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MINUTES OF PLANNING, HIGHWAYS & LICENSING COMMITTEE MEETING OF CURDRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT 7 PM, ON THURSDAY, 2 NOVEMBER 2023

Present:

Cllr Paul Haskins (Chairman) Cllr Eric Bodger Cllr Larry Burden

Cllr Jonathan Carkeet

Cllr Philip Hedger

In attendance:

Jenny Whittle (Parish Council Manager - PCM)

Public Session

There were no matters arising.

P23.5 To receive apologies for absence

Apologies had been received from Cllr Lynne Newton and Cllr Sian Townsend.

P23.6 Declarations of Interest

Cllr Haskins declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 23.7.4, as the applicant is his immediate neighbour.

P23.7 Planning Applications received from Winchester City Council, Eastleigh Borough Council, Hampshire County Council or the River Hamble Harbour Authority for decision/response

<u>P23.7.1</u> 6 Kitnocks Farm Cottage Outlands Lane Curdridge Southampton Hampshire SO30 2HD - Single Storey Rear Extension. Case Officer: Cameron Taylor. Case No: 23/02266/HOU. The Chair introduced this application; the PCM read out update email from the applicant regarding their proposed relocation of fire/flue.

Resolved TO OBJECT, but Council wished for it to be noted that Council's sole objection is to the current proposed height and positioning of the flue (and wood burner). ACTION: PCM.

<u>P23.7.2</u> Eastleigh Borough Council - Application No: F/23/96256 - Address: Land adjacent to Boorley Park Primary School,, Botley, SO32 2SH - Description: erect a single storey children\'s nursery with off road car parking (revised scheme).

Cllr Bodger advised Members that Council had previously objected to the original development on the grounds that the road (and access) is too dangerous.

Resolved TO OBJECT on the grounds the access road is too narrow to deal with two-way traffic and puts pedestrians accessing these facilities at risk and limits access for emergency vehicles. **ACTION: PCM.**

<u>P.23.7.3</u> Land To The North West Side Of Botley Road Curdridge Hampshire - Erection of a building to store a tractor and hay, extension to existing access hardstanding and new track to building, fencing and new entrance gates. Case Officer: Liz Young. Case No: 23/02173/FUL. The Chair introduced this application; he had concerns in relation to the increased access and traffic onto an already busy and dangerous road. Members also felt the fencing was unacceptable and the barn excessive.

Resolved TO OBJECT on the basis of adverse impact on street scene (close board fencing is not in keeping with the natural hedgerows within locality); the scale of the proposed building is also too large and adversely impacts this countryside setting. ACTION: PCM.

P.23.7.4 Curdridge Hill Lockhams Road Curdridge Southampton Hampshire SO32 2BD - Single storey side extension. Case Officer: Cameron Taylor. Case No: 23/02189/HOU.

Cllr Bodger took over as Chair in conjunction with Cllr Haskin's declaration of interest.

The applicant advised that he has shared ownership of this property with his parents who may shortly require to reside at the property with them and their five children; the proposed alterations will help to accommodate everyone.

Cllr Haskins advised Members that he does not object to this application, but wishes for the applicant to ensure that the proposed addition remains in keeping with the northern aspect and uses materials that match. He said the cellars of both properties flooded in 2010 due to a natural spring being located under Curdridge Hill House. Therefore the applicant needs to ensure that any drainage associated with this development is situated away from the property to the West, rather than near Romanby and that Romanby's services (such as the gas pipe) are not affected. Cllr Carkeet felt that although not listed the property has historic merit and should be developed sympathetically.

Resolved DO NOT OBJECT, subject to a condition being attached to any planning permission granted stipulating that the materials used for this extension will be in keeping with the current northern aspect of the property and any associated drainage is situated away from Romanby to the west of Curdridge Hill/Romanby. ACTION: PCM.

P.23.8 Curdridge Parish Council Vision Statement Public Consultation Meetings (Saturday 28 October 2023 – 9.30-11.30am and Monday, 13 November 2023 – 6.30-8.30pm)

Cllr Carkeet provided Members with the following written update:

"The first consultation event, facilitated by the Parish Council on the future vision for the village was held on Saturday 28th October at the Reading Rooms. The event had been publicised with invitations issued to all households in Curdridge and Curbridge and was well supported. A second consultation event is being run on Monday 13th November at 18.30. For those who are unable to attend the events a website has been published which provides a questionnaire. The outcome of these events and the questionnaire will be published in the New Year."

P.23.9 Planning, Highways & Licensing Correspondence

P.23.9.1 HCC - Letters for Parish and Town Councils regarding overgrown vegetation and ditch clearance

Members noted this correspondence and discussed localities that were problematic.

Resolved that Cllr Bodger will provide the PCM with addresses of properties in Vicarage Lane where hedges encroached onto the highway. Cllr Burden will provide the PCM with the address of the property in the Plantation whose hedge encroaches badly onto the highway. Members would notify Council/PCM of other addresses as they arise. ACTION: ALL.

P23.9.2 Silverlake proposed development public consultation meeting 16 November. Members discussed this correspondence.

It was agreed that:

- i) Full Council Meeting on 16 November 2023 will commence at 7.30pm to allow Members to attend this public consultation meeting. **ACTION: PCM.**
- ii) PCM will write to Shedfield Parish Council to notify them that Members will be attending this public consultation meeting and that CPC's Chair would be happy to liaise with their Chair regarding this proposed development, should he wish. **ACTION: PCM.**
- iii) Members will liaise following this consultation meeting to discuss and decide upon Council's proposed action (if applicable). **ACTION: ALL.**

P.23.9.3 Cricketer Pond renovation – Cllrs Carkeet had been approached by a resident notifying him that the flooding in Calcot Lane appears worse than usual due to the pond infilling carried out

and that during extreme cold weather this could be very dangerous for drivers/pedestrians due to black ice being able to form on Calcot Lane near the Botley Road junction.

Cllr Haskins advised that during September a council working party moved silt that was deposited in the middle of the village pond towards the surrounding banks, to create a deeper pond for rain water and reinforce the lower banks which are submerged. The banks were then extensively planted with natural 'pond dwelling plants'. The top of these banks are approximately 4 feet below the level of the road carriageways that surround the village pond. Therefore no drainage into or out of the pond was either created or reduced by this work.

<u>UPDATE:</u> Cllr Townsend who is also on the Cricketers Pond Working Party was not present at this meeting but wished for it to be noted that this work would have absolutely no impact on the road flooding. She advised the working party were trying to minimise the impact of the 'road run off' into the pond, in order that it did not kill off the pond life from the pollution from the 'road run off' and that they are trying to gain back to make our village pond back to its former glory, as it was before Hampshire Highways cut the gully into the pond; she referred to HCC Highways letter sent to CPC in which nowhere does it state that a gully can be dug directly into a pond or water course. Road Run off must be directed to a ditch.

It was agreed that Members will monitor the flooding in Calcot Lane during wet weather conditions to ensure that highway safety is maintained at all times. **ACTION: ALL.**

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 8.03PM.