MINUTES OF A MEETING OF FOWLMERE PARISH COUNCIL PLANNING COMMITTEE

which was held in the Pavilion Room, Village Hall

on THURSDAY 27th May 2021 at 7:30pm

PRESENT: Cllr P Burge (Chairman), Cllr D Roberts, Cllr L Wragg, Cllr C Howe, Cllr S Mulholland, Cllr J

Hobro and Cllr R Lennon

IN ATTENDANCE Ms K Byrne (Clerk)

Before the meeting, the Clerk advised the attendees that Covid-19 rules would apply. The Clerk also stated that the meeting would be audio recorded; the recording would be deleted after the minutes had been approved. There were no objections.

1. Election of Chairman of Planning Committee

Cllr Burge asked for nominations for Chairman of the Planning Committee. Cllr Roberts proposed Cllr Burge, Cllr Howe seconded this motion. There were no further nominations and no objections.

2. Apologies for Absence

Cllr Collinson was absent.

3. Election of Vice-Chairman of Planning Committee

Cllr Burge asked for nominations for Vice-Chairman of the Planning Committee. Cllr Wragg nominated Cllr Roberts, Cllr Howe seconded. There were no further nominations and no objections.

4. Declarations of interest (if any)

Cllr Roberts declared that if an application is placed before South Cambridgeshire District Council (SCDC) she will approach any new information afresh. Also, because Cllr Roberts is a District Cllr at SCDC, the same applies and she will look at any application, which goes to SCDC, afresh.

5. Minutes from Previous Meeting 29th April 2021 - Matters Arising

The minutes were agreed to be a true record, and were signed by Cllr Burge. There were no matters arising.

6. 21/01605/HFUL – 16 Ryecroft Lane, Fowlmere

Front porch, partial demolition and side extension. Rebuild existing damaged wall to front. Resubmission of 20/02042/HFUL

The PC had seen a similar application on this site before (20/02042/HFUL) with which it had no concerns. The PC considered the proposed modified plans. It was noted that neighbours' comments raised 2 concerns – one was the rendering, which would make the property look not in keeping with the nearby houses and would change the street scene; the other concern was with there being no traffic management plan. The PC noted that the other similarly rendered properties that are mentioned in the application are some way from the proposed site. It also agreed that traffic management was an issue.

Fowlmere Parish Council has no objections, but requests that officers take the neighbours' comments regarding rendering and traffic management seriously. The PC noted that the similarly rendered properties are some way from the proposed site and do not provide a local precedent. Also, should officers be minded to approve the application then the PC would request that an adequate traffic management plan is put in place and enforced.

7. 21/0579/TTCA - St Marys Church, High Street, Fowlmere

3m reduction in height & 1.5m reduction on the sides to reduce weight & sail of a Lime tree.

The PC considered the application. Cllr Roberts wondered if the time of year was appropriate to carry out the work. Following discussion, the PC was happy to leave the decision to the tree officer.

Fowlmere Parish Council had no objections – no comments were submitted to SCDC.

8. Review of Planning Committee's Terms of Reference

The PC reviewed the Terms of Reference document. Cllr Burge made the agreed changes during the meeting; he will present the amended document to the PC for adoption at its next meeting in June.

The meeting closed at 19.55