

HALSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 19 MAY 2014 in THE PAVILION, STATION ROAD, HALSTEAD AT 18.00

PRESENT: Cllr. Terry Brooker – Chairman of the Planning Committee
Cllr. Sheila Bent
Cllr. Chris Ford
Cllr. Karen Grosvenor

IN ATTENDANCE: The Clerk
The meeting convened at 18.10

1 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN
Cllr Ford proposed that Cllr. Brooker should be elected as chairman, seconded by Cllr. Bent, carried unanimously.

RESOLVED: that Cllr. Brooker should be Chairman of the Planning Committee

2 ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN
Cllr. Brooker proposed that Cllr. Grosvenor should be elected as Vice Chairman, seconded by Cllr. Ford; carried unanimously.

RESOLVED: that Cllr. Grosvenor should be Vice Chairman of the Planning Committee

3 **APOLOGIES.**
All members were present

4 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
Nil

5 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION**
Following discussion the following responses were **Resolved** unanimously by the members

5.1

SE/14/01192/HOUSE
1 Jasmine Cottages, Knockholt Road, Halstead TN14 7EU
Conversion of existing integral garage to a habitable room
The Parish Council has NO OBJECTION to this planning application

5.2

SE/14/01124/FUL
LAND NORTH OF IVY COTTAGE, STONEHOUSE ROAD, HALSTEAD, TN14 7HN
Demolition of the existing garage on site and the construction of a new detached chalet bungalow
The Parish Council STRONGLY OBJECTS to this planning application. The Parish Council believes that the planning application described as a chalet bungalow would create a far larger property than indicated which would be dominant on the surroundings.
Council is concerned that the small neighbouring bungalow, Silverdale, would suffer loss of privacy particularly with the large number of mature trees that are to be removed right up to the boundary to facilitate this development. The Parish Council believes this contravenes EN1 para 17 which: <i>always seeks to secure high quality design and a good standard of amenity for all existing and future occupants of land and buildings</i>
The Parish Council also believes that the introduction of a second dwelling on the land would intensify the built form and be over dominant on the surroundings thereby contravening LO7. This land, though not in the Green Belt does adjoin it.

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INFORMATION

The Chairman remarked that he felt that every member of the Planning Committee should attend at least one training session arranged by KALC

Another member is required for the Committee. It was noted that Cllr. Blundell had indicated that he was interested in joining the Committee. *Agenda item June Parish Council Meeting*

Grant of Planning application:

SE/14/00792/HOUSE 2 Wood Edge, Halstead Place.

Conversion of loft into habitable space including the extension of the staircase, insertion of roof lights and changes to fenestration.

The meeting closed at 18.45