

# COMBROKE PARISH COUNCIL

## **Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 21 September 2014 at 8.00pm at the Village Hall**

### **Present**

Tim Goodhead (TG)

Jo Price (JP)

Brenda Rayson (BR), Chairman

Georgina Lowe (Clk), Clerk

Members of the Public 2

### **1. Apologies**

None.

### **2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interests**

None.

### **3. Dispensation Requests**

None.

### **4. Public Representation**

Members of the public were invited to ask questions and make their views known during each of items 5 and 6.

### **5. Planning**

#### **Chairman's announcement**

An application for an agricultural building had recently been received with a short timescale for comments, due by 1st October. It was agreed this should be added to the agenda for initial comment.

#### **5a. Consultation for Planning Application 15/03141/FUL Band Hill House**

Proposed: Conversion of existing garage to ancillary accommodation, erection of new detached garage and erection of single storey rear extension.

Following a presentation of the scheme and full discussion, it was agreed that since the site is adjacent an early C18 listed building and is immediately adjacent the Conservation Area then it would be important to request a Conservation Officer's opinion.

The Parish Council noted and welcomed that the applicants have proposed a modest development of the property to meet their requirements to create ancillary accommodation. The approach was felt to be sympathetic to the location and position of the property on rising ground.

It was agreed that subject to the appraisal of the scheme by the Conservation Officer, the Parish Council is not opposed to the application.

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#### **5b. Consultation for Planning Application 15/03316/AGNOT Combroke House**

Proposed: Erection of Agricultural building for the storage of fodder and agricultural machinery

Following a presentation of the scheme and full discussion, some concern was raised as to whether there was sufficient justification given in the application for a building of this size in relation to the total area of agricultural grade land at the property.

There was also a concern that the site is located within the Combrook Conservation Area adjacent the Compton Pools, Wood and Parklands which are part of the Compton Verney Conservation Area. The site will be in view of the bridleway emerging from Knightley's Wood with a branch footpath running past the site. The bridleway is regularly used by locals and walkers visiting the area for its amenity value.

It was agreed to submit comments on the above matters including a request that the scheme should be expertly appraised by the Authority's Landscape specialist and Conservation Officer in relation to its impact on Conservation Area and the setting of the nearby listed building.

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6. **Transparency Fund**

Following on from this item at the previous meeting on 7 September. BR tabled a paper outlining a bid. This included upfront setup costs, training and staff time with initial hosting to April 2016 at a total cost of £1220, for which a grant will be requested.

The ongoing annual costs for hosting and technical support will be approx £215. It was noted the need to review the impact on the Clerk's administrative time. It will be timely to conduct a full review of this once the Website is implemented and running.

The Website will be capable of providing pages for general village use and training will be available for volunteers to take on responsibility for the content of village related sections.

Clk

**RESOLVED: to make a bid to the transparency fund as outlined**

7. **Date of Next Parish Council Meeting:**  
Monday 16 November 8.00 pm Village Hall.

**The meeting closed at 9.40 pm**