



## **Oakley and Deane Parish Council**

### **Minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on 20 February 2020**

**Present:** Mr. Hewitt (Chairman), Mr. Bealing, Mr Bullions and Dr. Johnstone. One member of the public attended the meeting.

#### **Public Session**

Mr. McMahon attended the meeting, to discuss the proposals he had sent to the clerk, about the Borough adopting a more 'green' approach to planning, in particular to installation of solar panels at the initial build stage or subsequently. If roofs were predominantly south-facing, this could be an energy saving and environmentally friendly way for the Borough to work with developers to decrease the amount of energy required. Mr. McMahon had proposed this direct to the Borough previously but not had any response. Both the initial phase of the Park Farm development and the Beech Tree Close development could have utilised solar panels in their build but the opportunity was missed. Mr. Bealing informed members that in Germany all new builds (domestic and commercial) have to have solar panels installed. The clerk asked if a rough costing per installation could be determined. Mr Bealing will attempt to obtain this. The members supported Mr. McMahon's proposals and agreed to recommend them to the full council at the March meeting, and if agreed, to submit them to the Borough Council for consideration.

#### **1. Apologies**

Apologies were received from Mrs. Taylor, Borough Councillor.

#### **2. Minutes of the meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> January,** having been circulated to all members prior to the meeting were approved by the Committee and signed by the Chairman as a true record of the meeting.

#### **3. Planning Applications**

**20/00340/TENO St Johns Piece.** Installation of a 17.5 metre high phase 5 monopole including 2 no. 0.3 metre diameter dishes and 3 no. equipment cabinets, to be painted green RAL 6009 and ancillary development thereto. Member **object** to the application:

- while the need for better mobile coverage in the village is not disputed, this is not the correct location for this large and intrusive mast. St Johns Garden of Remembrance is a quiet and picturesque spot in the village and to have such a huge mast directly outside is not appropriate. The parish holds its Service of Remembrance there, and there is a Commonwealth War Grave sited there as well. Many residents (and members of the Committee) feel it would be extremely disrespectful to position the mast so close.
- almost directly opposite the proposed site is the multi user route from Oakley to Kempshott - this is a much more suitable location and the mast could be better 'hidden' to make it less of an eyesore.

We understand that the application will not be referred to Development Control despite the number of objections, but please consider our comments when you make your decision.

**20/00339/TENO St Johns Road.** Installation of a 17.5 metre high phase 5 monopole including 2 no. 0.3 metre diameter dishes and 3 no. equipment cabinets, to be painted green RAL 6009 and ancillary development thereto. Members have no comments and no objections to the application.

**20/00284/HSE 36 Pack Lane.** Constuction of attached garage and extension to the front elevation and extension to rear elevation (amended scheme to that approved under 19/01139/HSE). The members' decision was deferred for further information to be obtained. Members will make the decision using email communication and the decision will be ratified at the next Planning meeting.

**20/00194/HSE Bulls Bushes Farm.** Erection of oak-framed ancillary annexe accommodation following demolition of existing workshop. Alterations to existing vehicular access, new gate with piers and boundary wall. Members had no comments and no objections.

**4. The Committee noted the following decisions:**

19/03419/HSE	Erection of part single storey, part two storey side extension following demolition of existing car port and garage 14 The Vale	Granted
19/03305/HSE	Erection of a single storey rear extension 6 Kennet Way	Granted

**5. Other Planning Issues:**

**Confidential:**

the clerk was asked to provide documentation regarding the issues at 16 Avon Road. Mr. Bealing, having previously declared an interest, did not participate in the discussion. The clerk gave copies of relevant correspondence: the minutes of the meeting in September, the request from Mr. Lee-Buckland to purchase 'extra' land and the parish's response to that request, stating that they would not object to him building a fence along his boundary to replace the unsightly hedge, but that no permission would be given for any increase of land. Mr. Parry and the clerk are meeting with the Borough on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February to try and resolve the matter and avoid the Parish being subject to an enforcement order and a potential fine.

**6. Date of the next meeting** was agreed to be **Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2020**