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Parish Room Old School Centre West End PORLOCK Somerset, TA24 8NP

Parish Council

Minutes of the Planning Meeting held in the Parish Room on Wednesday 5th April 2023 at 5.30pm

Members Present: Cllr. D Thornton (Chair), Cllr S Colson and Cllr S McCanlis

Also present: Cllr L Thornton (Temporary volunteer Clerk, minute taker)

4 applicants (BRACKEN CLOSE and 1, HURLESTONE PARK).

1. To RECEIVE Apologies for Absence. (LGA 1972 s85 (1))

Apologies were received from Cllr D McCanlis

2. Declarations of Interest and Disclosable Pecuniary Interest Dispensations.

Members to declare any interests, including Disclosable Pecuniary Interests they may have in agenda items that accord with the requirements of the Parish Council's Code of Conduct and to consider any prior requests from members for Dispensations that accord with Localism Act 2011 s33(b-e). (NB this does not preclude any later declarations) (LGA 1972 sch12, para 41(1))

There were none.

3. Public Participation.

This section provides an opportunity for members of the public (who are not usually permitted to speak during the meeting except by special invitation of the Chair) to participate by asking questions, raising concerns or providing comments on relevant matters (for a maximum of 5 minutes not exceeding 15 minutes in total). (LGA1972 sch12, paras 10(2) (b)

The Chair moved item 5 forward in the Agenda to allow the applicants to participate in the consideration of their applications.

- 4. The committee resolved to APPROVE the minutes of the Planning meeting 8th March 2023, proposed by Cllr D Thornton, seconded by Cllr S McCanlis.
- 5. It was noted that Cllrs L & D Thornton had hand delivered the Agenda for the meeting to all the applicant addresses to invite them to attend if they wished to do so.

6/27/23/005 BRACKEN CLOSE, DOVERHAY, PORLOCK, TA24 8LL

Proposed enclosure of the existing veranda to form porch.

The Chair reported that there were no objections on the ENPA planning portal, the property was outside the conservation area and there would be very little visual difference. A site visit had been undertaken.

The applicants asked about the process. The Chair explained that PPC were only consultees and the Clerk confirmed the recommendations of PPC would be provided to ENPA before the deadline.

Cllr D Thornton proposed to recommend no objection to the application, seconded by Cllr S Colson and unanimously agreed.

6/27/23/006 1, HURLESTONE PARK, PORLOCK, SOMERSET, TA24 8JB

Proposed erection of carport and storage shed.

The applicants explained that the carport and storage shed would be on the site of an old chicken coop and garden room, previously removed, to get their cars off the driveway and under cover. No power would be provided for the carport of shed.

The Chair reported that there were no objections on the ENPA planning portal, the property was outside the conservation area and there would be very little visual impact, especially as the hedge shields the neighbour's view.

The applicant asked how long the decision might take and how they would be notified. The Chair advised checking the portal after the closing date and once ENPA had met to consider the application. It was advised that the applicant should receive correspondence form ENPA.

Cllr S McCanlis proposed to recommend no objection to the application, seconded by Cllr D Thornton and unanimously agreed.

WTPO 23/04 OAKS HOTEL, PORLOCK, TA24 8ES

WTPO for the removal of tree Fungus at the base and under the canopy of other oak tree.

The Committee discussed the condition of the tree, the wildlife the oak tree could support and whether the tree needed to be removed completely. The Committee felt the information provided for the application was poor. The Chair reported that the condition of the tree looks poor and being close to the road, may be an issue. He also confirmed it was in the conservation area.

Cllr D Thornton proposed to recommend no objection to the application, and to add comments to the submission to ENPA asking if the Tree Officer could consider rescuing the tree given the wildlife it supports, seconded by Cllr S Colson and unanimously agreed.