

ALLENSMORE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the parish council meeting held on 5th April 2011.

Council members present : Mr. S. Williams (chair), Mr. J. Lawrence, Mr. W. J. Lawrence, Mr. S. Mumford, Mr. D. Cooke and Mr. B. Lawrence

1.0 Apologies

Mr J Crump and district councillor Mrs J Fishley.

2.0 Councillors Declaration of Interest

None.

3.0 Minutes of Meeting held on 19th October 2010.

The minutes for the council meeting held on 19th October were approved and signed.

4.0 Planning

a) Applications reviewed by planning committee since last meeting:

Maycroft House, Winnal – proposed indoor swimming pool

‘there were no objections to these proposals.’

Yew Tree Farm, Poplar Road, Clehonger – reserved matters application for four dwellings

‘There were no objections to these proposals.’

Winnal Common Farm, Allensmore – proposed variations of condition 2 of planning permission DMSW/101073/F to allow flood lighting

‘Although we have sympathy for the need of flood lighting we have reservations and concerns regarding light pollution both nearby and from a distance because of the height and if granted we feel that time limitations should be set for both morning and evening use. Also there is a possibility of extra noise generated when the area is in use. We feel the phrase ‘minimal light pollution’ is not a justification for approval because it only means that the lighting suggested is at the lowest level to suit their requirements.’

Winnal Court – conversion of 2 no barns to form 2 holiday lets

‘We support the principle of making use of redundant farm buildings but have concerns over access to the property. There is a possibility of having up to 7 cars on site with access on a corner and turning right when exiting the site is very difficult onto a busy road. Concern was also expressed that a new window in Barn 2 overlooks the existing dwelling.’

Mossburn, Clehonger – proposed car port

‘We feel that we cannot support this application. The proposal is for a garage rather than a carport. The building will be obtrusive to the neighbouring property due to its siting and height and will reduce the amount of natural light and sunlight available’

Green Farm, Allensmore – installation of solar photovoltaic array on an agricultural building

‘There were no objections to these proposals.’

Winnal House, Allensmore – proposed detached garage block

‘The siting of the garage is sympathetic to the property next door considering the closeness to its boundary. We would like to seek some assurance that the roof water/drainage will be dealt with without any interference with the ditch and pond on the neighbour’s property.’

b) Applications passed by Hereford Council:

White House, Allensmore – demolition of existing dwelling. Erection of a replacement dwelling and detached double garage with ancillary works. Erection of a new boundary wall to the access.

Maycroft House, Allensmore – proposed indoor swimming pool

Yew Tree Farm – reserved matters for four dwellings.

Winnal House – proposed detached garage block.

Stone Fern, Allensmore – replace existing uPVC conservatory with oak frame, part stone garden room, replacement of existing various outbuildings/garages with green oak framed garages and storage.

Green Farm, Allensmore - installation of solar photovoltaic array on an agricultural building

Mossburn – proposed carport.

c) Applications refused by Hereford Council:

Winnal Court – conversion of 2 no barns to form 2 holiday lets

Winnal Common Farm - Proposed variations of condition 2 of planning permission DMSW/101073/F to allow flood lighting

Site between New House and Holm Lee – Proposed new dwelling

Planning permission refusal was appealed against. The appeal hearing upheld Hereford Council's decision and permission has been refused.

d) Applications to be discussed:

Thornbrook, Allensmore – New vehicular access, drive and turning area.

'There were no objections'.

Street Naming for Yew Tree Farm development: Yew Tree Close, Yew Tree Gardens or Yew Tree Court.

'There were no objections'.

5.0 Finance

The following payments were agreed:

HALC subscription: £180.78

SL Clerks payment 2010/2011: £550

6.0 Any Other business

- James Cook, a local Golden Valley PC, highlighted the ongoing problem of oil thefts from rural areas. From both households and farm outbuildings. Quad bikes have been taken for outlying areas. The Smartwater option was floated as a possible solution.
- Localities Meeting – J Lawrence & S Williams attended and gave feedback on the subjects debated on the day and expressed openness to consideration.
- Blackhall Lane is still an unresolved and important issue that requires an urgent follow up.

- A letter of thanks should be sent to John Crump as he has been a Councillor since May 1992. Address: Haven Croft, Kilpeck, HR2 9DN. 01981 570 744
- Various items of literature are received by the Council and these will be sent to the Clerk initially for review to help with highlighting things that will be of immediate interest and general availability for the APC Members at future meetings.
- Election nominations will be published by Wednesday 6th April.

Signed :

Dated :