

WORTHAM & BURGATE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of Wortham & Burgate Parish Council Planning Committee meeting at the Pavilion, Wortham on Tuesday 27th August at 7.30pm

Councillors (Cllrs) Present : Hovey, Williams, Cole, Piper, Weaver
In Attendance : N Verkroost (Clerk) and 4 members of the public.

1. To appoint a chair - It was unanimously agreed to appoint Cllr Weaver as the Chair of the Wortham and Burgate Planning Committee
2. To consider accepting apologies for absence - Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Wright who was on holiday.
3. To record declarations of interest from members in any item to be discussed - None
4. To consider any dispensation from members in any item to be discussed - None
5. Adjourn the meeting to allow public participation - 7.35pm

Residents raised concerns regarding Planning Application DC/19/03712

The main concerns were :

Narrow Access Road to the site

Volume of traffic - increase in vehicular movements both domestic and commercial

Safety - this access road used by vehicles and pedestrians with no pavement

Residents have to reverse out onto the access road from their properties

6. Re-convene the meeting 7.59pm

7. To consider and discuss new applications

7.1 DC/19/03712 - Land At Howards Close, Mellis Road, Wortham, Suffolk - It was unanimously agreed to recommend to the Parish Council to object to this application for the following reasons :

The site is outside the Settlement Boundary of Wortham

It is Backfill

The increased density of housing in that location

The Access Road width and a lack of pavement - the safety of both pedestrians and drivers. Cars reversing onto the road from adjacent properties.

Increased volume of traffic.

Light and noise pollution

7.2 DC/19/03398 - Easter Cottage, Buggs Road, Burgate, Diss Suffolk IP22 1QG - It was unanimously agreed to Support this application.

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To consider and discuss any additional new applications received prior to the meeting.

7.3 New Application DC/19/03968 - Meadow Rise , Low Road, Wortham - It was unanimously agreed to Support this application.

8. To receive items from councillors -

8.1 Cllrs Bradley, Cole and the Clerk attended a Joint Local Plan Meeting on 13th August in Stradbroke.

The key points concerning Wortham and Burgate will be presented to the full PC at the next meeting, which include:

The Village Boundary Map has changed and is incorrect.

Subdivision of sites leading to piecemeal developments and avoidance of including affordable housing and social obligations

8.2 Clerk to organise a pre-planning meeting with MSDC regarding the New Village Hall Proposal and existing village hall site

8.3 Clerk to contact Tom Barker, MSDC, and request that a talk is given to the PC or the Planning Committee regarding latest planning philosophy of MSDC

8.5 Possibility of a Budget for the Planning Committee to cover any expenses related to planning Issues

8.6 Letter of complaint regarding The White House, DC/19/03827, to be reviewed by a Solicitor. The cost would be £250 + VAT. This will be put forward to the PC at the meeting on September 10th. The Planning Committee will confirm with the PC what work they want the solicitors to carry out on their behalf.

8.7 It was requested that a Planning Committee Meeting is scheduled and held when required 10-14 days before each PC Meeting.

9. To discuss any correspondence received - all items covered

10. To receive items for the next agenda - None

11. Date and time of next meeting – TBC

12. Meeting Close - 8.57pm

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