

MINUTES of the Planning Committee meeting held on Monday 12th December 2011, at 7.30 p.m. at The Old School Centre.

Open Forum:

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting; nothing was raised by those present.

PL 1-12-11 Record of members present

Cllr Glyn Richards - Chairman, Cllrs Peter Kelly, Jane Maunder, John Summers, Greg Wall, and Donald Wiseman were present; Julia Willoughby the Clerk to the Council was in attendance. One member of the public was present.

PL 2-12-11 Apologies for absence

Apologies have been received from Cllrs Mark Copleston, Mandy Haley, Laura Howe, John King, and Donna Warne.

PL 3-12-11 Declarations of interest (nature and extent) with regard to items on the agenda

Cllr Donald Wiseman declared a personal interest in application 0579/11 as he knows the applicant.

Cllr Glyn Richards declared a personal interest in application 0579/11 as the applicant is a tenant of the Old School Centre (where Cllr Richards is the Manager) and application 0587/11 as it is close to his home.

Cllr Richards declared a prejudicial interest in application 0583/11 as the applicant is a director of the Old School Centre.

PL 4-12-11 Public participation session with respect to items on the agenda

Mrs Harvey offered to answer any questions regarding her planning application.

PL 5-12-11 Planning matters:

A) Confirmation of the minutes of the meeting held on 14th November, and report any matters arising - for information only

The minutes were confirmed and signed.

Emails from Mr Lake have been forwarded to Mr Belli at DNPA (no copy of a response has been received).

An officer at DNPA will investigate the possibility that someone is living at Stidston Stables. The Snow Warden scheme may not go ahead in South Brent; the matter is included on the agenda for the Parish Council meeting to be held on 19th December.

B) Decisions:

0486/11 Retrospective application for the construction of a levelled yard and turning area, land adjacent to Badworthy Brook, Higher Badworthy, South Brent; application refused.

0487/11 Agricultural storage building (12mx7m), land adjacent to Badworthy Brook, Higher Badworthy, South Brent; application refused.

0513/11 Single storey extension to front of dwelling at 13 Brookwood Close, South Brent; application granted.

0520/11 Revisions to permission 0869/07 to include extension to cottage 2, new garages to serve cottage 1 & barns 1 & 2, parking to cottage 1 and minor revisions to the conversion of the barns at Brent Mill Farm, South Brent; application granted.

0536/11 Erection of porch and ramp for disabled access into dwelling at 22 Bishops Mead, South Brent; application granted.

0067/11 Alleged unauthorised caravan used as a dwelling at Lower East Moore Farm, Diptford, Totnes; application for retention of mobile home granted.

C) Applications:

0579/11 Replace railings and repair stone wall at front of house; create bin store and erect railings on top of porch at Albert House, South Brent; the Parish Council supports this application which will improve the setting in this location adjacent to Listed structures.

0583/11 (*Chairmanship of the meeting was passed to Cllr Greg Wall; Cllr Glyn Richards left the room whilst this application was discussed.*) Erection of hay/feed, machinery store and lambing shelter (15m x 10m) at Hillside, South Brent (land to the north of Stidston Lane). The Parish Council objects to this application due to the size, location and any overriding justification for the proposed building, which will adversely affect the character and appearance of this part of the Dartmoor National Park.

0587/11 Rear decking area (retrospective) at Moorland Childhood Centre, Little Orchard, Exeter Road, South Brent; the Parish Council has no objection to this application.

Tree Preservation Order: proposed crown lifting of oak tree adjacent to 50 Clobells, South Brent; the Parish Council has no objection to this application, subject to the reduction of the spread of the crown by no more than 2.5 metres, and the work being carried out sympathetically to conserve the attractive shape of the tree.

D) Any Amended applications

0522/11 Installation of external flue for wood burner at Rockall, High Leigh, South Brent; the Parish Council has no objection to this application.

E) Correspondence:

- SHDC statement of community involvement; Cllr Mark Copleston has contacted the Chairman to advise that he has a few comments which can be passed on to SHDC by the clerk; this was agreed by the Committee.
- DNPA Design Guide has been published; noted.
- DNPA response to query regarding roof tiles at 11 Clobells; an officer at DNPA has been assured by the owner that the new tiles are the same as the existing, and will weather to the same colour over time; noted.

PL 6-12-11 Items for the next agenda

None.

The meeting closed at 8.05 p.m.