



MINUTES

Meeting: PLANNING

Date: 16th January 2017

Time: 6.45pm

Venue: North Weald Library, High Road, North Weald.

PRESENT:

Councillors: (10) B Clegg (Chairman), B Bartram, C Hawkins, B Eldridge, R Spearman
Mrs S Jackman MBE, T Blanks, A Buckley, E Godwin Brown,
G Mulliner

Officers in Attendance (2)

Susan De Luca – Clerk to the Council

Adriana Jones – Principal Financial & Administrative Officer

Members of the Public (1)

Members of the Press (1)

P16.132 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (4)

NOTED that apologies for absence had been received from Cllr Tyler. Apologies had also been received from Cllrs Grigg, Stallan and Bedford, however they are not part of the Committee.

P16.133 OTHER ABSENCES (0)

No Other Apologies necessary.

P16.134 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest.

P16.135 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held 19th December 2016 had been circulated these and were confirmed as a true record by Members.

P16.136 REPRESENTATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

There was one member of the public present who made representation regarding a District Council Application in relation to an application at Woodside Industrial Estate.

The Clerk advised Members that this application was on the Agenda on the Plans East Agenda for this Wednesday and that it had also been discussed at the December Plans East. She further advised Members that the Parish Council had submitted a very concise Objection which had been detailed on both of these Agendas and after reviewing the application the Clerk that there had been nothing else that could be added to the Objection. Added to this the Clerk was not available to attend that meeting, due to a prior personal engagement, and neither was the Principal Financial Officer.

The Member of the public mentioned about the additional issues that she feels the Parish Councils original response did not include, which were utilitarian buildings, the Thornwood Village Design Statement and Policy DBE4 and the NPPF which both refer to limited infill on Brownfield sites in the Green Belt. She stated that this area has green open spaces on the site with 2 storey buildings. And there will be 5 new buildings containing 36 additional units, she also stated that this application had differences. The Clerk referred Members back to the Plans East Agenda and reiterated that this was not a different application and was the same as the application for which comments from the Parish Council were asked for originally, and doesn't feel that the PC can add anything further. The Clerk advised Members that the Member of Public had come along on Thursday last week and had been helped quite considerably, she had been giving a lot of

advice including that the Thornwood Design Statement was not Planning Policy, and that the area was detailed in the Draft Local Plan as being for Employment Use– which may, unfortunately, carry some weight with some Councillors at District when determining the application, however the Member of Public had wanted the Parish Council to include these two issues in an updated objection and the Clerk had felt that they were inappropriate at the current time.

The Principal Financial Officer had given the Member of the Public a vast array of different documents relating to currently planning law to take away and review that day, which it was believed would help her in her quest. She also asked for details of Thornwood Action Group – and Cllr Baden Clegg’s details (as the contact for the group) were given to her in the Councils Information Leaflet.

Cllr Blanks asked a - technical questions -does infil refer to industrial sites as well as housing sites. The answer was Yes. Cllr Blanks responded with “Sounds like we have done all we can.” Cllr Jackman asked how many residents were attending - - she was advised by the Member of public that only her – Cllr Jackman then advised that it needs residents views, especially if there was great concern. The Member of public said she had previously attended, and there were councillors present representing other parish councils. The Clerk advised Members that as they well know this Council often attends Plans East and District Development when they have addition items to add to Planning Objections or when more weight is needed, however this not the case on this particular occasion, the Member of the public said it was felt poor on Thornwood as there wasn't anybody to represent them. Cllr Spearman reiterated the fact that - our district councillors are fully aware of what we have said and that carries weight. The Member of public said as an outside person looking in, its looks bad on the parish council as there wasn't a representative there she also said nobody is aware who Thornwood action group are, Cllr Clegg advised that that was utter nonsense. Cllr Godwin Brown said not enough residents have come out and said their view. Cllr Godwin Brown advised that District Cllr Holly Whitbread is going to Plans East, and is very aware of concern that residents have. Cllr Clegg advised that he hoped that Thornwood Action the residents association will also hopefully be there. And that they - Thornwood residents association are very active.

The Clerk reminded Members if they wished to attend Plans East they could do this, but to please advise the Clerk if they wished to speak as she would need to register this with District, by 2pm tomorrow.

P16.137 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following comments on Planning Applications were **AGREED**:

No	Application Number	Location	Proposal
1	EPF/3026/16 <i>James Rogers</i>	28 Princes Close North Weald <i>Mrs Carol Christine Hambleton</i>	Two storey side extension.
The Parish Council has NO OBJECTION to this Application			
2	EPF/3132/16 <i>Sukhvinder Dhadwar</i>	18 Rowley Mead North Weald Bassett <i>Mr & Mrs Andy & Clare Cooper</i>	Single storey front extension including garage conversion.
The Parish Council has NO OBJECTION to this Application			
3	EPF/3067/16 <i>Graham Courtney</i>	Threeways Foster Street North Weald <i>Mr Neil Pretious</i>	Erection of a Car Port within the front garden of the existing property.
The Parish Council has NO OBJECTION to this Application			
4	EPF/3079/16 <i>Corey Isolda</i>	Savannah High Road Thornwood	Amended Plans/Application/Description Four Dormer windows to roof of existing garage.
The Parish Council OBJECTS to this Application due to it being visually intrusive and out of character and out of keeping with the Street Scene.			

b) Applications received for **information only** where comments are not normally accepted:

1	EPF/3238/16 DRC <i>Graham Courtney</i>	The Carpenters High Road	Application for approval of details reserved by condition 3 'materials', 5
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		Thornwood Mr George Paraskeva	'hard and soft landscaping' and 6 'tree protection' on planning application EPF/1616/16 (Demolition of existing building and erection of terrace of 3 no three bedroom dwellings).
The Parish Council NOTES this Application			
2	EPF/3241/16 DRC Jane Gravelle	The Carpenters High Road Thornwood Mr George Paraskeva	Application for approval of details reserved by condition 12 'contaminated land phase 1' on planning application EPF/1616/16 (Demolition of existing building and erection of terrace of 3 no three bedroom dwellings).
The Parish Council NOTES this Application			

c) To **CONSIDER** any other **urgent** planning applications received since the agenda was prepared. None Received.

P16.138 DECISIONS BY EPPING FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL

None received.

P16.139 EFDC LICENCES

None Received.

P16.140 PLANNING CORRESPONDENCE

Appeal

Application No: EPF/0718/16

Location: Debbies Garden Centre

Applicant Name: Mr N White

Riddings Lane

Officer: Jill Shingler

Harlow

Essex CM18 7HT

Details of Appeal: Outline Application (all matters reserved) for between 45 and 80 dwellings.

Reason for Appeal: Against a Refusal

Appeal Type: Written Representations

Members **NOTED** this Appeal. No Action Necessary.

P16.141 ANY OTHER MATTERS RELATING TO PLANNING

The Clerk was asked to **CONFIRM** that the site at the M11 Roundabout had actually been removed from the waste plan by getting written confirmation from Essex County Council regarding the Replacement Waste Local Plan – Modifications consultation. These details had been difficult to confirm.

Meeting Closed: 19.16.

Signed Date