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|  | **Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 3rd February 2021 at 7.30pm via Zoom call** | **Action** |
|  | **Present**: Cllrs Robert Balm, Jessica Kitt, Emily Williams, William Neale, Tessa Pleasants, Keith Long  District Cllr Claire Daunton  Anna Bradnam |  |
|  | **Open Forum:**  None |  |
| 91/20-21 | **Apologies for absence**  Michael Gingell, Tessa Pleasants, Keith Long, Hayley Livermore |  |
| 92/20-21 | **Declarations of disclosable pecuniary & other interests**  Emily Williams for site JDI 40113 – Neighbouring property  Jessica Kitt for site JDI 40137 – Opposite property |  |
| 93/20-21 | **To discuss response to proposed sites in Horningsea under the SCDC ‘Call for sites’**  **Response applicable to all sites**  Green belt should be protected.  **Response to JDI 40113**  We currently have issues with traffic volumes and increased business and increased deliveries would make this worse.  The Horningsea Parish Council does not support releasing the land from the green belt. There is significant wildlife on the fields. For example: A resident kestrel.  Accessing the site with extra offices through the existing entrance will be difficult and create too many traffic bottle- necks.  There are not enough public services (buses) to take workers to site.  Horningsea (High Street) is a conservation area. The site immediately adjoins it.  Change of use of this area could mean that in the event of the garden centre vacating the site, another business could occupy the site and change the nature of the site negatively for the village.  For reference we would bring your attention to the refusal of planning permission on retrospective planning that was entered by Scotsdales in 2015. S/1820/15/FL (form 5).  **Response to JDI 40137**  With minimal public services like buses, a new development (especially affordable housing) could mean that there is a more demand for a bus service. This is not currently available.  Low density housing would be appropriate for this site, as long as we can safeguard that the character of the village is reflected in any new development. If more houses encourage better amenities in the village, this infill development could work. A development in this area would need to be included in the conservation area and reflect the local vernacular**.**  **Response to JDI 40482**  20 dwellings on a 4-hectare site seems low. Query is this correct?  Extension of the village framework in this way is not acceptable. The current village framework is approx. 22 hectares in size. This means that the village framework would be increased by 25%.  The size of a development like this would mean a possible increase of the population that the village cannot practically cope with. There aren’t any schools, doctor’s surgeries, post offices, shops etc.  20 dwellings is too much to increase the village by, given that the village is only 130 dwellings at the moment.  The site is very close to the proposed new Cambridge Waste Water Treatment Plant.  We would suggest that this area is used as a nature buffer for the village and that the greenbelt is protected.  **Response to JDI 47647, JDI 40406, JDI 40516**  The road through Fen Ditton and High Ditch Road are not fit for purpose to support this many new dwellings.  The A14 is also unlikely to be able to cope with more commuter traffic.  There is already significant development in the area (Marleigh) and any further development will have a significant impact on the quality of life in Horningsea and Fen Ditton. |  |
| 94/20-21 | **Speed data**  To use the highways speed analysis unit would cost £350 for one unit and £100 for subsequent units. This would also provide the analysis. This version of monitoring would give the speed in two directions. It would also tell us the types of vehicles.  The PC believes that this does not add enough extra data to what we already know from the MVAS to justify the cost.  **JK**: Proposed that we do not use this option and use the data from our MVAS.  **EW**: seconded. |  |
| 95/20-21 | **To accept matters for the next agenda**  HRA (£1,000) and HVHT (£400 - tentative) are putting up the budget for the new fence. To discuss whether we can own and manage the fence because it is the responsibility of the lease holder.  On March 24 there will be a Community East Forum meeting. This includes all sites in the ward. The PC clerk should expect an invitation to attend.  Meeting close: 21:15  **Meeting to be held Wednesday 24th March at 7.30pm via Zoom call** |  |
|  | **The meeting closed at 22:10** |  |