

Tanfield Parish Council

MINUTES OF A PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: Monday 10th September 2012
TIME: 19.40 hrs
LOCATION: West Tanfield Memorial Hall
PRESENT: Councillors David Parkinson (Chairman), Jim Beadle and Steven Houston.
IN ATTENDANCE: Iona Taylor (Clerk)
District Councillor David Webster
8 members of the public.

1. WELCOME FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

Councillor Parkinson welcomed all those present to the meeting.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

Councillor Houston declared an interest in information reported regarding planning application 12/00943/FUL at The Long Acres, Thornborough as he owns the application site.

3. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor Peter Hull as he was on holiday.

4. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

4.1 NY/2012/0296/FUL – Erection of a 1.8m high boundary fence and access gates to the front of the school on land at St. Nicholas C of E Primary School, Mowbray Terrace, West Tanfield.

It was agreed that the Parish Council has no objections to this application.

4.2 12/01735/FUL – Extension to existing dwelling and alterations to existing storage building to form ancillary living accommodation and construction of implement shed to replace the existing at Stonehaven, Nosterfield.

It was agreed that the following comments should be submitted to Hambleton District Council:

The Parish Council is concerned about potential overlooking issues with Orchard House and would therefore recommend that a condition be imposed in any planning permission so as to restrict windows on the Northern elevation of the extension to having obscured glass and being non-opening.

Whilst the Parish Council has no objection to the principle of a replacement agricultural building at this location it considers that this application is deficient in terms of the lack of supporting information and the drawings which do not give dimensions etc.

During the Parish Council meeting at which this application was considered it became apparent that some of the properties neighbouring the application site had not been informed about or consulted on these proposals.

The Parish Council would wish to be re-consulted in the event of further, or amended information being submitted by the applicant.

4.3 12/01003/FUL - Retrospective application for a change of use of domestic garage to a joinery workshop at rear of Roselea, Thornborough.

After considering additional information the Parish Council agreed that it now objects to this application as it considers that the close proximity to neighbours' properties will result in an unacceptable reduction of amenity and level of noise pollution that will not be sufficiently mitigated by the proposed measures. In essence, because of its location the site is unsuitable for the proposed use.

It was noted that this application is due to be considered by Hambleton District Council's planning committee on Thursday 13th September 2012, although the Officer's recommendation is for a deferral to allow the additional information to be considered and consulted upon.

It was noted that application 12/00943/FUL (retrospective application for a change of use of agricultural land to mixed use of agricultural and storage of trailers and equipment for grounds maintenance company and the construction of a boundary fence and retention of shed and ancillary hardstanding to store equipment and chemicals) at the Long Acres, Fore Lane, Thornborough is also to be considered by Hambleton District Council's planning committee on 13th September 2012.

5. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting was confirmed as being on 8th October 2012 at 19.40 hrs in West Tanfield Memorial Hall.

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6. ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED AT THE NEXT MEETING

- Grasscutting arrangements.
- Bonfire and firework arrangements.
- Fly tipping on Courby Bank – to be reported to Hambleton District Council.
- Traffic congestion during Auto Grass racing events.
- Playground inspections.
- Street cleansing in West Tanfield.

Meeting closed at 21.05 hrs.

These minutes were recorded and prepared by Iona Taylor, Clerk to the Parish Council.

SIGNED: (Chairman)

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