

Minutes of Lympsham Parish Council Meeting, 26 March 2018

Councillors Present: Mr. J. Hinton (Chairman), Mrs. A. Bennett, Mr. B. Gooding, Mrs. J. Rosser & Mr. G. Tuttiert.

Also attending: County Cllr. R. Filmer, District Cllr. A. Gilling & seven residents.

Minutes were taken by the Clerk.

20/18 Apologies: Mr. R. Hoare & Mr. R. Jones - Accepted.

21/18 Minutes of Previous Meeting (26.2.18): Confirmed.

22/18 Planning Applications [moved up the agenda]: [County Cllr. R. Filmer & District Cllr. A. Gilling left the room.]

31/18/00002 Mr. D. Cridge, Little Staithe, Church Corner, Lympsham, BS24 0DR: Erection of a two storey extension to East elevation, erection of a single storey extension to North elevation, on site of existing (to be demolished), erection of a replacement porch to West elevation, on site of existing (to be demolished) & installation of dormer windows to West & East elevations.

[7.38 p.m. Following discussion, Chair adjourned meeting to allow comments from the public; 7.45 p.m. Chair re-opened meeting.]

Objection recorded as over-development of the site with the intended extensions not in proportion to other dwellings in the area, particularly re height; also listed materials not in keeping with the local environment. [3 Residents left meeting.]

31/18/00003 Ms. Rogan, Poplar Cottage, Eastertown, BS24 0HY: Erection of a two storey extension to side (West) elevation, to provide ancillary annexe accommodation to main dwelling, alterations to existing access & formation of layby.

[7.50 p.m. Chair adjourned meeting to allow comments from the public; 7.52 p.m. Chair re-opened meeting.]

Application supported as it will provide much needed accommodation & improvements for family members, and will not conflict with the local environment. [2 Residents left meeting.]

31/18/00004 Mrs. Tincknell, The Old Forge, Church Road, Lympsham, BS24 0DT: Works to trees in Conservation Area (Cutting down & crown reduction) – Supported for aesthetic, & health & safety reasons.

31/18/00005 Mr. Butterfield, Heroncroft, South Road, Lympsham, BS24 0DX: Conversion of loft to living accommodation, to include raising the roof height, the installation of 4 no. dormer windows & 7 no. velux windows, the erection of a first floor extension with a glazed balcony to side (East) elevation & extension to existing porch - Supported as it would not conflict with the neighbourhood surroundings.

31/18/00006 Mr. & Mrs. Teteris, The Retreat, South Road, Lympsham, BS24 0DX: Retrospective application for the erection of replacement of single storey extensions to side (South) elevation, front (West) elevation & rear (East) elevation, a first floor extension to rear (East) elevation & alterations to roof - Supported as a necessary improvement to what could have been considered a structurally unsound building.

31/18/00007 Mr. Wildman, Crossmoor, South Road, Lympsham, BS24 0DY: Erection of a two-storey extension to side (W) elevation & a single storey extension to rear (SW) elevation, on site of existing conservatories & garage (to be demolished), extension to existing dormer window & installation of a roof-light - Supported as an improvement to accommodation for extending a family home.

[8.10 p.m. County Cllr. R. Filmer & District Cllr. A. Gilling returned to the Hall.]

23/18 Matters Arising / for report from previous meetings:

- **Neighbourhood Watch:** PCSO S. Piers had sent apologies re March Surgery; burglary reported at Copse Corner.
- **Lympsham C. of E. Academy & Pre-School:** Clerk believed Academy had reached agreement with Tennis Club re court; FOLS had given grant to Pre-School to assist with new ramp.
- **Manor Hall:** Clerk instructed to send letter to correct two errors in Sports Club AGM draft minutes; Cllr. Rosser received confirmation that a Leavers' gift of a clock 'fitting for the Hall' would be appreciated.
- **Highways:** Unofficial discussion re road safety issues with a resident & highways professional did not happen due to his illness; County Cllr. Filmer endeavouring to arrange local consultation with Highways, Police, etc. (Potential of A370 footpath to be highlighted); he had found a possible alternative re wigwag sign - Clerk recounted various points from meeting re SIDs in Somerton; Brean Road barriers deemed insufficient.
- **Play Area inc. inspection reports:** Thanks to Cllr. Bennett for report & to Cllr. Rosser for assuring broken glass removed; children seen climbing on non-play items – Clerk to mention to Head Teacher, although may not be pupils.
- **Grounds Maintenance & General Maintenance Issues:** Daffodils looking good, but possible need for more shrubs around street furniture; following email correspondence from residents re litter, Dist. Cllr. Gilling confirmed that SDC Clean Surroundings Dept. could provide equipment for 'clean up' days & arrange for collection of rubbish.
- **Drainage Issues:** Nothing to report.
- **Footpaths:** Report from resident to be passed on to SCC Footpaths Officer.
- **Affordable Housing:** Feasibility study imminent, so awaiting updated timeline.
- **Village Events:** Harvest Home on 8th Sept; Easter Egg Hunt on Sunday; Cricket season starting shortly & Junior training.
- **County / District Issues:** County Cllr. Filmer mentioned improvement of Children's Service; Libraries consultation – Highbridge's & Cheddar's could face closure; Home First Scheme feedback at Musgrove shows reduction of unnecessary days in hospital; 3,000 couples married by Registration Service. Dist. Cllr. Gilling referred to 515 empty houses across SDC area.
- **Clerk:** PC approved revised job description & approved appointment process; Clerk commended residents who volunteered services during snow – all helpers in Shop also noted for their care of others during this period.

24/18 Correspondence of Note: Circulated. £20 had already been granted to Lympsham Cricket Club; following Cllr. Rosser's proposal to grant £20 to 'Small for All', amendment tabled by Cllr. Tuttiert to increase to £40, seconded by Cllr. Rosser – all agreed.

25/18 Finance Report: inc. cheques listed below

C/A: £1,076-96

S/A: £2,434-54

VAT being claimed: £4,205-42

Player-Mason A/C: £2,405-73 [N.B. £145 to be trans. to C/A re past repair; window to be cleaned.]

Petty Cash: £89-93

26/18 Cheques issued since February meeting: 101663 J.A.Hopkins £8,430 (Community Shelter).

27/18 Cheques issued at March meeting: 101664 SDC £97-66 (Bin emptying); 101665 Whitehouse Kennels £96 (Dog bin serv.); 101666 Clerk's salary & quarterly office expenses £546-63; 101667 Petty Cash £100; 101668 Tasker Printers £499 (L. News).

28/18 Items for Discussion / Report at next meeting (Monday 16.4.18): As above.

The meeting ended at 9.10 p.m.