

Minutes of Ashwellthorpe & Fundenhall Parish Council Meeting 19th June 2007.

Present: Mr B Duffin (Chairman) Mrs C Bushell (Vice Chairman) Mr H Smith, Mrs L Preston, Mr G Kelly, Mr J Brooks, Mr G Betts, Ms S Burton (Parish Clerk).

Apologies: None.

Before the meeting commenced Mr G Kelly proposed that he wished for the meeting to be abandoned, as the notices were not placed on the notice boards in the appropriate time scale for the meeting to be convened. Mr G Kelly was unable to obtain a seconder for his proposal, and Mr B Duffin asked the Parish Councillors for their views and opinions as to whether to continue with the meeting. It was agreed by ALL remaining Councillors present that the meeting continue but only essential items would be discussed.

Planning:

2007/1126 Mr S Read 58, The Street Ashwellthorpe, proposed conservatory extension to the rear of the property. Approved all in favour.

2007/1266 Mr S Cugnoni, 11 The Street Ashwellthorpe, erection of garage & workshop in place of existing caravan & shed. Refused unanimously.

Mr G Kelly complained that he felt it was an over development of the site, and that there was very little difference in size from the original plans.

The Parish Council felt overall that they wished to acknowledge that the applicant has reduced the footprint, but that the overall bulk and massing of the proposal is still not in keeping with the adjoining property, and that it dwarfs the original cottage with the footprint still being too large.

2007/1325 Taylors Garden Buildings, Norwich Road, Ashwellthorpe, demolition of existing building & erection of buildings for manufacture of timber garden buildings, storage, display, retail sales, and associated offices.

The Parish Council felt that the road entrance was a potential accident waiting to happen.

The Parish Council have previously requested to SNC that the site be addressed due to the danger that it presented, but the road is privately owned by the Industrial Estate owners and the District Council is powerless to enforce any action to improve the safety of the Road.

Mr B Duffin offered to make a phone call to Mr D Gumby at the Industrial Estate and try to arrange a meeting to discuss the potential dangers and try to reach a satisfactory outcome.

This offer was accepted by the Parish Council and Mr Duffin will report back at a later meeting.

The Parish Council felt that it would be better to visit the site on the evening of 19th June 2007 due to the short nature of the meeting and to make a decision once they had seen the site and viewed the plans.

Correspondence:

The letter from the Parish Council to Mrs L Packer & Mrs M Weiner of the 15th June was read out together with a reply from Mrs Packer & Mrs Weiner dated 19th June 2007.

Mr H Smith requested a letter of thanks be sent to NCC for the new footpath maps.

Ms S Burton tendered her resignation as Parish Clerk due to the fractious nature of the meeting on the 19th June 2007, and the outburst by Mr G Kelly previously. It was requested by Mr B Duffin and all other member of the Parish Council that Ms S Burton take a few days to re-consider her decision. Mr Duffin said he would call Ms Burton the next day.