

**DRAFT Minutes of the meeting of Dodford with Grafton Planning Committee
held on 6 March 2023 at 7.30pm in Dodford Village Hall, Priory Road**

Present: Cllrs Scott Fuller, Lynne Griffin, Rory Lydon (Vice Chairman), Rachel Jennings (Chair), and Jonathan Shapiro

In attendance – Clerk Kay Stone and one member of the public

1. Apologies for absence

Cllr Scottie Sanderson

2. Declarations of interest

- i. None
- ii. Cllr Jennings for item 7ii

3. To consider planning appeal consultations received - None.

4. To note any planning decisions and appeal decisions received

- i. Refusal by Bromsgrove District Council (BDC) for the change of use of egg grading building to three one-bedroom dwellings at Hill Top Poultry Farm, Warbage Lane.
- ii. Refusal by BDC for a proposed two storey extension to rear of existing dwelling to provide space for new mobility lift at Hillview, Victoria Road

5. Enforcement/Environmental issues

Acknowledgement of complaint already under investigation has been received from BDC for the fence and new access onto Priory Road at Sumach which now includes the third access on to Priory Road (23/00026/INV). The Parish Council has concerns about the soil waste that has been tipped at Sumach and would like reassurance from BDC that the soil has been tested and what the evidence is. A resident has reported run off into the stream during heavy weather.

7. Any other planning issues

- i. The Parish Council has received notification from a company wishing to install solar panels at Foxwalks Farm. The company are holding an online presentation about the project which Cllr Fuller and the Clerk are hoping to join. It was agreed to wait until the planning application is submitted and the Parish Council are consulted before making comment.
- ii. The Chair and Clerk are arranging a meeting with Ruth Bamford, Head of Planning at BDC but a mutual date cannot be agreed.

8. To consider planning application consultations:

- i. **23/00162/FUL – 2 Malvern View Cottages, Whinfield Road** – Single storey extension and dormer window.
The Parish Council has no objection.

At this point Cllr Jennings left the meeting and Cllr Lydon took the Chair.

- ii. **22/00694/FUL – The Millstone, Woodland Road** – Stable block in paddock.
The Parish Council has no objection. However, should the District Council be minded to approve the application, the Parish Council would like to request a full ecological survey be carried out for crested newts and bats. The Parish Council has concerns that there could be a bat corridor being so close to High Wood. The Parish Council would also draw the planning officers attention to the Bromsgrove District Council High Quality Design SPD regarding equestrian developments and light pollution (item 6.4.7).

The meeting closed at 8.20pm

Signed..... Vice Chairman