

# North Wootton Parish Council



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**Minutes of the Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting of North Wootton Parish Council held in the North Wootton Village Hall on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2018.**

**PRESENT** Cllr S Shimmin (Chairman), Cllr A Bovey, Cllr M Hoddinott and Cllr M Smith

Five members of the public were also present.

The Chairman opened the meeting at 19.30.

**1. Apologies for absence**

Apologies were received from Cllr Townend and the clerk, Ms Brinton. Messrs Lee Wright and Pat Bridgeman, who would have spoken in support of the applications had they been available, also sent their apologies.

**2. Declarations of interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

**3. Planning Matters**

Standing orders were suspended to allow members of the public to speak on the two applications on the agenda, 2018/2843/APP and 2018/2744/REM, both concerning land south of Stocks Lane to the east of the Crossways Inn.

The applicant, Mr P Gordon, spoke in support of the two applications and answered questions from councillors. A written statement in support from Lee Wright was read out by the chairman. No one spoke against the applications.

The chairman also noted that he had received one email message in support from a couple within the village, after which standing orders were reinstated.

Cllr Bovey had shared some observations on the applications which were discussed. In both cases councillors agreed that the applicants had made significant efforts to accommodate comments made on previous reserved matters applications for the same site. The summary conclusions on the two applications were as follows:

- i. **2018/2843/APP Approval of details reserved by conditions 5 (surface water/drainage/scheme), 6 (foul drainage scheme), 8 (ecology), 9 (arboriculture /ecology hedgerow and 10 (construction management).**

Generally councillors were happy with the arrangements proposed. The

construction management arrangements, including restrictions on weekend working and tree and hedge protection measures, were welcomed. It was important that these should be enforced.

Councillors considered that the foul and surface water drainage arrangements, (including the arrangements for dealing with foul water from some of the affordable houses, rainwater from their North elevation and surface water at the road entrances), were insufficiently described to allow them to form a view on their acceptability in detail but there were no objections to them in principle.

ii. **2018/2744/REM Approval of reserved matters following outline consent 2015/0527/OTA, 5 affordable dwelling houses and 1 open market dwelling house – matters of access/appearance/landscaping/layout/scale.**

Councillors welcomed the changes to the layout and design of the five affordable houses and the resulting reduction of their visual impact on neighbouring properties. However, two councillors felt even more could have been done by a combination of reduced roof pitch and further lowering of floor levels. Councillor Bovey drew attention to an apparent minor discrepancy in the floor levels between drawings 100 and 101.

There were no comments on the details provided on the open market house.

It was unanimously resolved that, in the clerk's absence, the chairman should draft responses to the consultations incorporating the comments summarised above.

4. **Date of next Meeting – 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2019**

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 20.40.

Chairman's signature.....