

## Swilland and Witnessham Grouped Parish Council

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### MINUTES

#### Planning Committee Meeting

Monday 10th January 2022 at 7.30pm

The School Room, Witnessham Baptist Church

1. **Present:** Dr Nicol, Mrs Shaw, Mr Collings and Mr Barlow.  
**Apologies for absence:** Mr Hindle and Mr Henley  
In the absence of Mr Hindle (Chair) it was agreed that Dr Nicol should chair the meeting. Chair welcomed all to the meeting.
2. **Councillors' declarations of interest:** None
3. Minutes of the meeting of 7th December 2021 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chair.  
Clerk informed the meeting that the action to email ESC asking for the formal outcome of the enforcement case referring to on-site parking at Homeland House had been followed up and the ESC response had been circulated.
4. **ESC decisions received since the meeting of 7th December 2021:**
  - a) The Planning Appeal to the Planning Inspectorate for DC/21/0781/OUT, Kersey Croft Kennels Strugglers Lane Witnessham had been **allowed without conditions.**
  - b) DC/21/3375/FUL Red Court Swilland. PC "no objection". **ESC Permitted.**
  - c) DC/21/4383/FUL Deben Cottage High Road Swilland. PC "no objection". **ESC Refused.**
  - d) DC/21/4942/FUL 10 Coopers Close Witnessham. PC "no objection". **ESC permitted.**
5. **Planning Applications for Consideration**
  - a) Application: DC/21/5445/FUL **Leaside Lodge Upper Street Witnessham**  
Proposed part rear/part side single storey extension forming proposed attached garage and extended living area with roof terrace over.  
After viewing plans and elevations **the committee agreed on a "No Objection" response to ESC.**
  - b) DC/21/06447 (BMSDC) **Barn At Green Farm Ashbocking Green Ashbocking** Conversion, alteration, extensions to and change of use of timber frame barn and associated curtilage, erection of cart lodge, installation of package sewage treatment plant, new vehicular access to B1078 and structural landscaping following demolition of modern farm buildings.

Chair reminded the meeting that there had been a previous planning application on the site in 2019 to which the PC had objected to. The current application was discussed and concerns were raised about the proposed access road across agricultural land to the B1078. It was viewed that access to the B1077 should be considered. After discussion it was agreed that the B1078 access was viewed as an inappropriate solution, spoiling and opening up a large area of green field land to the North of the B1078. This large area of encapsulated land would then be difficult to resist for future development by MSDC. Additionally the B1078 is a busy road and the proposed access could become a potential accident spot. **Therefore the committee resolved to object to the application on the premise that the access is deemed inappropriate for such a distant development.**

- c) DC21/5692/FUL **Witnesham Hall Church Lane Witnesham** Alterations and Extension to Main House. After discussion the committee **agreed that no objections were held and to a "Support" response to ESC, based on that this is a much valued listed building within the community.**
- d) DC/21/5693/LBC **Witnesham Hall Church Lane Witnesham** LBC - Alterations and Extension to Main House, listed building consent. After discussion the committee **agreed on a "Support" response to ESC, based on that this is a much valued listed building within the community.**

**6. Matters to be brought to the attention of the Planning Committee.**

Clarification was asked for on COVID-19 precautions for the next PC meeting due in the Village Hall on 19<sup>th</sup> January. Clerk would re-circulate CAS advice on mask wearing and request that councillors attending should take a LFT test on the day of the meeting.

Meeting closed at 7:55 p.m.

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