

Parish Council of Alfrick and Lulsley

Minutes of the Extra-Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council on 26th August 2014 at 19:00hrs in the Village Hall, Alfrick.

Present:

Cllr Miss L Randall, Chair,
Mrs D Jammal, Mrs C Williams,
Messrs: P Brown, A G Cooper, A J Crockford, B Fishwick, G Lowe, B Martin, G M Brewin (Clerk)

24 members of the public attending

Public Question Time prior to the formal meeting;

Prior to the formal meeting parishioners were invited to raise matters regarding the Housing Developments proposed at Clay Green Farm and Folly Road Alfrick.

Opening the period for public questions the Chair, Councillor Louise Randall, made a brief presentation of the findings of the advisory group which had been studying these planning applications. She said that the council would be considering their recommendations during the formal meeting but if there were any points that the members of the public would like to raise now is an opportunity to do so.

There followed a series of brief discussions on various points. However nothing arose that was contrary to the recommendations of the advisory group.

Subsequently the formal meeting started at 7:45 pm

Agenda

1.

Members' apologies for absence

All members were present

2.

Declarations of Interest in the agenda.

Cllrs A Cooper and B Martin declared personal interests in agenda items 3 & 4

3.

Consider the council's formal response to MHDC ref. Planning Application 14/00894/OUT Housing Developments at Clay Green Farm Alfrick. Outline application with all matters reserved (except for access) for a residential development comprising 23 dwellings, including 9 affordable dwellings, with associated access (via existing access) and car parking, and on-site biodiversity and SuDS area.

Following a wide-ranging discussion, on the proposal of Cllr A Cooper the council agreed unanimously to accept the recommendations of the Informal Advisory Group and recommend refusal of the application.

(For the Group's recommendations – see appendix -a)

4.

Consider the council's formal response to MHDC ref. Planning Application 14/00950/OUT for 4 dwellings (2 single storey, and 2 two storey) with access from Folly Road at (Os 7489 5333), Folly Road, Alfrick,

Following a brief discussion, on the proposal of the Chair the council agreed unanimously to accept the recommendations of the Informal Advisory Group and recommend refusal of the application.

(For the Group's recommendations – see appendix -b)

It was also noted that Application No: MH 01/00479 made in 2001 for the conversion of an oast house and two barns at Folly Farm into 3 dwellings was granted (letter of 22nd November 2001) subject to the applicant carrying out improvements at the junction of Folly Lane and the C2065.

The applicable paragraph reads:

'Prior to the commencement of works hereby approved, the passing bay to Folly Lane and the improvements to the junction of the C2065 with Folly lane shall be carried out in full accordance with the details hereby approved to the satisfaction of the Local Planning Authority, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority.
Reason: In the interests of highway safety'

In the event the applicant declined to make the improvements to the junction that were required and the planning consent for three dwellings was withdrawn and replaced by consent for one dwelling but without the requirement to improve the passing bay and Folly Lane/C2065 Junction.

It was considered that unless the District Council is prepared to overturn its decision In 2001 there is no point in proceeding any further with these two applications.

The clerk was asked to take up this matter separately with the Head of Development Control, MHDC.

The meeting closed at 8:36pm.

Minutes confirmed

16/09/2014