

District of South Cambridgeshire

PLANNING COMMITTEE

A meeting of this Committee was held at The Hub Community Centre, Cambourne on Tuesday 19th August 2014

Present:

Cllr S Crocker (Acting Chairman)

Cllr Mrs R Poulton

Cllr Mrs L Selway

Cllr S Masters

Cllr Dr S Smith

In attendance: Liz Pinchen – Deputy Parish Clerk

1 member of the Public was in attendance at the meeting.

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr P Gavigan and Cllr J O'Dwyer.

It was:

RESOVLED that the apologies for absence from Cllr P Gavigan and Cllr J O'Dwyer be approved.

2. MINUTES

It was:

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 5th August 2014 (M205) were confirmed as being a correct record and duly signed by the Chairman.

3. MEMBERS DECLARATION OF INTEREST OR REQUEST FOR DISPENSATION for items on the agenda.

Cllr Mrs L Selway declared a personal non disclosable interest in Item 5 Planning Application S/1768/14/FL as she knows the applicants.

4. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The Cambourne Parish Council Sports Development planning application has just been approved subject to conditions. This will be on the next agenda. A decision on the Hub Extension application is still awaited.

5. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

<u>S/1241/14/FL</u> – Two storey rear extension, single storey side link extension and front porch – 40 Merle Way, Lower Cambourne, Cambridge, CB23 6FE

Date 2nd September 2014

Signed

For - Mr & Mrs Carew

The Chairman reported that this application had been considered at the Planning Committee meeting on 1st July 2014 and has been approved. The current application is for a minor amendment to two windows which have been changed to semi-transparent in line with the Planning Committee's recommendation. It was felt that this needed no further discussion.

It was:

RESOLVED to receive the amendment.

<u>S/1762/14/PH</u> – Single storey rear extension – 12 Millhouse Walk, Cambourne, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire CB23 5FL For - Mr Michael Fletcher

Concern was raised that the application gives no indication of the type of material to be used in the construction nor is there any indication of how much garden amenity space is being taken up by the extension. Concern was also raised regarding the proximity of the extension to the neighbouring property.

It was:

RESOLVED to recommend for refusal due to the lack of clarity in the application regarding the use of materials and the detriment to the garden amenity space.

<u>S/1404/14/FL</u> – Ground floor extension to the rear elevation – 143 Jeavons Lane, Cambourne, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire CB23 5FA For – Mr and Mrs James

The applicants had previously applied under permitted development but had been advised that this extension did not come under permitted development and that a planning application need to be submitted.

Concern was raised that the extension is very large and extrudes from the existing side elevations and is therefore overbearing. The materials listed for the roof are 'galvanised sheet' which would be out of keeping with other materials used in the area.

It was:

RESOLVED to recommend for refusal due to the inconsistent use of materials which are out of keeping with the local area and the overbearing size of the proposal.

<u>S/1679/14/FL</u> – Single storey rear and side extensions – 76 New Hall Lane, Cambourne, Cambridge, CB23 6GE For – Mr & Mrs Chet and Sarva Babla

It was noted that this was a small extension which replaced an existing conservatory therefore the net change to the property was small. It was also noted that the matching materials had been indicated on the plan and this was commended.

It was:



RESOLVED to recommend for approval.

<u>S/1768/14/FL</u> – Single Storey rear extension and fenestration alteration – 9 Reans Meadow, Cambourne, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire, CB23 5AB For – Mr & Mrs Paul & Claire Francis

Cllr Mrs L Selway took no part in the discussion or vote on this item.

It was noted that the rear elevation shown on the plan is labelled as 'front' elevation.

It was felt that there was no overlooking or issues or concerns regarding the materials to be used.

It was:

RESOLVED to recommend for approval provided that the assumption made that what is labelled on the plan as the front elevation is in fact the rear elevation is correct.

For information only – additional information

<u>S/0569/14/DC</u> – Request to discharge Condition 11 (renewable energy) of the Reserved Matters application <u>S/2596/11</u> – Land Parcels 1C – 2A, Cambourne For – Bovis Homes Ltd

It was questioned as to why this particular parcel has had PV panels put on the properties and no other parcels.

It was:

RESOLVED to receive the letter and to seek clarification from Bovis Homes.

6. Correspondence

Peter Rae - Letter regarding the size of new build homes.

The Meeting was adjourned to allow Peter Rae to speak.

The Meeting was reconvened.

Concerns were raised regarding the lack of choice and flexibility in the internal configuration of homes; that there was a need for properties with a smaller number of larger rooms. There is also no future provision in Cambourne for the building of bungalows or for self-build plots

It was felt this is something the Parish Council could put pressure on the developers to address at pre-application presentations.

It was:

RESOLVED to receive the letter and to add it to the next Special Council meeting with MCA.

7. DRAINAGE ISSUES

There were no further updates.

The Chairman reported that no homes in Cambourne had been flooded during

the recent heavy rainfall but that there had been flooding issues in several neighbouring villages.

It was:

RESOLVED that the report be received.

8. ENFORCEMENT ISSUES:

There were no Enforcement Issues to report.

It was:

RESOLVED that the report be received.

9. DECISION NOTICES

No Decision Notices had been received.

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 2nd September 2014 7.00pm