# **CRINGLEFORD PARISH COUNCIL**

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# A meeting of the Planning and Environment Committee was held on Wednesday 1 November 2023 at 7.30pm in The Willow Centre

#### Minutes

**Present:** Professor T Wang – Chairman (TW) Mr R Simmons (RS)

Mr E Coulthard (EC) Mr S Chapman (SC) (from 19:35)

In attendance: Sonya Blythe (Parish Clerk)

#### 1. To receive apologies for absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Mrs Miller.

### 2. To receive declaration of interests in items on the agenda

None.

# 3. To receive questions or comments from the public

None present.

# 4. To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 4 October 2023

The minutes of the meeting were **approved** and signed by the Chairman.

#### 5. To consider any matters arising

The Clerk would confirm when works on the London Plane trees would take place.

#### 6. Planning Applications

SC arrived at 19.35pm

6.1 2023/3025, Colney Lane - Erection of new pool house side extension and patio stairs. Objection, due to concerns regarding damage to the trees in the neighbouring garden and regarding the lack of clarity in the uploaded documentation - i.e inconsistencies between the two uploaded tree reports. The height / massing of the building would also be inappropriate for the location and

street scene. Finally there had been no Design and Access Statement made available.

# 6.2 To consider time-sensitive planning applications which have been received since distribution of the agenda

2018/2788 - Reserved Matters details of appearance, layout, scale and landscaping following outline permission 2017/2120, for RM-APP-6 comprising 29 dwellings together with associated landscaping and infrastructure, Area BS6 South of Newmarket Road Cringleford

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The above applications were taken together. It was **agreed** to maintain the current objection to the applications, regarding the housing density and- footpath being removed, as this had not been addressed.

#### Clerk to submit responses

# 6.3 To note and ratify planning applications responded to since the last meeting due to the deadline date:

2023/2543 Proposed replacement dwelling (amended) - no objection.

# 6.4 To note the enforcement report.

The report was received.

#### 7. To receive an update on matters affecting new developments

7.1 Big Sky (St Giles Park).

A meeting was held with Big Sky on 11 October. Big Sky had reported that they hoped to resume work onsite shortly as a credit scheme to offset Nutrient Neutrality had been agreed.

Access to the A11 from their site had been raised. Big Sky had advised that work would not be carried out on this area currently as the amendments to Thickthorn roundabout would likely affect the area.

#### 7.2 Tilia Homes (Roundhouse Gate)

A meeting had been requested to discuss various sites. Tilia had responded to say they were too busy for a meeting. It was noted that they had submitted revised plans for the reserved school site to SNC Planning.

7.3 Barratt David Wilson Homes / Crest Nicholson (Cringleford Heights)

A meeting had been held with the developers with various matters discussed. It was likely that allotments and the first play area would be adopted in spring 2024. The roundabout in Colney Lane would open in November 2023. They also advised that they had members of staff happy to contribute time to community projects.

# 8 To receive an update on the forthcoming sports hall and agree actions where necessary.

SC reported that the build was running roughly to schedule. The foundations were down and the steels were almost all installed. The nursery Heads of Terms had been informally agreed and would be submitted to the solicitors shortly.

A site meeting had been held to look at Cosentino cladding. This had been recommended by the developers as it was inorganic, inflammable and graffiti proof. It would be heavier than the original cladding, but calculations had demonstrated that it would be safe for the building. Councillors **approved** the choice of cladding in umber colour. If within budget mitered edging would be preferred, it not then it would have overlapping edges.

TW reported that Scottish Power had withdrawn their offer to supply and install electric vehicle chargers at The Jubilee Centre as they had concerns regarding costs, despite all of their questions being answered. Developers had been authorised to continue to install the cabling as this was within the original budget. CPC would then pay an additional £7k from contingency funds to bring cabling from the building to the EV kiosk in the carpark. Any contractor would then be able to connect to this. Other companies would now be contacted.

It had become apparent that the overflow carpark would be left a grassed area under the current plans. Therefore quotes would be requested from the developer to surface this with grasscrete.

# **Action Clerk**

# 9 To receive and approve the street lighting tender

Three tender documents had been received and a comparison spreadsheet was considered. It was **agreed** that Cozens UK be appointed for three years, with an option to extend a further two years. The contract would start from 1 January 2024. **Action Clerk** 

# 10 To consider and sign engrossment transfer for Roundhouse Park bus stop land.

The contract to adopt land that had housed two bus shelters on Dragonfly Lane was considered. It was **agreed** to adopt the two areas and was signed by SC and TW. Clerk to return to Solicitor

# 11 To receive and agree actions for correspondence:

- 11.1 Risk assessment for Cringleford Pond South Norfolk Council had supplied their risk assessment for a pond on Roundhouse Way. The Clerk was asked to ascertain:
  - Whether "visitors" included members of public;
  - Falling into deep water risk had warning signs been considered as there was a question mark on the sentence;
  - Whether a life belt had been considered for the site.

# **Action Clerk**

11.2 Update on the Greater Norwich Local Plan. Minor changes noted.

# 11.3 To consider time-sensitive correspondence which has been received since distribution of the agenda.

None.

12 To suggest items for the next agenda

None

#### 13 To note items for the next newsletter

Update on mobile post office

#### 14 To agree a summary of items to take to Council

None

**15 To agree the date of the next meeting - agreed** as 6 December 2023.

Meeting closed at 21:20