Kings Worthy Parish Council

PLANNING and HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Meeting held on Friday 03 January 2014 at the Kings Worthy Community Centre, Fraser Road, Kings Worthy

Present: Councillors: Ian Gordon [Chairman]

Phil Allen

Stewart Newell Martin Taylor Sarah White

Clerk: The Chairman Acted as the Clerk for this

Meeting

Public: 2

The meeting commenced at 6 pm.

P/14/01 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Denis Welstead.

P/14/02 Public Question Time

Mr A & Mrs P Dowland attended the meeting to express their concerns with regard to the planning application 13/02651/FUL. Mr Dowland stated that he lived at no 7 which lies to the below the area to be developed. His objection was that the proposed development would overlook his property and affect his amenities, especially if the present hedge/trees which are some 10ft were to be trimmed back or taken out. He stated there was also a need to ensure that there are restrictions on the hours of work on the site and that they are enforced. He said that there appeared to be a need for a large amount of ground work in an attempt to reduce the building height to make it in keeping with surrounding properties.

P/14/03 To Consider the following Planning Applications

13/02651/FUL Half Acre 3 Nations Hill

Councillors made the following comments; it could be argued that it is difficult to object to any development on this site, however it is felt that the height of the roof line is are high.

There were also concerns on the access as Boyne Mead Road is too narrow to allow reasonable access to the site for the type and size of traffic accessing the site. Other comments were that this size of development was overdevelopment in this area, similarly there was a need to restrict noise on the site during any building works. Finally there is a need to restrict building adjacent to the boundary of the site as this will affect a tree in the corner of a neighbouring garden (no. 9) which is protected. Councillors agreed that the chair speak to the case officer and to report back by email if necessary.

13/02620/FUL Hazeldene Stoke Charity Road.

Councillors found discussion difficult on this property as there was a lack of information on the City Council website for the general public to make reasonable comments on this application. It was noted that this application was described as a chalet style property, however councillors felt that this was not an accurate description of this proposal. e.g. there were no elevations shown on the City Councils website as shown in the plans. The main concerns were the proposed height of the property and its closeness to the main line Winchester to Waterloo railway. Councillors agreed that the chair speak to the case officer and to report back by email if necessary

13/02617/FUL 5 Court Road

Councillors expressed concern over this development and felt that the application should be rejected on the grounds of access and lack of amenities. Whilst there was great emphasis on the application with regards to the access and parking facilities, it was clear that this will be a problem. There is a lack of parking on the road outside the property due to the width. It is clear that to park outside the property would necessitate part parking on the pavement to allow access to the emergency services. Whilst family arrangements could be made at the present Councillors felt that this could cause problems at a later stage if one or the two properties were sold. It was felt that this application should be rejected and that if the case officer was of a mind to approve the application then the Parish Council would request that the application be taken before the City Council Planning Committee.

P/14/04 Any Other Business

Cllr Taylor made reference to a SDNP (South Downs National Park) application that he had noted on their website that referred to the removal of a spruce tree at Point Seven. Councillors considered this application and noted that this was close to a protected Cherry Tree, it appeared that the spruce was of no significance and to remove the spruce tree would be an advantage to the Cherry Tree.

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