

## **Minutes of a meeting of the Planning Committee of Foxton Parish Council**

Held on 21<sup>st</sup> August 2017 at 7:30pm in the Parish Council Office.

**Present:** Malcolm Bore, Simon Bugey, Liam Elliott, Caroline Ilott.

**Apologies:** None.

District Councillor Deborah Roberts was also present.

### **Declarations of interest**

None.

### **Application S/2692/17/LB – 3 High Street, Foxton (Rachel Edgar)**

This application is for changes to the rear modern extension (install replacement staircase, reconfigure bathroom walls, create a study, install two conservation rooflights and relocate the boiler) and to the main historic cottages (install two conservation rooflights in the front elevation, create a doorway to the rear extension, remove plasterboard ceilings and replace the ground floor, modern fireplaces and pantry window).

These changes are mostly internal, and other than the rooflights to the front elevation (which will not overlook any other properties) would not change the street scene.

*The Parish Council recommends approval.*

### **Application S/2820/17/FL – 21 Cambridge Road, Foxton (Mr P Mead)**

This application is for an extension to an existing grain store, approximately doubling its size. There is currently no mention of machinery (for drying the grain) on the application.

*The Parish Council recommends approval, but asks that any new machinery added at a later date (such as fans and dryers) should be subject to a new planning application, due to the proximity of the site to residential properties on Barrington Road.*

### **Correspondence**

- A prior approval notice had been received for a single storey rear conservatory at 14 Station Road (Mrs Elizabeth Pyle).
- An amendment to S/1646/17/FL (erection of a dwelling in the rear garden of 57 Fowlmere Road) had been received, but not in time to discuss at this meeting. Mr Elliott

agreed to write to SCDC asking for an extension to the 14-day response period, so that it can be discussed at the next main Parish Council meeting.

- Notice had been received of an application to carry out tree works at 21 High Street, but again not in time to discuss at this meeting.
- Mr Bore had e-mailed SCDC chairman Peter Topping to follow up on his promise to chase up a review of the pre-application advice for Thriplow Farms' Grain Store; Mr Topping replied that he would redouble his efforts.

### **AOB**

- Land at Everglades (Cambridge Road) has now gone up for sale as a development opportunity.
- Sale of land on Station Road to provide access to the proposed development behind the press cottages: Members of the Parish Council attended the cabinet meeting held to discuss the sale of the access land and a portion of the garden at no. 21. Ron McCreery and Deborah Roberts spoke well, but their points were ignored as the decision to sell the land seemed to have already been made. Some District Councillors in attendance were appalled at the way the matter has been handled, so Mrs Roberts has e-mailed SCDC's principal legal officer Rory McKenna, asking for a call-in for the decision to be reviewed by the scrutiny committee at its next meeting on 7<sup>th</sup> September. She requested that the Parish Council write to Tony Ogee, chair of the scrutiny committee, indicating that we are aware of this request and support it. Mr Bore agreed to ask the Parish Council chairman to write.
- Neighbourhood Plan: Mr Bore has received the draft Housing Needs Assessment document from Aecom, and he and Mr McCreery have used it to put together some draft housing policies for the neighbourhood plan. The assessment indicates that 144 houses are needed between 2011 and 2013; 41 have already been built, and 26 more have outline planning permission, leaving 77 to be built over the next 14 years.
- Old school site: Mr Bore and Mr McCreery were due to meet with Stephen Conrad of CCC and the architect to discuss the options for this site, but the architect did not turn up so the discussion was postponed.

The meeting closed at 8:15pm.