

Henstridge Parish Council

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Draft minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held at the Henstridge Village Hall Lounge on Monday 22nd March 2010.

Present

Councillors: Mickey Vincent (Chair), Paul Brighten, Pete Crocker, Jim Fitch, David Nicholls, Jean Oswick, Caroline Rowland, Adam Temperton,

Clerk: Mrs Walker

There were no members of the public in attendance.

1. Apologies and to approve reasons for apology as seen fit.

Apologies had been received from Mr Stobart and Mr White due to work commitments.

RESOLVED: It was proposed and agreed to approve the reasons for apology as listed above.

2. Declarations of Interest.

There were no interests declared.

3. To approve as a correct record the minutes of the previous meeting held on 08/03/10 (Any amendments necessary to be received on the night).

RESOLVED: It was proposed and agreed to approve the above minutes.

4. To consider the following planning applications:

10/00033/ OUT	The erection of an agricultural works dwelling	Land and farm buildings at Cherry Bulberry Farm, Furge Lane, Henstridge
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No comments had been received from members of the public. The location was discussed as was the fact that additional access was not to be created. It was noted that the plan was only an outline plan for temporary permission. The agricultural appraisal was discussed and it was noted that the Council had supported an application for an agricultural dwelling elsewhere in open countryside.

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

5. Recent SSDC AE Decisions.

The Clerk reported receipt of the following decision:

10/0031 2/FUL	The erection of a single storey office extension and re-arrangement of car park	Wessex Grain Ltd The Marsh Camp Road Henstridge, Templecombe Mr Simon Wilcox	Permission granted
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6. Appeals and matters of report from previous applications and enforcement issues.

(i) To receive a response from James Meyer to queries over enforcement issues and agree any further actions arising.

The Clerk reported that the following queries had been raised and provided the response given by Mr Meyer (query in bold type – response in standard).

January 2008 – stables/caravan on land OS3663, Yenston Hill, used for residential purposes – new application required?, also March 2008 – 06/02702/FUL – The earlier residential use related only to the caravan, since discontinued. The caravan subsequently was brought into use as a chicken shed. Such use is exempt from planning control.

February 2008 – Re 02/02783/FUL – previous temporary permission expired in November 2007 for four portakabins for use by the air ambulance, also May/July 2008, 08/01180/S73 - The agent has failed to produce the promised applications, despite continued assurances. In consequence the matter have been discussed with the Development Control Manager who is of the view that other than highway considerations, it would not be considered expedient to pursue formal enforcement action, since this site in general terms has been approved for business use. Planning Case Officer Simon Fox is presently in consultation with the Highway Authority to establish whether the present use raises highway concerns such that the Highway Authority would be prepared to defend on appeal.

February 2008 – 02/03403/COU - Higher Marsh House, passing places and current status of Higher Marsh House Barn – Enforcement notice issued October 2008, upheld in part in August 2009. Variable periods for compliance – final compliance date 12th May 2010.

August 2008 – Re The Homestead on the A30 – vehicles reversing out of the Homestead directly on to the A30 - Appeal against Enforcement Notice dismissed in September 2009 - compliance period expired on 21st December 2009. Owner has been formally requested to attend Interview under Caution as a commencement of the prosecution process in respect of non-compliance with the Enforcement Notice. Further to our e-mail exchange, it has been noted following correspondence received from the owner of The Homestead, that a temporary physical barrier has been placed across the width of the access, pending full compliance with the Enforcement Notice. In this circumstance prosecution action will be deferred for the time being - but the position will be reviewed in a few months.

Concerns were raised in respect of the applications regarding the use of the portakabins due to previous information which had been received by the Council from Simon Fox. The Council felt unclear with regard to the wider picture on this site.

RESOLVED: It was proposed and agreed that the Council should write to Roger Wotton who has taken over from James Meyer, enclosing a copy of the e-mail from Simon Fox dated 10/03/08, highlighting the issues raised and asking for full clarification on the legal opinion that was received with regard to this matter.

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- (ii) To receive a response from Diana Watts re application 10/00197/FUL and agree any further actions arising.

The Clerk reported that Ms Watts had stated that it appeared the Council had misunderstood the reason for receiving the amended plans which had been for information only because the Council had raised no objections to the original plans. The Clerk advised that while the plans had stated for information only this had been confused by the fact that there was also a response date for observations and she raised concerns that just because the Council had been happy with the original plan did not necessarily mean that they would be happy with the amendment.

RESOLVED: It was proposed and agreed that the Council should respond to Ms Watts, emphasising that because the Council have had no issues with an initial set of plans does not necessarily mean that they would not have pertinent comments with regard to an amendment as their role is to comment on the amendment at this stage and not the initial plans themselves, and requesting that they be allowed time to comment on future amended plans.

7. Correspondence

12.03.10	North Dorset District Council	To agree any response which the Council may wish to make to the consultation on the new plan for Dorset.
The possible impact to the village of changes to policy regarding Stalbridge and Marnhull was discussed and it was felt that the matter should be discussed further.		
RESOLVED: It was proposed and agreed to bring the matter to the second Aapril meeting and in the meantime for the Clerk to provide Councillors with a link to the relevant website and to liaise with Stalbridge with regard to any pertinent issues.		

The next meeting of Henstridge Parish Council's Planning Committee will be held at the Henstridge Village Hall Lounge on Monday 12th April 2010. All items for inclusion on the agenda must be received by the Clerk by 9.00am on Thursday 1st April 2010.

The meeting closed at 7.50pm.