

# **CLAYDON & WHITTON PARISH COUNCIL**

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#### **MINUTES**

CLAYDON AND WHITTON PARISH COUNCIL PLANNING COMMITTEE Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2021, 7.30pm at Claydon and Barham Village Hall

PRESENT: Cllrs G Cornish, C Cutler (from item PL-09-21-09), S Price, C Studd, S Wells

CHAIRPERSON: Cllr P Avis

IN ATTENDANCE: C Greenan (clerk) and Cllr J Whitehead

PL-09-21-01. Opening

Cllr Avis opened the meeting.

# PL-09-21-02. Public Forum

Cllr Wells spoke as a member of the public on item PL-09-21-06 DC/2104497. He highlighted that it is a common way to approach planning permission on Thurleston Lane to have a static caravan on site, to pay council tax, apply for retrospective planning permission and then apply to build on the location of the caravan. The caravan has been in place for over ten years. However, Cllr Wells asked the council to consider a neutral response to this application.

# PL-09-21-03. Apologies for Absence

Cllr Cutler due to attending another meeting. This reason for absence was accepted.

## PL-09-21-04. Declarations of Interest

Cllr Wells declared an interest in item PL-09-21-06 DC/2104497 and did not participate in the discussion or decision making for this item.

# PL-09-21-05. To receive the minutes of the meeting held 5th July 2021

The minutes of the meetings were approved and were signed as a correct record.

## PL-09-21-06. Planning Matters

#### DC/21/04358

Application for approval of Reserved Matters following approval of Outline Planning Permission DC/20/03891 dated: 17/02/2021 - Appearance, Landscaping, Layout, and Scale in relation to the

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Construction of Phase 8 Units 1 and 2 Class B8 Warehouse buildings including ancillary office space, production areas (Class E(g)) and car parking deck

Land At Blackacre Hill Bramford Road Great Blakenham Suffolk

Councillors were neutral about this application.

Consultation on Further EA3 Non-material Change

https://www.scottishpowerrenewables.com/pages/non\_material\_change\_application\_three\_to\_east\_anglia\_three.aspx

Councillors were neutral about this application.

#### DC/21/04497

Application for a Lawful Development Certificate for an Existing Use or Operation or activity including those in breach of a planning condition. Town and Country Planning Act 1990: Section 191 as amended by section 10 of the Planning and Compensation Act 1991. Town and Country Planning (General Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 - Continued use of land for the siting a residential caravan.

Caravan At Stable Cottage Thurleston Lane Whitton Suffolk IP1 6TH

Councillors asked Cllr Whitehead for further information about the process applied for enforcement of static caravans and the payment of council tax.

Councillors were neutral about this application.

## DC/21/04884

Householder Application - Erection of detached annex for elderly relative.

14 Willow Close Claydon Suffolk IP6 0DW

Councillors noted that this application was for a smaller annex than had previously been applied for and for which they had not objected.

Councillors had no objections to this proposal, but suggested that a condition of planning could be to only allow the annex to be used by a family member of the residents of 14 Willow Close.

## PL-09-21-07. Update on Planning Applications

The decision report was noted and is appended in the minute book.

## PL-09-21-08. Street Names Consultation

Parish Councillors were happy for Bellway and MSDC to decide on street names for the new estate in Whitton.

# PL-09-21-09. Border between Whitton Rural and Ipswich

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Councillors were made aware that Ipswich Borough Council may be keen to seek to become a unitary authority again, for which they will need to cover a larger area. IBC state in their Local Plan that they cannot deliver their housing targets within their current boundaries and appear to be keen to expand their area to meet their targets and their objectives relating to becoming a unitary authority. Councillors noted that IBC directly, and their arm's length companies, had bought land on the edges of Ipswich. The Parish Council had become aware that this includes a large parcel of land within the Parish located in the green belt between Ipswich Borough Council Urban boundary and Claydon. Despite efforts to establish the intention for this land no official position has been given, but it is of concern to councillors that it may be earmarked for development to assist IBC in meeting their targets. Councillors were concerned that should such development be allowed, that it may be a precursor for Claydon and other villages being seen as a part of Ipswich and potentially becoming part of a 'Greater' Ipswich should it become a unitary authority.

All councillors agreed that it was essential that Claydon and Whitton (rural) remain at a physical and administrative distance from Ipswich and that they retain the village nature of the area, rather than become a suburb of a larger Ipswich.

Councillors agreed to discuss this further at the full Parish Council meeting and start thinking about the plans, policies and documents that they will need in place in order to ensure that Claydon and Whitton can remain separate from Ipswich. The clerk agreed to make preliminary enquiries with SALC regarding appropriate professional services in preparation for the full Parish Council meeting.

PL-09-21-10. Items for next meeting

None

PL-09-21-11. Date of next meeting

1st November 2021

The meeting closed at 20:40

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