

HENSTRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL

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Approved minutes of an additional meeting of Henstridge Parish Council held on Monday 10th April 2017 at the Village Hall, Ash Walk, Henstridge.

Present: David Nichols (Chair), Howard Bentley-Marchant, Simon Cullum, Dennis Finch, Carolyn Nichols, Barry Paginton, Sue Place and Michael Player.

Clerk: Zöe Godden

Three members of the public were present at the start of the meeting.

1. To receive any apologies for absence

Apologies had been received from Ken Courtenay, Jean Oswick and John Graham

RESOLVED: It was proposed and agreed to accept the reasons for absence as reported.

2. To receive any declarations of interest in items on the agenda

Howard Bentley-Marchant declared a personal interest in item 4 as he was friends with the applicant.

3. To approve as a correct record the minutes of the previous meeting held on 3rd April 2017.

It was **agreed** to defer this matter to the next meeting.

4. To consider the following planning application:

Application number	Proposal	Applicant details
17/01302/REM	Application for reserved matters following approval of 16/02976/OUT for the erection of a retirement bungalow with a new vehicular access onto Whitechurch Lane.	Mrs Heath, Land at Park House, Whitechurch Lane, Henstridge. BA8 0PA
There was some general discussion about the application, after which, the Chairman closed the meeting to allow public comments.		
1 - Mr Allen asked for clarification on the future implications of the use of the word "retirement" in this application. Howard Bentley-Marchant reported that, at a recent Area East meeting, it was confirmed that, although the applicant intended to occupy the dwelling upon her retirement, it could not be reserved as a retirement home into the future.		
2 – Mr Allen noted that the decision notice for the outline application relating to this site (16/02976/OUT) referred to the site as "infill". Mr Allen asked for clarification as the nearest buildings were 200 yards away. David Nichols said that each application had to be decided on its own merits.		
3 – Mr Allen said that windows in the proposed dwelling would overlook the neighbour's gardens.		
4 – Mr Crichton informed the Council that he lived in neighbouring Whitechurch House. Mr Crichton was of the opinion that the elevated ground level of the proposed dwelling would cause significant overlooking of his garden resulting in a loss of privacy and requested that		

either the boundary wall should be build up or another structure erected to preserve privacy.

The meeting was re-opened.

There was some general discussion about the application.

Michael Player **proposed** that the Parish Council should recommend approval of this application with the proviso that action should be taken to minimise overlooking of the neighbouring property, either by redesigning windows, adjusting the ground level or erecting a structure to alleviate overlooking. There was no seconder and this proposal was withdraw.

Michael Player **proposed** that the Parish Council should recommend refusal of this application unless action was taken to minimise overlooking of the neighbouring property, either by redesigning windows, adjusting the ground level or erecting a structure to alleviate overlooking.

Seven votes in favour, one against: motion carried.

- 5. Planning correspondence:** Invitation from Wessex Community Land Trust to attend a “Building Resilient Communities Event” in Exeter on 26th April; to agree members to attend.

RESOLVED: It was proposed and agreed that David Nichols and the Clerk should attend.

- 6. Date of Next meeting** – The next Parish Council meeting will be held on **Monday 8th May 2016. This will be the ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING.** All items for inclusion on the agenda and all items to be listed under issues arising from previous meetings must be received by the Clerk by **9.00am on Thursday 27th April.**

The meeting closed at 19:56.

Agreed and signed by the Chair _____

Date _____