

## **STEEPLE MORDEN PARISH COUNCIL**

### **Minutes of the Parish Council Planning Meeting held on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2023 at 7.00pm in Steeple Morden Cricket Pavilion**

**Present:** Councillors: N Badger (Chairman), K Austin, N Sharkey, M Bird, C Upchurch,

In attendance: Mrs S Walmesley (Clerk), and no members of the public.

**In the absence of Cllr Clayton the meeting was chaired by Cllr Badger.**

#### **1 Apologies For Absence And Declarations Under The Code Of Conduct And Requests For Dispensations**

Apologies were received from Cllr Clayton, Cllr Carroll, Cllr Traverse-Healy and Cllr Parsons.

There were no declarations made.

#### **2 Comments And Observations From Parishioners And Members Of The Public**

There were no members of the public in attendance.

#### **3 Planning Applications**

##### **3.1 Planning Ref 23/01496/HFUL**

40 Hay Street -Installation of solar panels on the garden facing barn roof

***Recommendation Support.***

##### **3.2 Planning Ref 23/02034/FUL**

2A North Brook End -Change of use of existing building to No 1 dwelling house together with external and internal alterations

It was noted that this application had been refused on appeal previously. Councillors agreed that nothing had changed since the last application on which they recommended refusal. The application was outside of the village envelope and the only way it could be considered was if there was a change to the village boundary which would need to be part of the next Local Development Plan. Cllr Bird suggested the applicant be made aware of this and encouraged to make a request in the next LDC consultation.

***Recommendation -Object***

***Encroachment into countryside and outside of the village envelope.***

***The applicant could make a request in the next LDP consultation for the village envelope to be expanded.***

#### **4 Other Planning Issues**

##### **4.1 Planning Application Decisions**

Cllr Bird had put together a list of planning applications considered by the Parish Council over the past year which recorded their recommendations and the decision of the Planning Authority on the application. He expressed concern that on four of the applications the comments made in support of the Parish Council recommendation had not been noted by the Planning Authority. The Clerk stated that she had issues in the past with the SCDC planning portal where comments made had disappeared, but would investigate to see what had happened on these occasions.

#### **5 Councillors' items for information and requiring the urgent attention of the Clerk**

##### **5.1 Invitation to Magpies Presentation**

The Clerk advised that Magpies Secretary had invited Councillors to their presentation in Litlington on the 24<sup>th</sup> June 2023. She would forward the invite.

##### **5.2 Giggaclear Proposed Rollout**

A letter had been circulated advising of the broadband plans with an offer to discuss with Councillors at a meeting. This would be followed up at the Parish Council meeting on the 10<sup>th</sup> July.

There was no further business. The Chairman closed the meeting at 7.20 pm