

SYMONDSBURY PARISH COUNCIL

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Symondsbury Parish Council Planning Committee

Tuesday 14th June, 18.30pm

Meeting in Person

Held Symondsbury Church at Eype Schoolroom

Committee Members:

Cllr S Ralph - SR Chairman

Cllr S Evans - SE

Cllr S Ainley - SA

Cllr P Colfox - PC

In Attendance:

Public: .Rachel Gersfield, Trudy Loud

1. Welcome and apologies:

1.1 The Chairman opened the meeting and thanked attendees for coming. Apologies were received from Cllrs J Roddy and P Hartman.

1.2 Cllr. S. Ainley and Cllr. P Colfox were co-opted onto the Planning Committee for the meeting.

2. Declarations of interest: None

3. Approval of the minutes of the May Meeting:

3.1 The minutes of the May 2022 Planning Committee meeting were confirmed as accurate notes of the meeting and were approved.

4. Correspondence List (previously circulated)

4.1 No correspondence had been received.

5. DEMOCRATIC HALF HOUR during which members of the public are invited to raise general matters of interest.

Rachel Gersfield expressed her concerns about the planning application for three houses on the land at Watton Lane. She has lived at The Croft, Broad Lane for the past 10 years. Originally her bungalow has a view over the field behind. Since 2018 she has had a view of a building site. One dwelling has been completed and she is concerned that the application for a further two will continue to disturb her peace. She complained of a lack of privacy and noise. She pleaded the Symondsburry Parish Council give a clear signal to Dorset Council that she and her neighbours object and cannot understand how planning can or would be permitted in an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

Trudy Loud expressed her concerns about the volume of traffic using Broad Lane and Skilling Hill. She has noticed an ever increasing number of motorhomes and caravans using the lane en-route to Highlands End Holiday Park. She too objects to the application for planning on the land at Watton Lane because of her fears of yet more increased traffic.

6. Planning Applications and to consider any other planning/enforcement issues: (public verbal comments limited to 3 minutes per representation prior to Committee consideration).

6.1 Application No: P/FUL/2022/03261 Land at Watton Lane,

6.1.1 The Chairman the committee had they all read the report from Paul Hartman. All present confirmed they had. Concerns were raised by PC and DE that the land owners were preparing the site for further development on the assumption they would receive planning. It was proposed the clerk contacts Dorset Council Enforcement Officer to check. Unanimous decision to object on the grounds of overdevelopment in an AONB.

Decision: Object

6.2 Application No: P/RES/2022/02839 Little Paddocks Broad Lane

Paul Hartman's report stated the proposal maintains the same footprint of the existing building. The proposals will provide for a raised new roof which in turn will improve in thermal environment of this area of the property, especially in this exposed position. The new roof pitch fits within the existing parameters of windows on the south elevation and on the East elevation is stopped by a new parapet wall. The existing door access on the East elevation to the existing conservatory will be removed and replaced with a new window.

6.1.2 Consideration: The form of the extension, the materials suggested and building element typology were considered appropriate for the dwelling. The proposals were in keeping with the immediate environs and were not considered detrimental to the AONB or Heritage Coast.

6.2.2 Conclusion: The Planning Committee confirmed it was unanimous in approving the original application.

Decision: Approve

Our next Planning meeting will be held at Symondsburry Church at 7pm, Tuesday July 5th providing there are planning applications to discuss.

Meeting closed 6.50pm.