

Henstridge Parish Council

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Approved minutes of Henstridge Parish Council's Planning Committee held at
the Henstridge Village Hall Lounge on Monday 6th August 2007.

Present

Councillors: Mr Vincent (Chair), Mr Fitch, Mr Jarvis, Mr Nichols, Mrs Oswick, Mr Temperton, Mr Stobart. Mr White from 6.48pm, Mr Crocker from 6.50pm.

Clerk: Mrs Watson.

Meeting commenced at 6.45 pm.

There were 2 members of the public in attendance one of whom was District Councillor, Tim Inglefield.

1. Apologies.

Apologies had been received from Paul Brighten.

2. Declarations of Interest.

Mr Jarvis declared a personal and prejudicial interest as the applicant of 07/03239/FUL. He advised that he would leave the meeting for consideration of the application after answering questions if required.

Mr White arrived at the meeting and stated that he had no interests to declare.

3. To approve as a correct record the minutes of the previous meeting held on 23/07/07 (Any amendments necessary to be received on the night).

It was pointed out that the meeting date should read June not July.

RESOLVED: It was proposed and unanimously agreed to approve the minutes with the inclusion of the above amendment.

4. To consider the following planning applications:

07/03223/FUL The erection of 14 new dwellings (Revised Application) (GR 372177 / 119675) Land And Out Buildings Church Farm Church Street Henstridge Templecombe Somerset BA8 0QP. McIntosh Homes Ltd.

The Chairman explained that the Clerk had sought some clarification from the officer and this was read out:- *The application is marked REVISED APPLICATION as Unfortunately, there is currently no mechanism for dealing with minor amendments of this sort, hence the complete new application for the whole development. The application relates to adding rooms in the roof space of dwellings 4, 5, 6, 7 & 12, as well as moving one of the garages slightly back on site.* Members were reminded of the Committee's previous recommendation on 06/03604/FUL (*It was proposed and unanimously agreed to recommend approval of the application with the condition that all the surface water, including that from the roads is channelled to soakaways as far as is practicable.*)

Mr Crocker arrived at the meeting and stated that he had no interests to declare.

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The Chairman asked for comments and members were in favour of the application.

RESOLVED: It was proposed and agreed to recommend approval of the application.

07/03239/FUL The erection of an aircraft hanger with airfield maintenance equipment storage bay (GR 374875/120754) Land At Henstridge Airfield Camp Road Henstridge Templecombe Somerset BA8 0TF. Losan Ltd.

Mr Jarvis confirmed the permitted number of aircraft on the site of 45 and the current resident number of 29. Members were reminded of the committee's previous Committee's recommendation on granted application 05/03073/FUL, Hanger number 3. *(In view of the Parish Council's support of the Landscape Architects recommendations in respect of the development of the airfield. It was proposed and unanimously agreed to recommend refusal of the application on the grounds previously put forward for application 05/00820/FUL. That the intention to erect this third hangar to the east of the taxiway into a more prominent 'open countryside' part of the airfield is considered to be unacceptable, being harmful to the character and appearance of the area. This is contrary to STR 6 of the Somerset and Exmoor National Joint Structure Plan Review and ST3 of the South Somerset Local Plan (Deposit Draft). The Parish Council also considered that an application for a third hangar is premature to any proven demand or need for hangarage in addition to that provided by the two hangars already approved.)*

Members did not consider this application to be premature given the current and permitted number of aircraft on the site. Concern was expressed that a recommendation of approval of this application would set a precedent for future applications and it was understood that each individual application is considered on its own merits regardless of preceding permissions. It was considered that the construction of hangars was inevitable on an area defined as an active airfield. Mr Jarvis offered further information with regard to the terms of STR6 & STR3, clarified the area has extant permission as an airfield and advised the current rate of complaints is less than ½% of the total aircraft movements, which is very favourable in comparison to other operational airfields.

Mr Jarvis left the meeting

Members felt that, as the location is not a unique part of the countryside the application was not detrimental as natural development of the airfield. It was felt that there was no reason to refuse the application as a facility for current and future permitted aircraft. The Clerk was asked to read out the committee's previous recommendation on 05/03073/FUL for Hanger number 3 again.

RESOLVED: It was proposed and agreed to recommend approval of the application.

Mr White requested that his vote against to be recorded and Mr Fitch wished a record made of his abstention pending advise on interests.

Mr Jarvis returned to the meeting

5. Recent SSDC AE Decisions.

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- 07/01608/OUT The erection of a dwelling for an agricultural worker (GR 372172/119098) Land OS 2400 Cherry Bolberry Farm Landshire Lane Henstridge Sturminster Newton Dorset. Mr & Mrs C Raymond.
- Application withdrawn
- 07/02850/FUL Conversion of outbuilding and erection of a single storey connecting extension and replacement garage (GR 374350/120138) Marsh Farm, The Marsh, Camp Road, Henstridge, BA8 0TH Mr & Mrs Nichols.
- Permission granted
- 07/02936/COU Use of land as a site for a mobile home to provide temporary accommodation for a key worker (in accordance with annex A of planning policy Statement 7) (GR 373684/120109) Parklands fish Farm, Marsh Lane, Henstridge, Templecombe, Somerset BA8 0TQ. MR Andrew Parker.
- Permission refused

6. Area East and Regulation Committee Agenda items.

No items to report

7. Appeals and matters of report from previous applications as listed: -

No items to report.

8. Planning development control issues as listed: -

No items to report.

Mr Jarvis requested that consideration is given to ensuring that the full Council meeting follows the planning meeting without an interval. The Clerk agreed to liaise with the proper officer on the matter.

The next meeting of Henstridge Parish Council's Planning Committee will be held at Henstridge Village Hall Lounge on Monday 20th August 2007 at 6.45pm.

The Meeting closed at 7.03 pm.