

**DRAFT Minutes of the meeting of Dodford with Grafton Planning Committee
held on 17 December 2019 at 7.30pm**

Present: Cllrs Rachel Jennings (Planning Committee Chairman), Lynne Griffin, Rory Lydon and Alwyn Rea

In attendance – Clerk Kay Stone and four members of the public

1. Apologies for absence

Cllrs Jonathan Shapiro and Scottie Sanderson

2. Declarations of interest

- i. None
- ii. None

At this point the Chairman opened the meeting to residents present to express their views on items on the agenda. Councillors listened to their concerns which were relevant to 3.i. but had to remind those speaking to keep their comments factual, without supposition and polite. The Chairman continued the planning meeting as follows:

3. To consider planning application consultations received:

- i. **19/01349CPL – Tiggy Winkles, Bumble Hole Lane** – Change of use of 15m x 10m glasshouse from Agricultural to A3, Restaurant and café.

During the planning committee members discussion on this application, members of the public had to be asked to refrain from their continuous interruptions with the Chairman telling them they would be asked to leave if they persisted in disrupting the meeting.

The Clerk to write direct to Sharron Williams, Bromsgrove District Council (BDC) Planning Officer to thank her for bringing this planning application to their attention however the Parish Council note in her email to District Cllr Drew Beaumont that it is up to her and her colleagues to investigate and to come to the conclusion as to whether this is Permitted Development under the law. The Parish Council has noted residents' concerns which have been brought to the Parish Council's attention which residents have also sent to the Planning Officer direct. The Parish Council would respectfully ask her to be mindful of the views expressed by Worcestershire County Council (WCC) Highways in the previous application as these are also of concern to the Parish Council.

- ii. **1901517/LBC – Great Meadow, Victoria Road** – Listed building consent for replacement of non-original rotting north-east side

The Parish Council has no objection if the conservation officer is happy with these modifications in the Conservation Area.

4. To consider planning appeals received

None received.

5. To note planning or appeal decisions received

None received.

6. Enforcement/Environmental issues

Following on from the official complaint to BDC Planning Department, after discussion it was agreed to recommend to the full Parish Council at the January meeting that they meet with Ruth Bamford, Head of BDC Planning Department as invited by her. The Clerk to write to Ruth Bamford thanking her for her actions in response to the Parish Council's official complaint and if the full Parish Council

agree to meeting with her at their January meeting, then the Clerk will be back in touch with Ruth Bamford to arrange a mutually convenient date. In the meantime, the planning committee would like to know who will chair this meeting and will someone from the legal team be attending to ensure this is in line with official complaints procedure.

7. Any other planning issues

- i. Cllr Rea attended the CALC area meeting on 11 December and wished to bring to the planning committee's attention Bentley and Pauncefoot Parish Council where BDC have approved the planning application for 2.5k new houses in the parish even though the Parish Council raised objections. Whilst the houses are within Bromsgrove, they will be used against the Redditch quota. Cllr Rea to report on this at the full Parish Council meeting in January.
- ii. Land SW of Saltbay Farm planning application will be brought before BDC Planning Committee on 3 February 2020 once the applicant has submitted updated plans. The Parish Council will delay preparing their three-minute speech to the BDC Planning Committee until they have seen the updated plans. In the meantime, the Clerk was instructed to write to Cllr Beaumont to say how much they appreciate his email updates and efforts with this application. The Clerk confirmed that Belbroughton and Fairfield Parish Council and Bournheath Parish Council have sent their objections to this application to BDC.

The meeting closed at 8.47pm.

Signed..... Chairman