

Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 16<sup>th</sup> January 2018 commencing at 7.30pm at the Village Hall.

Present: Mr W Pipe, Mr H Brightwell, Mr D Lugo, Mr Hodge, Ms Procter, Mrs J Ellinor, Mr T Beckett & Mrs C Frost (Clerk).

1. **Chairman's Welcome and Apologies.** Mr Pipe welcomed everyone present to the meeting. Apologies were received from Mr Vickery (County Councillor) & Mr Whiting (District councillor).
2. **Public Forum.** One member of public was present. No additional Items were raised other than those already on the Agenda. It was agreed that Planning Matters would be brought forward to the beginning of the meeting and that Application DC/18/0013/OUT would be brought forward to the beginning of Planning Matters.
3. **To receive declarations of interest.** There were none.
4. **Planning Matters – including:**
  - (a) Outline application DC18/0013/OUT – Land adjacent Fynn View, Fynn Lane, Tuddenham St Martin.  
Erection of two dwellings. The meeting was opened to the public. Concern was raised by a resident that there were only extremely brief details of the two dwellings proposed in the application and that it was immediately next to the Conservation Area. It was hoped that no more than a single storey bungalow would be permitted if the application were given the go ahead. It had also been noted that the 2 dwellings proposed were forward of the existing bungalows building line, close to the road, and this raised additional concern if more than a single storey bungalow were proposed. These comments and the application were then deliberated by the Parish Council at length. There was concern that the proposal was in an attractive single track country lane and at the lack of information about the proposed dwellings. There had been past communication with the District Council that any development in the village was prevented due to being categorised at 'Village Other' in the Local Plan and that there was a need to consider more modest appropriate development for downsizing opportunities. Attention was paid to SP28 of the Local Plan and the Parish Council were mindful that the Local Plan was under review. There was also frustration expressed that decisions by the Planning Dept. on some previous applications seemed to contradict policies in the Local Plan. A vote was taken as to whether to object to the application. 6 voted no objection, subject to appropriate development on the site and 1 voted objection. The response to the Planning Dept. was then agreed by the Parish Council to highlight that appropriate development should result in:
    - there being no more than 2 single storey 2 bedroom bungalows
    - the existing bungalows building line should be maintained as it is
    - the limited bus service through the village means it is essential to have a car and so adequate parking space would need to be provided for residents and visitors.The Clerk was also instructed to send to the Planning Dept., at the same time as the comments, a copy of the notes taken at the District Council and Town and Parish Council session which took place 20<sup>th</sup> September 2017.
  - (b) Application DC17/5370/FUL – Carswood, Clopton Rd, Tuddenham St Martin.  
Demolition of existing attached garage, front porch and side chimney, and erection of new two story extension, single storey front porch, and associated works. No objections were raised.
5. **To consider the Parish Council land at The Old Stores** Land Registry had written to confirm that Tuddenham St Martin Parish Council were the registered proprietor of the small piece of land at the rear of The Old Stores carpark. The ownership dispute was discussed, taking into account details from Section 127 of the Local Government Act 1972, and it was unanimously agreed to proceed with the parking licence on the terms agreed at the May 2017 meeting now that Land Registry had clarified the proprietor of the land.
6. **Items for next agenda**
  - (a) **Parish Council website and village communication.**
  - (b) **SAT NAV directions on Tuddenham roads.**
7. **Date of next meetings:** 6<sup>th</sup> March 2018.  
The meeting closed at 8.40pm.

Mrs C Frost  
Parish Clerk. Tuddenham St Martin