

CRINGLEFORD PARISH COUNCIL

ENVIRONMENT & PLANNING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Minutes from a Meeting of the Environment & Planning Committee held on 5 April 2017 at 7.30pm at The Willow Centre, 1-13 Willowcroft Way, Cringleford.

PRESENT:

Professor M. Wagstaff – Chairman	(MW)
Mr M Jalil	(MJ)
Mr M Metcalfe	(MM)

IN ATTENDANCE:

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

Parishioners Question Time

Residents raised the matter of plans which had been submitted by Land Fund and Highways England for comment. The Chairman advised that the Land Fund application had only made minor changes to the pre-approved design plan, which CPC had not objected to. The next stage of the process would be applying for formal planning permission at which stage CPC would be asked to comment formally.

Regarding the Highways England consultation on the Thickthorn interchange, objections were raised by residents on the impact that the plans would have on Cantley Lane. The lane was already busy and fears were raised that, by opening it up fully in addition to the new housing estate nearby, the road would become a “rat-run”. Residents’ were advised to ensure that they all sent their own responses to the consultation. CPCs response would be discussed under item 8.

1 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllr Kirk.

2 Declarations of Interest

None raised.

3 To Approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on 1 March 2017.

The minutes were approved and signed.

4 To Discuss Matters Arising

MW reported that information pertaining to the closure of the Newmarket Road sliproad whilst a cycleway was installed was incorrect. The work would be combined with other works in the future.

5 Land Fund Update

MW reported that he and the Clerk had met with the agents to discuss modifications to the design code - splitting the land in order to sell to more than one developer, and building a larger flagship shop instead of several shops of similar proportions. MW had raised the issue of flooding on Cantley Lane and had been assured that the existing problems would not be exacerbated.

6 Barratt Homes Update

The amended design statement had been approved by South Norfolk Council (SNC).

7 S106 Update including football pitch at The Willow Centre

CPC's solicitor was chasing Kier's solicitor for information. The Clerk was asked to check with Sports England and SNC regarding the construction of the field.

Clerk

8 To consider a response to the Thickthorn Junction Improvement consultation

MW reported that several consultations had been held for councillors and the public to attend. CPC would need to submit a response by 21 April 2017. Further to the discussion held under Public Question Time, it was **agreed** to wait for the comments from Cantley Lane residents to be submitted to CPC, who would then endorse the comments in their own response, which would be finalised at full Council on 13 April.

9 Correspondence.

9.1 Norfolk County Council – the Eaton / Cringleford Cycleway had been put on hold due to funding issues.

9.2 Transport for Norwich - Advice had been received regarding a tree planting proposal on Newmarket Road. Additional correspondence had then been received to advise that this had been delayed due to funding. It was agreed to support this in principle, subject to the Clerk establishing who would have responsibility for maintaining the trees.

Clerk

9.3 Norfolk County Council – an updated plan had been received showing proposed “at any time” waiting restrictions, time limited parking and bus stop clearways. These had been agreed to via email due to the specified deadline.

9.4 Parking on Gurney Lane – correspondence had been received from a resident regarding cars being parked outside their property making it difficult for them to use their driveway. This would be forwarded to Highways for a response. **Clerk**

9.5 Highways England – improvement plans for the East of England were noted.

9.6 Cringleford Business Centre – correspondence commenting on parking on Intwood Road by users of the business centre was received. It was agreed to contact the business centre and request that they allocate parking to their hirers more appropriately. **Clerk**

10 To consider the following planning applications:

10.1 2017/0391 70 Colney Lane Demolition of garage and erection of two storey rear extension and re-ordering hip roof to gable. Councillors requested that ridge lines on the plans be checked as these did not appear to be accurate. They also raised concerns regarding whether a flat roof connecting two wings would be viable. Subject to these two items being checked by Planning there were no objections.

10.2 2017/0660 17 Aspen Way, Two storey rear extension. The listing contained an error regarding the location of the extension. It would be at the front rather than the rear. This would be reported to Planning along with a request for information on the proposed use of the new rooms.

10.3 2016/0764 – Land west of Intwood Road, Keswick. CPCs comments of 6 May 2016 would be resubmitted.

Clerk to submit comments.

Clerk

11 Items for Next Agenda:

Update on Thickthorn consultation.

The Chairman reported that Colney Parish Council were still looking at options to modify the rugby club / UEA development.

12 Date of Next Meeting

3 May 2017, 7.30pm

Meeting closed at 20:35