

MEDSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Planning Committee held on 13th October 2021

PRESENT: Councillors Charles Clark (Chair), Phil Quinlan, Mike (Ja) Smith and Mike (Jo) Smith.

Also present: Peter Baston (Parish Clerk).

21.76 OPEN SESSION

None.

21.77 APOLOGIES.

None

21.78 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Mike (Ja) Smith declared an interest in EHDC case reference 20253/024.

21.79 MINUTES

- i. The minutes of the meeting held on the 8th September 2021, previously circulated were agreed as a true record, proposed by Cllr Mike (Ja) Smith and second by Cllr Mike (Jo) Smith and were signed by the Chair.
- ii. The Clerk reported that the Planning Inspectorate Appeal for the traveller site is likely to be held at Medstead Village Hall. Any lost revenue due to booking cancellations at the Village Hall during the time when the Appeal is being heard, will be covered by Medstead Parish Council.

21.80 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The big news would be the apparent revised thinking by EHDC in respect for the housing needs targets for the area and their open letter to Michael Gove MP, the new minister for Local Government, highlighting in particular the effect the South Downs National Park has on the housing numbers in the remaining 43% of the district.

In addition, as reported in the national press on 7th October, the Government are set to abandon proposals for an overhaul of the planning rules, the PM "pledging no homes on green field sites". It is far too early to speculate on what this might mean for Chawton Park Farm, but it might seem that the White Paper concerned may be altered, amended or maybe even replaced., and the need for 300,000 house a year may be reviewed. Watch this space!

On the home front there is nothing of any note to report that may be covered elsewhere, but can I take this opportunity to thank Cllr Jackson for chairing the last Planning Comm meeting in my absence.

21.81 EHDC DECISION NOTICES

Reference No: 56499/001 Location: Marls Row, Trinity Hill, Medstead, Alton Proposal: Detached dwelling and garage (updated ecological survey received

5/7/2021). Decision: REFUSAL

Reference No: 26602/006 Location: Clevedon, Windsor Road, Medstead, Alton, GU34 5EF Proposal: Single-storey detached garden room, with attached store-room, in the front

garden. Decision: PERMISSION

21.82 UNITED REFORM CHURCH(URC) - PROPERTY SALE

Cllr Clark reported on an informal meeting he had with a potential purchase of the URC building. However, the purchaser has now withdrawn any further interest in the site and will not be buying.

21.83 PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

i. 51988/001

Single storey extensions to front, side and rear, raised patio, and new pitched roof over existing garage. Hill Copse, Red Hill, Medstead, Alton, GU34 5EE.

Medstead Parish Council have reviewed the details of the application and should the Planning Officer be minded to approve, then would wish to see a condition that the development cannot be converted to additional habitable accommodation otherwise have no objection.

ii. 20154/006

Car port in the front garden area

Southdown House, South Town Road, Medstead, Alton, GU34 5PP.

Medstead Parish Council have reviewed the application and have no objection.

iii. 20253/024

2xOak-(T1,T2)-Reduce branches back to the fence line. Sycamore-T3-Fell.

There were no further matters to discuss and the meeting was closed at 6.50pm.

Mansfield Business Park, Station Approach, Medstead, Alton

Medstead Parish Council have reviewed the application and will leave this to the EHDC arboreal officer to decide. However, Medstead Parish Council would like to remind the Planning Authority to take account of the neighbouring tree report which was carried out for the Cala Homes development which borders this site.

Signed Chairman	Date