CRINGLEFORD PARISH COUNCIL

ENVIRONMENT & PLANNING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Minutes from a Meeting of the Environment & Planning Committee held on 7 December 2016 at 10am at The Willow Centre, 1-13 Willowcroft Way, Cringleford.

(SB)

PRESENT: Professor M. Wagstaff – Chairman Mrs I Kirk Mr M Jalil Dr. A. Osbourne	(MW) (IK) (MJ) (AO)
IN ATTENDANCE:	

Sonya Blythe - Parish Clerk 6x members of the public.

1 Apologies for Absence

None received.

2 Declarations of Interest

None declared.

3 To Approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on 27 October 2016.

The minutes were approved and signed subject to the following corrections: -

Item 10 – the budget year should read 2016/17

4 To Discuss Matters Arising

The Clerk reported that there had been no decision received from South Norfolk Council on the planning applications discussed at the previous meeting.

5 Parishioners Question Time

Meeting closed at 19.33.

The Parish Council had previously been asked by Norfolk County Council (NCC) (Council, October 2016) to comment on a planning application for changes to Newmarket Road, which it had not objected to (Proposed Cringleford - Newmarket Road Prohibition of Waiting and Slip Road Cycle Lane Orders 2016 (Vf 51774)). Parishioners advised EPAG that the planning application had been significantly changed, which CPC had not been

informed about. The amendment proposed to extend yellow lines to the full length of old Newmarket Road, which would prevent parishioners and their guests being able to park outside their properties. The parishioners present advised that they had written to NCC to object to these proposals and had suggested alternative options.

Meeting reopened at 19:52.

6 Correspondence.

6.1 Newmarket Road. Further to the points made by parishioners during item 5, EPAG agreed to fully support the opposition to the amended scheme.

A response would be sent, requesting that:

- The original plans of installing yellow lines from the entrance of Newmarket Road to number 80 only be reverted to, with the rest of the road being left as it currently is;
- "Access only" signs should be installed to prevent cars cutting through this narrow area from Roundhouse Way.
- Consideration be given to moving the cycleway to the southside of the A11 which would be a much safer location as there are no houses / parked cars to cause hazards. With the work currently ongoing by NCC Highways via the Push the Pedalways project, this would only require a small extension to that to bring about a solution that works for all.
- **6.2** Affordable Housing correspondence from South Norfolk Council advising that Cringleford was now eligible to have affordable housing built within the parish was noted.

7 Land Fund Update

No update.

8 Barratt Homes Update

MW advised that he and the Clerk had met with Andrew Taylor from Barratt David Wilson Homes on 19 December 2016. He had reported that he hoped to have the reserved matters completed by March 2017, with consultation starting shortly afterwards. It was expected that building work would commence late 2017 / early 2018, with highways possibly starting sooner. Discussions were being carried out with Land Fund regarding access to Roundhouse Way.

The design code was circulated and comments were generally favourable. It was noted that there was a pleasing amount of green areas planned in. However comments would be made that parking / highways issues should be considered, in order to prevent a repeat of the issues experienced on Roundhouse Park. MW to draft a response.

MW

Clerk

9 S106 Update including football pitch at The Willow Centre

Nothing to report.

10 To consider the following planning applications:

10.1 2016/2950 –16 Ashcroft Close - Remove 5x poplars (previously topped). Coppice Hazel tree. Silver Birch, remove small topped tree two adjacent trees. Fell willow tree near garage. All other willow tress coppice. All Hawthorns trees maintain at a height of 2-3 metres. Remove largest Oak near to fence and maintain the adjacent 2 oaks at a height of 3 metres. Remove 2x oak and 2x holly still in grounds near to fence.

It was noted that it is not clear whether the trees were located within the applicants garden or on the neighboring strip of land. There was also no information available on why the trees had to be removed. The Clerk would request more information before approval could be given.

- 10.2 2016/2741 4 Newmarket Road; alteration of an existing wall to provide an entrance to the highway with improved visibility. no objection.
- 10.3 2016/2942 discussed at item 8.
- 10.4 Rugby club MW reported that the call-in request had been denied. Colney Parish and the Yare Valley Society were considering options to further object.

Clerk to submit comments.

11 Items for Next Agenda:

Newmarket Road update MW annual planning report.

12 Date of Next Meeting

1 February 2017, 7.30pm

Meeting closed at 20:29