

SALTFORD PARISH COUNCIL PLANNING COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held at Saltford Hall, Wedmore Road, Saltford 18 February 2014 at 7.15pm

PRESENT: Councillors Kevin Reeves (Chair), Reg Williams (Vice-Chair), Harvey Haeberling, Rob King and Jill Williams

Officer Tricia Golinski

1. MINUTES

The minutes of the Planning Matters section of the Parish Council meeting held on 4 February 2014 were confirmed as a correct record.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Kim Johnson.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations were made.

4. PUBLIC TIME

There were no members of the public present.

5. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chair made the following announcements:

- A response has been received from B&NES to the Parish Council's Placemaking Plan submission. The response was complimentary about the presentation of the submission, and requested further details on community assets. The Placemaking Plan Working Group will address this request and take its recommendations to the full Council.
- B&NES announced the winners of its Building Control Awards, which included a domestic extension at Copperlea, Mead Lane, Saltford, as a winner for building quality and design quality.

6. NEW PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Committee considered the following planning application in respect of which Bath & North East Somerset (B&NES) Council had invited comments:

14/00268/FUL - 556 Bath Road - Construction of permeable surfaced driveway and alterations to ground levels of front garden - Mr S Birchall

It was resolved that B&NES Council be advised this Council **comments on** this application: We would ask that checks are made on the suitability of the

permeable surface in the environment in which it is being deployed, and into the management of groundwater beneath the permeable surface.

7. DECISIONS

The Clerk reported the following applications which had been PERMITTED with conditions by B&NES Council:

13/05490/FUL - 44 Claverton Road - Erection of single storey side extension and two storey rear extension following demolition of existing porch and conservatory - Mr & Mrs N Sparey

13/05509/FUL - 28 Beresford Close - Erection of single storey extension following demolition of existing single storey extension - Mr & Mrs L Gerrard

8. POSSIBLE CONTRAVENTIONS

The Chair gave the following update on matters which have been referred to B&NES Council regarding possible contraventions of planning controls:

10/00632 (formerly 08/00677) – B&NES had asked whether the Parish Council has any knowledge of whether the site is still occupied. The Committee agreed that it does not appear to be occupied and no building work is going on. B&NES are to be informed of this and asked what action they will take now.

08/00651, 11/00366 and 11/00513 – Cllrs Kevin Reeves and Reg Williams met with B&NES planning enforcement officers to discuss this matter. The key issue is whether there has been a material change of use, and evidence would be needed of permanent occupation. B&NES has asked the Parish Council for any historical documentation that would provide evidence, and to identify which site(s) to focus on. Cllr Kevin Reeves is to let B&NES know which are the priority sites.

SPC 201201 – No response has been received from B&NES Highways and a further request for a response will be sent.

13/00444/UNDEV – A planning application for the works was considered at this meeting and the Committee agreed to await B&NES' decision on this application.

13/00542/LBWORK – A planning application for the works was considered at the February Parish Council meeting and the Committee agreed to await B&NES' decision on this application.

14/00023/UNDEV – A planning application to retain the changes is awaited.

Cllr Rob King queried whether two A-boards on the pavement was a planning contravention, and Cllr Kevin Reeves is to look into this.

9. ITEMS OF URGENT INFORMATION

No items were reported.

The meeting closed at 8.17 pm.

DATE OF NEXT PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING: 18 March 2014

DATE OF NEXT COUNCIL MEETING: 4 March 2014

Chairman.....

Date confirmed and signed.....