

CHURCH FENTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Church Fenton Parish Council

held on Thursday 17th December 2009 at 7.30 p.m. at The Village Hall, Church Fenton

Present Cllr Mrs Morbey (Acting Clerk)
 Cllr S Naylor
 Cllr S Peacock
 Cllr Mrs M Robinson
 Cllr I Wrightson (Acting Chair)
 Cllr C Blakey
 Dist Cllr K Ellis

3 Members of the Public

80. Apologies and Declarations

Apologies were received from Cllr Wharton who was absent due to work commitments. It was proposed by Cllr Morbey that the apologies be accepted. Seconded by Cllr Naylor and agreed unanimously.

There were 2 declarations on interest made by Cllr Robinson and Cllr Morbey in respect of the planning application for 2009/0565/FUL – land to rear of Fennel Farm, Hall and Nanny Lane, Church Fenton. Cllr Blakey was asked if he wished to declare an interest given that he had done so the last time that this application came before the Council. Cllr Blakey declined to declare an interest.

It was also explained that the Clerk was very ill. As a result, the agenda was not prepared in time for tonight's meeting. However, as there was a planning application to be discussed for which the Parish Council had already been given an extension, as an exception the acting Chair decided to prepare an agenda, with any decisions to be ratified at the January meeting.

81. Public Session

A member of the public advised that the lights on Rose Lane were still not working and that this had been reported a number of times over the last 6 months or so. A discussion took place where Cllr Blakey said that he would go and fix them himself with a contractor that he knew. The Acting Chair tried to explain that we did not want to be in a position where we were paying twice for the same job and that we ought to contact the contractor who had already been instructed to do the job by the Clerk as a first port of call. It was agreed that if the lights had not been fixed by 22nd December, then Cllr Blakey would make arrangements for the work to be undertaken. A heated exchange ensued. Cllr Robinson agreed to telephone the original contractor the very next day to try and find out what was going on.

82. Reports

District Councillor

No report.

County Councillor

No report.

Community Police

No report.

83 Minutes of the Last Meeting

Not available.

84 Matters Arising

See item 83.

85 For Discussion

None

For Information

None.

86 Planning

Applications for Consideration

2009/1040/HPA - The Hedgerows, Common Lane, Church Fenton – amended plans

It was proposed by Cllr Morbey that the Parish Council object on the same grounds as it had previously. Those being that the proposal is in Greenbelt outside of the village envelope and that the proposed extension added to previous extensions cumulatively would result in a significant increase in the built form contrary to policy GB4 and PPG Note 2 'Green Belts'. This was seconded by Cllr Robinson and was voted on with 3 in favour of the proposals and 3 abstentions, therefore the proposal was passed.

2009/0903/FUL - North View, Main Street, Church Fenton – amended plans

Cllr Morbey advised that Selby District Council had received

amended plans. The applicant who was in audience insisted that there were no new plans and that the Parish Council has already discussed the latest plans. Cllr Morbey suggested that this item be deferred to the next meeting to allow time for clarification.

2009/0565/FUL - Land to rear Fennel Farm, Hall Lane/Nanny Lane, Church Fenton- additional information.

Cllr Morbey and Cllr Robinson left the room. Cllr Wrightson took the minutes for the section of the meeting.

Dist Cllr Ellis stated that the previous observations made by the Parish Council on this application stand and would be considered by Selby District Council when the application is determined. He confirmed that the application is to be considered by the full Planning Committee. He said that he will be objecting to this application at the Planning Committee following the large number of complaints that he has received from parishioners.

It was proposed by Cllr Wrightson that no further observations would be made. Seconded by Cllr Naylor and agreed unanimously.

Cllr Mrs Robinson and Cllr Mrs Morbey re-joined the meeting.

Applications Approved

None.

Applications Withdrawn/Refused

None.

87 Finance

Cllr Peacock asked what was to be done about outstanding invoices. Cllr Wrightson explained that there was nothing on the agenda regarding these payments for reasons stated earlier and the fact that he did not have copies of the invoices. Cllr Peacock stated that cheques had been raised at previous meetings if they were required when not on the agenda. A heated discussion took place. At which point Cllr Morbey stood up and said that she would not be spoken to in that way and walked out.

After Cllr Morbey left the meeting the Acting Chairman stopped the discussion and suggested that it should be continued in private at the end of the meeting. As there was no opposition to this proposal the meeting continued with the next agenda item.

From this point in the meeting Cllr Wrightson took the minutes for the meeting.

88 Income

None.

89 Representatives Reports

Cllr Blakey asked why no progress had been made on the S106 project for the land between Church Street and Oakwood Close. The Acting Chairman said that the Parish Council was awaiting an update on the proposed plans from Cllr Peacock and Cllr Blakey and this item should be deferred until the next meeting.

90 Clerks Report

No report.

91 Agenda Items for Next Meeting

Before the meeting began, David Herbert asked for the following items to be put on the next agenda. He requested an update on S106 funding for the irrigation system for the bowling club. He also requested the Parish Councils views on the proposal to build an extension on the bowling club. Mr Herbert will bring plans to the next meeting.

Update on S106 project for the land between Church Street and Oakwood Close.

92. Date of Next Meeting

Thursday 21st January 2010.

The meeting was closed.