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MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD VIRTUALLY AT 6.00PM ON TUESDAY 9 MARCH 2021 AT THE ELMS

In attendance: Cllrs Andrew Lightfoot, Katie Moore, (ex officio Peter Noel and Judith Sheppard), Andy Bateman (NHPSG) and the Clerk, Lisa Tuck.

P1.21 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR/VICE CHAIR

Following no nominations for either position, it was agreed to appoint a Chair of this meeting only and it was

RESOLVED that Peter Noel would chair the meeting.

P2.21 PUBLIC QUESTIONS, COMMENTS OR REPRESENTATIONS

Sue and Martin Harvey were present and explained the background to their application for Merianda (Charmouth Fish Bar).

P3.21 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

No apologies were received.

P4.21 DISPENSATIONS

No dispensations were received.

P5.21 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were received.

P6.21 MINUTES

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meetings of the Planning Committee held on the 10 March and 28 May 2020, circulated to members, were a correct record and were signed by the Chair.

P7.21 APPLICATIONS

- (a) Application No. WD/D/20/003210 Merianda House, The Street
Alterations to fenestration and infill covered entrance – **The Parish Council has no objections in principle but as the property is in the Conservation Area, the success of the proposal should depend on the quality and colour of materials used on the frontage.**
- (b) Application No. WD/D/20/003206 Beach Access South of Heritage Coast Centre, Lower Sea Lane
Beach access ramp – No comment as Parish Council's own application.
- (c) Application No. WD/D/20/002875 Land South of Nutcombe Close
Erection of 1 No. dwelling

(Letter circulated from applicants) – **The Parish Council has no objections in principle to this application but would like to see a condition that precludes the garages from being used as residential accommodation.**

- (d) Application No. WD/D/20/003126 Manor Farm Holiday Centre, The Street
Demolition of toilet block and formation of two new bases for static caravans – **The Parish Council has no objections in principle to this application but would comment as follows:**
- **The application indicates that surface water is to soakaways, it would be preferred if this were connected to the drainage system;**
 - **The plan shows a water pump in close proximity to the new slabs but no clarification as to what this is for;**
 - **It is assumed that the removal of this toilet block leaves adequate toilet facilities in the area.**

P8.21 APPROVAL/REFUSAL/WITHDRAWAL OF PLANNING PERMISSION/TREE APPLICATIONS:

- (a) Application No. P/TRC/2021/00527
Carrum House, The Street
T1 Lilac – Fell – outgrown location
T2 Laburnum – Fell – signs of disease – Noted. Tree Warden has no objections.

P9.21 CORRESPONDENCE/OTHER

- (a) Dorset Council Local Plan Consultation – a discussion was held regarding the draft response prepared by Andrew Lightfoot and circulated prior to the meeting. It was agreed that this would be updated with further comments from the NHP Steering Group and re-circulated for approval prior to sending to Dorset Council in time for the deadline of 15 March.

P10.21 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP

- (a) Update from NHP Steering Group – Andy Bateman reported that, since September, the pre-submission comments have been looked at and following research on some issues raised by certain parties the consultation summary (50 pages) had now been completed. Depending on feedback from DC re compliance with policies and from Jo Witherden regarding the revision of the “Basic Condition Statement”, the consultation summary should be with the Parish Council shortly. Andy stated that the 22 policies are the most important part of the huge amount of information for the Parish Council to review and approve.
- (b) NHP Pre-submission Consultation Table – comments from Residents/Local Businesses – Should the Yew Trees in the front churchyard be given TPOs? It was generally felt by the Committee that these ancient specimens should be protected but before a proposal is made to Full Council, the views of the Vicar and Changing Spaces would be sought.

The meeting closed at 6.55pm.

Proposal:

P10.21(b) Request for TPO on churchyard yew trees – for discussion following consultation