

Swilland and Witnesham Grouped Parish Council

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MINUTES

Planning Committee Meeting

Monday 11th October 2021 at 7.30pm

The School Room, Witnesham Baptist Church

1. **Present:** Mr Hindle (Chair), Mrs Shaw, Mr Henley, Dr Nicol, Mr Collings and Mr Henley
In attendance: 2 members of the public
Apologies for absence: Mr Barlow
Chair welcomed all to the meeting and explained the protocol for public participation to all present.
2. **Councillors' declarations of interest:** The site in item 5a, is opposite Dr Nicol's property. The site in item 5b, is opposite Mrs Shaw's property.
3. Minutes of the meeting of 23rd September 2021 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chair.
4. **ESC decisions received since the meeting of 23rd September 2021:**
None.
5. **Planning Applications for Consideration**
 - a) Application: DC/21/4354/FUL **Meadow View Hall Lane Witnesham**
External alterations, single storey front and rear extension, new porch and garage.
Plans were shared and Chair gave an overview of the application. Main aspect change was relocation of the garage and the building lines coming forward, which was viewed to have minimum impact on Hall Lane. After a brief discussion, **the Committee agreed a decision of "No Objection"**.
 - b) Application: DC/21/4383/FUL **Deben Cottage High Road Swilland**
Demolition of existing garage, severance of part of side garden, creation of new double access and crossover, and erection of new single storey private dwelling.
Chair reminded the meeting of the fact that Swilland had no settlement boundary and was classed as "Countryside" in the ESC Local Plan. It was suggested that the proposal for a single dwelling fitted with policy SCLP5.4 (clusters) and SCLP5.7 (infill). Issues mentioned included access sightline of which, the criteria seemed to be met. Drainage was questioned and the use of a treatment plant. Also the design seemed pleasing with minimal overlooking. Comments from the applicant (present) when invited to comment by the chair, included references to sightline liaison with SCC Highways at pre-planning

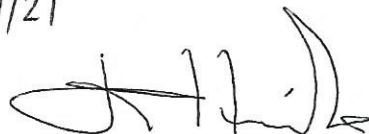
stage and drainage was preferably via mains drainage which was present in the locality. CGI images of the planned single storey dwelling were circulated. **The Committee discussed these points and agreed to a decision of "No Objection"** with the following comments: The height of the raised architectural feature in the design was questioned; some peripheral landscaping on the Deben Cottage boundary would be preferred; drainage needs to be clarified as mains or treatment plant.

6. Residential Amenity, High Road Swilland – some correspondence submitted to the PC from a local resident had been passed on to ESC. No further update.
7. Enforcement case and complaint: Homelands House Vehicles Parked Onsite – update and to consider reply received from ESC.
 - Latest information received confirmed that both the coaches had been removed from the site (one towed away).
 - The response from Stephen Baker was discussed and it was decided not to respond to him any further. Copy of the received response had been forwarded to the site near neighbours.
 - The noise complaint seems to be having more frequent monitoring by ESC.
8. Enforcement case Mill Lane Witnesham – Some of the timber had been removed to give a staggered height, with concrete pillars still at the original height. No further update from ESC.
9. Matters to be brought to the attention of the Planning Committee.

It was suggested that more PC members be sought and Clerk would take this forward. The neighbourhood Plan online presentation was set for 26th October 7:30pm via Zoom. It was suggested that the event should be advertised to residents. Clerk would take forward and share any correspondence with Mr Henley for the Facebook pages. The links to the local and central government sites Neighbourhood Plan documents would be re-circulated.

Meeting closed at 8:35 p.m.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'J. Henley', written below the date.