

Tunstall Parish Council

Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 25 November 2019 in the Midwinter Room, St John the Baptist Church, Tunstall.

Present: Cllr Mavis Hibben (Chair), Cllr Lee Burgess, Cllr Susanne Earl and Cllr Louisa Roberts; and Mrs W Licence (Clerk).

Cllr Hibben welcomed everyone to the meeting and made everyone present aware of the emergency evacuation procedure.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies had been received from Cllr Vivien Rich and Cllr Sarah Steven; apologies accepted. Apologies had also been received from KCCllr Andrew Bowles and KCCllr John Wright; apologies noted.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Burgess declared a pecuniary interest in item 6.iii as he works for the applicant and his parents own a neighbouring property.

3. MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 4 NOVEMBER 2019

Cllr Burgess **PROPOSED** to accept the minutes; **SECONDED** by Cllr Earl: **AGREED UNANIMOUSLY**. Cllr Hibben duly signed the minutes as a true record of the meeting.

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Cllr Hibben said that confirmation of the site for the village sign has now taken over a year, the Clerk has been in contact with KCC Highways on a regular basis. Paul Brand, KCC Highways Schemes Project Manager, has said he will not be making a site visit.

ACTION: Clerk to request resolution by 2 December 2019.

5. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

No members of the public were present.

6. PLANNING

i. Ref: 19/505319/FULL

Address: 34 Park Drive Sittingbourne Kent ME10 1RW

Proposal: Single storey rear extension.

Councillors considered the application and had no comments to make save that neighbours comments be taken into consideration.

ii. Ref: 19/505384/LBC

Proposal: Listed Building Consent for the proposed erection of an oak framed garden room extension to rear elevation.

Ref: 19/505383/FULL

Proposal: Erection of an oak framed garden room extension to rear elevation.

Address: The Oast Tunstall Road Tunstall Sittingbourne Kent ME9 8DX

Councillors considered the application and had no comments to make save that neighbours comments be taken into consideration.

iii. Ref: 19/505364/FULL

Address: 95 Sterling Road Tunstall Sittingbourne Kent ME10 1SW

Proposal: Demolition of existing garage and conservatory. Erection of single storey side and rear extension.

Councillors considered the application and had no comments to make save that neighbours comments be taken into consideration.

iv. Ref: 19/505366/NMAMD

Address: 15 Sterling Road Tunstall ME10 1SJ

Proposal: Non Material Amendment - Reduction in roof above front entrance. Subject to 17/503709/FULL

Councillors noted the application.

v. Ref: 19/505320/FULL

Address: 1 School View Tunstall Road Tunstall Sittingbourne Kent ME9 8DX

Proposal: Single storey rear/side extension with car port.

Cllr Burgess left the room during the consideration of this planning application

Councillors considered the proposal for 1 School View which is in the Tunstall Conservation Area. The proposed extension does not preserve or enhance the conservation area.

The property has already been extended and the proposal adds another long side extension and whilst this is set back from the road, the striking detail of the new car ports is very visible from the road. This will have an impact on the streetscape of the Conservation Area. There is nothing similar to this car port, in this area of Tunstall. The site is also opposite the Tunstall Old School which is a Listed Building.

The extension is very close to the historic Memorial Hall of Tunstall, now Hall House.

Councillors approximated the extension to be only 1.2m from the boundary and 2.4m from Hall House which moves closer to the shared boundary further back. There are 4 large low windows on this side of Hall House which will to a certain extent look over this extension and the car ports. The current view between the 2 buildings is to open skies and fields beyond (although there is a high fence). There will be an unavoidable visual impact on Hall House. Looking at the proposal ascetically, the extension joins a terrace of houses (circa 1950's) to the detached Victorian Memorial Hall (now known as Hall House).

Concern was raised that the property has already been the subject of considerable extension.

AGREED UNANIMOUSLY to object to the proposal.

Cllr Burgess rejoined the meeting

vi. Any other planning matter received by 25 November 2019.

Ref: 19/505250/FULL Address: 4 Cranbrook Drive Tunstall Sittingbourne Kent ME10 1RF

Proposal: Demolition of existing detached garage. Erection of a two storey side extension and single storey front extension.

Application permitted.

7. CHRISTMAS TEA

Cllr Hibben reported that over ninety tickets have been requested and the Committee Room will also be used. There has been a fantastic response and many people are excited to be coming as they do not go out very much. The doors will open at 2.15pm. The School has offered to send Year 6 pupils to help. Two volunteers have come forward to help with the teas. There is a budget of £5 per person for the tea and there needs to be a budget for sundries and hall hire, so realistically there needs to be a budget of £600. SBCllr Paul Stephen has agreed to give £250 from his budget and SBCllr Bonney will give £100. The Church will also make a contribution from the Smeed Trust.

It was **AGREED UNANIMOUSLY** to increase the budget by £200 for sundries and hall hire.

8. ANY OTHER MATTERS ARISING

No other matters were raised.

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 2 December, 2019, 7.30p.m. in the Committee Room, Tunstall Village Hall.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.25pm

Signed as a true record of the meeting:

Chair

Date: 2 December 2019

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