof to existing conservatory**

that the District Council be recommended to approve the application on the grounds that the application does not conflict with the policies contained in the Development Plan

87/22 DETERMINATIONS

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

Disposed

- (a) 20/01079/FUL Abbott, Heath Road – Demolition of existing house and replacement with a detached house.

Approved

- (b) 22/01911/FUL 21A Mill Green – Part change of use of vacant Retail E(a) to a hot food takeaway (sui generis) with the installation of an extract duct at the rear of the building, refurbishment of the interior and of the shopfront.

88/22 HUNTINGDONSHIRE LOCAL PLAN

Members noted that the District Council had embarked on a full update of the Huntingdonshire Local Plan to 2036. As part of that process, they had published the following documents for consultation-

Draft Settlement Hierarchy Methodology
Draft Land Availability Assessment Methodology
Call for Sites Spring 2023

The Clerk advised that this was likely to be a lengthy process before the updated Plan was approved and that the Council would be invited to comment at various stages in the preparation of the Plan for subsequent adoption.

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

Chairman.