

Gedney Hill Parish Council

Minutes of the Gedney Hill Parish Council Meeting held on Monday
11th September in the Memorial Hall at 19.30 hours.

Present:

Councillors K. James (Chairman)
D. Mann
I. Coles
P. Redgate
J. Venters

Minutes: Miss. D. Leedham (Parish Clerk)

Apologies for Absence:

None

Opening

Cllr James opened by acknowledging that the meeting had been requested by Parishioners to specifically discuss Planning Application H07-0786-17.

He advised on a separate note that complaints in regards to industrial traffic relating to 1 North Road needs to be reported to the Police via 101. Cllr James also noted that the Playing field had been mowed.

Cllr James explained the process of Planning Applications and advised that the Parish Council were able to take on board the views of the Parishioners however the Parish Council would need to assess the Planning Application with the view of the Parish as a whole.

He further stated that all interested parties should contact the planning office themselves, independent from the comments raised by the Parish Council, as individual views may differ from those of the Parish Council.

Declarations of Interest in the following agenda:

Cllr James and Cllr Venters due to close residential proximity to site.

Cllr James stepped down from chairing the meeting due to his declaration of interest in this matter and proceedings were conducted by Vice Chairman Cllr Mann.

Planning Application H07-0786-17 North Road, Gedney Hill

Cllr Mann advised the meeting of the planning application due to be discussed and opened the meeting to the public to allow concerns. Concerns raised were as follows:

Environmental impact – Concerns were raised by Parishioners in relation to the impact on wildlife of developing the site, including owls, grass snakes and the possibility of newts. Parishioners advised they had already contacted David Gedney at SHDC. Concerns were also raised in relation to the cutting down of hedging/trees at the front of site. Councillors advised Parishioners that guidelines had been followed in relation to this. Cllr Mann noted that the field had not been ploughed in living memory.

Water table/front drainage/Sewage - Concerns were raised by Parishioners over flooding on site and impact on local residences. Cllr Redgate referred Parishioners to the Drainage Board letter on the planning application. Parishioners were advised of the outcome of the letter. Councillors agreed that comments needed to be made to SHDC on concerns over the front of the site being adequately drained and piped.

Cllr James questioned the ownership of the drain to the south side of the site and where responsibility for maintenance would lie. Comment to be passed to SHDC. Concerns were also raised in relation to risk of contamination of waterways from sewage if an adequate system was not installed. Comment to be passed to SHDC.

Management of site equipment – Health and Safety concerns were raised relating to site management, vehicles loading and unloading on road, mud on road and access to the footpath as it is the only footpath for access to the Primary School. Councillors agreed to make comments to SHDC.

Access to rear – Concerns were raised in relation to access to the rear of the site. Councillors agreed. Comments to SHDC.

Sale of land – Parishioners raised concerns of the sale of the land. The Parish Council advised that they were unable to comment as the land had belonged to the Lincolnshire diocese.

Cllr Redgate commented on whether the land might be archeologically significant as it had not been ploughed.

Parishioners including thanked the Parish Council for holding the meeting.

Meeting Closed at 20.23 hours.

Dates of Next Meetings:

The date of the next meeting will be Monday 23rd October 2017 in the Memorial Hall at 18.30 hours.

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