

HUNTON PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE PLANNING MEETING
HELD ON TUESDAY 4TH OCTOBER 2016 AT 7:30PM
AT HUNTON VILLAGE HALL

PRESENT: Cllr G Thomas in the Chair, Cllrs T Stanbridge, D Heaton, A Trought and J Goddard and Mrs S Goodwin, Clerk.

IN ATTENDANCE: There were two members of the public in attendance until the end of the Open Session.

OPEN SESSION:

In the Open Session, prior to the start of the meeting, two members of the public asked to speak about the planning application to be discussed in Item 5.3. Permission given under appeal in 2002 allowed change of use from agricultural to residential and agricultural, but there is evidence that the residents have been living in Green Barn prior to 2002. Application 16/506436/FULL seeks to allow three extra mobile homes for the children of the applicants to reside in, but it is understood that they are not travellers and do not lead a nomadic way of life.

Cllr Thomas stated that government legislation requires travellers to lead a nomadic lifestyle and although the applicants may want their children to reside on the site, policy does not allow it. The site is also not 2ha in size as stated in the application and additional mobile homes would result in over intensive use of the site.

1. APOLOGIES

There were no apologies for absence.

2. FILMING AND RECORDING

No members of the public expressed a wish to present to film, record or photograph the meeting.

3. COUNCILLOR DECLARATIONS

3.1 Declaration of Interests

There were no councillor declarations.

3.2 Dispensations

There were no requests for dispensations.

4. MINUTES OF THE PLANNING MEETING HELD ON 6TH SEPTEMBER 2016

The minutes of the meeting had been previously distributed and were agreed to be an accurate record. The Chairman signed the official copy of the minutes.

5. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following applications were considered and recommendations made:

5.1 The Bishops Cottage, Bishops Lane – 16/506813/FULL

Erection of a single storey rear garden room.
Parish Council recommendation: Approve.

- 5.2 The Bishops Cottage, Bishops Lane – 16/506814/FULL**
Listed Building Consent for the erection of a single storey rear garden room.
Parish Council recommendation: Approve.
- 5.3 The Green Barn, Water Lane – 16/506436/FULL**
Variation of condition 2 of MA/02/1380 – approved under appeal reference APP/U2235/A/02/1104824 (Retrospective application for change of use from agriculture to agriculture and residential use including the stationing of a mobile home for one gypsy family) – to allow additional three mobile homes (totalling 4 mobile homes).
Parish Council recommendation: Refuse and request the application is referred to the Planning Committee if the Case Officer is not of the same opinion. Although the Parish Council appreciates that the applicant would like her children and grandchildren to all live on the site, it is contrary to government policy. According to the DCLG 'Planning policy for traveller sites', gypsies and travellers must be 'persons of nomadic habit of life', but the applicant's children have not and do not lead a nomadic lifestyle. In addition, the site is not 2ha large and the proposed increase of three mobile homes is too many for this site.
- 6. REPORTED PLANNING DECISIONS**
No planning decisions have been reported since the last meeting.
- 7. USE OF THE PLAYING FIELD FOR AN EVENT**
The Village Hall has been booked for an event on 29th October, but the hirer would like to use the recreation field to erect a marquee. Members **Agreed** that the following conditions would need to be adhered to before the field could be used for the event:
- Liaison with the Parish Council must take place through Cllr Heaton.
 - The event insurance policy document must be provided.
 - The marquee must be erected between the play area and the trees.
 - Cars parking on the field must travel between the trees and the marquee.
 - If it is very wet there is to be no parking on the field. Cllr Heaton will make the decision on the day of the event.
 - The hirer must bring rubbish bins, the bins on the field and in the car park must not be used.
 - Protective matting must be laid between the Village Hall and the outside barbecue.
- 8. VISUAL TREE ASSESSMENT**
Members reviewed costings provided by the Tree & Pond Warden for a Visual Tree Assessment (VTA) on the trees on Parish Council land. Members **Agreed** that a maximum of £400 should be spent on the VTA.

There being no further planning matters to be discussed, the meeting closed at 8:50pm.