

Swilland and Witnessham Grouped Parish Council

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MINUTES

Planning Committee Meeting

Tuesday 12th April 2022 at 7.30pm

The School Room, Witnessham Baptist Church

1. **Present:** Dr Nicol, Mrs Shaw, Mr Barlow, Mr Burrows and Mr Hindle (Chair).
Apologies for absence: Mr Collings
Chair welcomed all to the meeting. Clerk explained to the meeting that a proposed new Committee member, Mr Burrows was present. It was agreed that Mr Burrows was to join the Committee and he was welcomed by all members. Chair gave him an overview of how the Planning Committee functions. It was also noted that the Standing Orders stated that seven members would be required in the Committee and another Committee member would be sought.
2. **Councillors' declarations of interest:** None
3. Minutes of the meeting of 28th February 2022 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chair.
4. **ESC decisions received since the meeting of 28th February 2022:**
 - a) DC/21/3925/FUL St Marys Church Church Lane Swilland. PC "supported". **ESC permitted.**
 - b) DC/21/06447 (BMSDC) Barn At Green Farm Ashbocking Green Ashbocking. PC "Objected". **BMSDC refused.**
 - c) DC/22/0029/FUL 2 Buttons Pond Ashbocking Road B1078 Witnessham. PC "No objections". **ESC permitted.**
 - d) DC/22/0201/FUL High Mill Cottage 3 High Road Swilland. PC "No objections". **ESC permitted.**
 - e) DC/22/0572/FUL Witnessham Nursing Home The Street Witnessham. PC "No response". **ESC permitted.**
5. **Planning Applications for Consideration**
 - a) Application: DC/22/0849/OUT **Homeland House Ashbocking Road Swilland** Outline Application (Some Matters Reserved) - Construction of 3 Bungalows and Garages (All Existing Buildings to be Demolished).
Chair gave an overview of the Outline Application and reminded the meeting of the long history of problems to residential amenity with the site. Both near neighbours had written to the PC and stated their support for the application and proposed change of use. After viewing plans and elevations **the committee agreed on a "support" response to ESC.** Reasoning was that

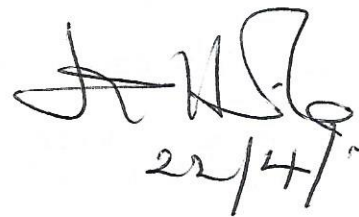
permitting residential use would improve the residential amenity of the area which had a poor history of noise disturbance. The PC asks ESC to relax adherence to Policy SLP 4.4 as in this case, there would be substantive planning benefit for establishing early residential use.

- b) DC/22/1101/FUL **Witnesham Hall Church Lane Witnesham** Change of Use - Coach House Annexe Building to full residential. Proposed internal alterations. Also DC/22/1105/LBC Listed Building Consent for the same property. After viewing plans and elevations **the committee agreed on a "support" response to ESC.** Reasoning was that there was no impact on the external appearance or the structure nor to the historic features of the building.**

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

The date of the next Planning Committee meeting was noted for Friday 22nd April with DC/22/0998/FUL Land East of B1077 Mow Hill Witnesham on the agenda. It was noted that 20 proposed dwellings for the Street Farm application and the 32 at Mow Hill amounted to 52 proposed new dwellings for that particular part of the village.

Meeting closed at 8:02 p.m.



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