**Minutes of a Planning Meeting held at Broadwas Village Hall on 14.12.2015**

**Present:**

Geoff Winkworth (Chair), Kenneth Downes, Robert Pearce, Eric Dale, Chris White and Adrian Priddey. Councillor Downes took the minutes.

There were approximately 10 members of the public present.

**Apologies**. Mrs. Downes was unavoidably detained on other business.

**Declarations of interest.**

Councillor Pearce for 15/01253/OUT and 15/01561/FUL

Councillor White for 15/01561/FUL

**Grant of Dispensation Requests.** None

**Public Participation.** See notes below.

The Chair reminded those present that there are no meetings scheduled for August and December in any one year so this meeting had been called to consider these 3 applications that needed a response before the next scheduled meeting in January 2016

**5 Planning**.

Not all Councillors were familiar with the first 2 sites, therefore, it was decided that both 15/01521/FUL and 15/01253/OUT required site visits. These were arranged for 3pm on 14.12.2015. Councillors Winkworth, Downes, Pearce, Dale and the Clerk attended.

**15/01521/FUL**-Messrs. Rogers, Mrs. Francis and Mrs. Burgoyne of Rivendale, Lightwood Lane, Cotheridge, Worcester WR6 5LT for ‘proposed re-alignment of part of existing driveway to Rivendale and change of use of land to provide additional domestic garden for Walnut Cottage. Date of return is 30.11.2015 however the Clerk had agreed with Anna Priestley, Panning Officer to reply no later than 15.12.2015. Response:

*The Parish Council would have no objection to this application provided that:*

*1)   The new driveway would be exclusively for the use of domestic traffic to and from Rivendale.*

*2)   The change of use to garden would be in perpetuity and would be specific to exclude any future developments.*

*3)   Hedgerows would be re-instated and maintained to accommodate the varied bird population presently in situ.*

*4)   Adequate drainage is installed so as not to exacerbate existing problems with surface water.*

**15/01253/OUT** Mr. Paul Ashcroft of land at Church Lane, Broadwas, Worcester WR6 5NQ for ‘proposed detached dormer bungalow and associated garage utilizing existing access within curtilage of No 7 Broadwas Court together with new detached single garage and access to serve No7 Broadwas Court’. Date of return is 26.11.2015 however the Clerk had agreed with Ian Hiscock, Planning Officer to reply no later than 15.12.2015*. Response: No objection*.

**15/01561/FUL** St. Leonards Church PCC for St. Leonards Church, Church Lane, Cotheridge for ‘installation of rooflights to new kitchen area, new trench arch drainage and new access ramp. *Response: Approval recommended*

**Public Participation**:

Mr. Kelly of Northways, Cotheridge (adjacent to Rivendale) wondered whether the Parish Council had received any information regarding the Government’s encouragement to maintain hedgerows. The Chair re-iterated that it was not within the Parish Council’s remit to police concerns of Statutory Agencies, ie Natural England.

Mr. Haynes enquired whether the Parish Council had any further information on Lightwood Farm and the Chairman there was none at this stage but it was continuing to monitor the situation. Mr. Kelly opined that the situation is worse than before, with more rubble being delivered by 10-15 lorries per hour by Pencroft contractors.

The meeting ended at 8.30 pm.

Chairman…………………………………………………..date……………………………