



St Andrews Parish Council

**Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting
Held on Wednesday 13th of March 2023, 7:00pm
at the Parish Council Office, Redhouse Community Centre,
Frankel Avenue, Swindon**

Councillors Present: Cllr Paul Morris, Cllr Bradley Willaims, Cllr Kola Beyioku* and Cllr Vince Williams (Chairman)
Officer Present: Debbie Braiden, Deputy Clerk
Public Present: 2 (The owner of Church Farm, Widhill Farm Lane, and her architect, Mr Henham, from Thames Architecture Ltd)

*Cllr Beyioku joined at 7:05 pm

27. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None received; however, it was noted Cllr V Tomlinson was absent due to ill health.

28. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Cllr V Williams declared an interest in application S/HOU/23/0146, 83 Thornhill Drive. He confirmed that he had already made a comment as a resident.

29. MINUTES

RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 16th January 2023.

30. PUBLIC RECESS

Mr Henham was invited to take the floor. He was representing the owners of The Bungalow, Church Farm, Widhill Farm Lane, SN26 8DD. He explained the owners were presenting their pre-application designs to the parish council to seek their thoughts and open pre-application dialogues. Mr Henham confirmed that all agricultural ties to the bungalow have been removed. The existing bungalow was in a very rural setting with a long driveway. They presented plans to the councillors outlining the design of what they were hoping to achieve. It is the intention of the owners to continue living in the bungalow during the proposed construction works for the new build. The bungalow would eventually be incorporated into the new build, and they would become one dwelling. The owners have already had ecological surveys carried out, and they intend for the landscaping to be in keeping of the rural setting and plan to plant wildflowers in the surrounding grass land. Mr Henham closed his presentation and confirmed that the planning application would be processed in about a month. Comments from the members were favourable considering parking availability and the ecological survey and planting.

31. CORRESPONDENCE

- (i) Members noted and discussed the 'Call for Sites', from SBC. They agreed the council does not have relevant land available to put forward.
- (ii) Members were sent details for the Government prospectus for the revision of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) and they noted that comments were due by 2nd March. The clerk confirmed no comments were received.

32. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- (i) Members considered two planning applications and one appeal. They **RESOLVED** to comment as follows:

S/HOU/23/0146 – 83 Thornhill Drive, Swindon SN25 4GG
Conversion of garage into habitable space (**Retrospective**)

Object – In line with SBC planning requirements, to have at least two car parking spaces within the property boundary and with this being retrospective permission, it is noted the car parking spaces have not yet been completed.

S/HOU/23/0187 – 34 Fitwell Road, Swindon SN25 2EZ
Erection of a single storey rear and 1st floor side extension with car port.
Not considered as a notice of withdrawal had been received from SBC.

S/HOU/23/0173 – 3 Reynolds Way, St Andrews, Swindon SN25 4GF
Erection of a single storey side and rear extension.
No objections.

APP/U3935/W/22/3306629 (App Ref: S/21/1986) – Land at Latham Road, Abbey Meads, Swindon.
Erection of a storage and distribution centre, Class B8, with ancillary offices and welfare facilities, service yard, parking areas, landscaping and other associated works without compliance with condition 3 (Highway infrastructure Improvements) from previous permission S/21/0274.
Members still stand by their previous comments made on 4th February 2022.

- (ii) Members considered the following post agenda applications. No comments were applicable from the parish council for them.

S/HOU/23/0187/JAAB – 34 Fitwell Road, Redhouse, Swindon SN25 2EZ
Erection of single storey rear and 1st floor side extension with car port.
Application WITHDRAWN – as noted above in 32. (i).

S/LDP/23/0192/PIMO – Tadpole Farm, Tadpole Lane, Blunsdon St Andrew SN26 8DZ
Certificate of Lawfulness (Proposed) for the removal of chimneys

S/TPO/23/0060/TIST – 5 Sandstone Road, Swindon SN25 2FE
Works to tree within BOS (No. 1) 1987
It was noted SBC had already granted permission.

- (iii) There were no delegated decisions made.

33. DECISION NOTICES RECEIVED

The following decisions were noted:

- (i) **S/ADV/22/1410/HEAS**
Abbey Stadium, Lady Lane, Swindon SN2 4DN
Display of 2 x non illuminated signs facing both directions of B4534 & 1 hoarding sign facing the B4019
DECISION - Granted.
- (ii) **S/TWC/23/0066/TIST**
23 Lyall Close, Blunsdon St Andrew, Swindon Wilts SN25 2EH

Works to trees within a conservation area.

DECISION – Granted.

(iii) **S/HOU/22/1569/JAAB**

125 Redhouse Way, Redhouse, Swindon SN25 2AY

Erection of a two-storey side extension and conversion of garage into habitable space.

DECISION – Refused.

(iv) **S/ADV/22/1601/JP**

Strawberry Thief, 31 Mackay Crescent, Swindon SN25 2RA

DECISION – Granted.

The meeting closed at 7:40pm.

Chairman _____

Date _____