

Dunkirk Parish Council

Minutes of Planning Committee meeting held at Dunkirk Village Hall on 8 January 2018 at 7.30pm

Present: Jeff Tutt, Daniel Brice, Vaughan Howland, Phillippa Clarkson, Steve Hitch, Paul Mellett, Louise Blackshaw (Clerk)
3 parishioners

Jeff Tutt as Vice Chair opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

Declarations of Interest: None

1. **Apologies:** None

2. **Elections**

The clerk explained the procedure for electing a new chair and vice chair following the resignation of John Peto at the end of the December meeting.

- (a) Chair: Jeff Tutt was proposed by Phillipa Clarkson. There were no other nominations. Jeff Tutt was duly elected at Chair.
- (b) Vice Chair: Phillippa Clarkson was proposed by Jeff Tutt. Daniel Brice was proposed by Vaughan Howland. Daniel Brice declined the nomination and Phillippa Clarkson was duly elected as Vice Chair.

3. **Declarations of Acceptance of Office**

The Chair and Vice Chair signed declarations of acceptance of office.

4. **Appoint Members to Committees**

Planning Committee – it was agreed that as there were sufficient members appointed to the Planning Committee that the members remain the same and will be revisited at the Annual Statutory meeting in May. The members of the planning committee are: Jeff Tutt (Chair), Paul Mellett, Steve Hitch. Daniel Brice & Phillippa Clarkson are substitute members if required.

5. **Review Vacant Positions**

Two applications had been received for the vacant position and their summary and CVs had been circulated before the meeting. Both candidates were invited to say a few words summarizing their background and why they were interested in becoming a councillor.

All parishioners present were asked to leave the room while the two candidates were considered. Following a discussion it was agreed to co-opt Julie Coleman to the vacant councilor position. The clerk will deal with the relevant paperwork.

The parishioners returned to the meeting and were made aware of the decision made.

The Full Council meeting was closed the Planning Committee opened.

Declarations of Interest: None

1. Receive Decisions

17/505642/FULL - Christchurch House - Part two storey with Juliette balcony/single storey rear extension, sun terrace with composite decking over single storey rear extension, alterations to porch and internal alterations. Refused

17/504557/FULL- Land Adjacent 28 Horselees Road-Erection of 2 chalet style dwellings. Approved

17/504664/FULL- 36 Woodside - Erection of a single storey side extension to residential dwelling to accommodate garage. Change of use of woodland to residential garden and extinguishment of public right of way. Approved. The extinguishment of the public right of way is subject to a separate application with Kent County Council PROW.

2. Consider Applications: None

3. Update on Outstanding Applications and related issues

16/507586/FULL - Former Raf Mast Site - data storage facility. A noise report had been undertaken. The clerk had requested copies of the drawings which were missing from the noise report.

It was reported that base jumpers had been seen climbing the mast and jumping off the week before Christmas. The clerk to report this to Woodland Management (owners of the mast site).

Brotherhood Wood – a recent appeal decision had been made by the Planning Inspectorate to grant planning permission for 3 years and quash the enforcement notices at Spade Lane, Hartlip. The Inspector had directly referred to Brotherhood Wood in the decision. The Head of Planning was seeking legal opinion on challenging this decision in the High Court. This was due to be raised at the Planning Committee on 4 January however it did not get discussed. Jeff Tutt has since asked Gerry Lewin to confirm that he would stand by his previous answer that SBC has 11.7 years G&T pitch supply.

4. Update on Appeals

16/501247/ CHANGE - Moth Field, Denstroude Lane - Site meeting by the Planning Inspectorate arranged for 29/1/18 (parish council not in attendance).

17/500117/ENF - Land at Scoggers Hill – site meeting by the Planning Inspectorate to be arranged.

5. Matters not on the Agenda

Red Lion S106 – there are now 3 park homes for sale. SBC had written to all three owners and the site owner to remind them of their obligations under the S106 agreement (to offer the properties to Dunkirk residents for the first 3 months, and then neighbouring parishes for the second 3 months before offering on the open market).

Foresters Lodge – a local resident had reported that he was often asked for directions to Foresters Lodge and had asked whether a sign could be installed at the entrance. It was agreed to speak to the owners of Foresters Lodge to ask whether they could look into this (there had previously been a sign which had been damaged/removed).

Potters Corner/Dawes Road – this area had become wet which turns to ice in cold weather. Agreed to keep an eye on this.

Boughton Hill/Staplestreet Road – water had been seen flowing down the bank to Staplestreet Road which had been a problem a couple of years ago. Agreed to keep an eye on this and report to KCC Highways if it continues.

Gate Services - delineators still not installed. Jeff Tutt continuing to chase.

Planning application fees - Pippa Clarkson said that she had heard that fees for planning applications were to be increased by 20% (a national decision).

Date of Next meeting: Monday 22 January – Full Council
Monday 5 February – Planning Committee

L Blackshaw
Clerk

Signed

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Chairman

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