

Minutes of Bures St Mary Parish Council Planning Committee Meeting

**Monday 9th July 2018 at the Garrad Room,
Bures Community Centre, Nayland Road at 6pm**

Present: Cllrs G Jackson, D Ambrose, J MCCrory, T Fairbairn,
T Saer, J Aries, M Welch (BHPC)

In the Chair: Cllr G Jackson (Chairman of the Council)

Also Present: Mrs J Wright (Clerk) and 1 member of the public

1/07/18 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies received following the meeting from Cllr Alston (personal commitment) and Cllr Pentney (work commitment). Apologies duly accepted by the Clerk. Apologies also received from Cllr Parker (BDC). Cllr Waring was absent from the meeting.

2/07/18 DECLARATION/REGISTER OF INTERESTS/DISPENSATIONS

To declare any 'Pecuniary' or 'Non-pecuniary' interests in respect of items on the agenda. None declared. No requests for dispensation put forward for consideration.

3/07/18 MINUTES

Any previous minutes had been approved at the Parish Council meeting of 17th May 2018.

4/07/18 PUBLIC FORUM – Questions or Statements from the Public

15 minutes maximum public participation

3 minutes for individual contributions unless longer required

There was 1 member of the public present who was invited to join the table for discussion with members at Agenda Item 7.

5/07/18 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

There were no applications requiring a response other than those already noted for consideration on the Agenda.

6/07/18 PLANNING DECISIONS

The following decisions on current applications under Consultee Consideration had been taken by Babergh District Council since the previous meeting:

Application No. DC/18/01781 Speedwell House, High Street CO8 5HZ

The application had been granted under Delegated Officer decision. As no reference had been made in the approval notice of the parish council's suggestion for the roof lights to be re-positioned it was agreed the Clerk should request a copy of the Delegated Officer's report. Cllr Fairbairn also considered that BDC should respond to any parish council comments submitted under the Consultee process.

Application No. DC/18/01867 Malting Farm Cottage, Nayland Road CO8 5BY

This application had been granted under Delegated Officer decision.

7/07/18 PARISH COUNCIL STANDING ORDERS

It was resolved to confirm by Standing Order that all members stand on the Planning Committee as agreed annually at its AGM meetings.

It was resolved to confirm by Standing Order that Power be devolved to the Clerk to respond to planning applications on behalf of the parish council as and when required. Clerk advised all members of the procedure for responding to planning applications.

8/07/18 PLANNING APPLICATION DC/18/00929

Members were asked to consider their response to the re-consultation of the above application following receipt of revised plans and Agent's covering letter of 21st June 2018. Following a lengthy discussion members agreed that the latest information was still materially and substantially inaccurate and misleading. A list of findings of inaccuracies against the 7 agenda items of the Babergh District Council Planning Committee site meeting held at Cuckoo Hill were drawn up and the Clerk agreed to submit the parish council's response as a matter of urgency owing to the pending deadline. A further height survey from Randall Surveys LLP to be included with the response. Members agreed a letter of thanks should be sent to Jon Whittle for all his support to the parish council during the ongoing response processes.

9/07/18 PLANNING APPLICATION 17/02291/OUT

The Chairman gave a brief update on the Braintree District Council Planning Committee meeting decision of 19th June. Councillors at that meeting unanimously resolved to refuse the application on the grounds of the potential detrimental effect to the local landscape and proposals to extend the AONB. It was noted that the applicant had 6 months to appeal against the decision or a new application could be submitted for consideration.

10/07/18 PLANNING MATTERS ARISING

The members referred to the Braintree District Council Planning Committee meeting of 19th June 2018 and its Chairman's closing remarks prior to the decision on planning application No. 17/02291/OUT. It was felt that the remarks were unhelpful and misleading.

11/07/18 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Bures St Mary Parish Council meeting scheduled for Thursday 19th July 2018.
Planning Committee meeting to be set as required.

The meeting closed at 7.45pm.

Signed:

Chairman

Date