

POLSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the planning meeting held on Thursday 13th August 2009 in the Village Hall Polstead.

1)

Present: Mr Nick Brandt (in the Chair), Mr Michael Hackford (Vice Chair), Mr John Baxter, Mr Richard Kilshaw, Mrs Anne Macwillson & Mrs Trish Ravensdale. Mrs Mandy Flather.

In attendance: Mrs Jill Lowe & Mr Trevor Dodwell.

1) **Apologies for Absence:** No apologies

2) **Declarations of Interests:** Mr Michael Hackford declared an interest in D'arcy Cottage

3) **D'arcy Cottage:** The council discussed the proposed development at some length, with input from Jill Lowe & Trevor Dodwell (representing Mrs Pat Brown) & came to the following:

The council object to the proposal on the following grounds:

1. In general terms they amount to over-development.

2. The new windows in the eastern elevation would create a serious intrusion on the privacy of the occupants of 'Knovak' opposite & 'Snuggles' the property immediately adjacent to 'Knovak'.

3. The inevitable traffic increase on what is primarily a public footpath does not commend itself.

We would remind you of the second half of paragraph 1 of Babergh letter of refusal dated 15/1/2008. The objections set out in that paragraph cannot be overcome without the applicants obtaining control over the land, which appears from all the documentation and contrary to the unsupported assertions of the applicants, to belong to the owners of 'Knovak' to the east & Green Cottage to the north.

Millwood Cottage: The Council had no objection to the proposed garage.

Sprotts Farm: The Chairman reported that the proposed development had been approved by Babergh.

4) **Footpaths:** The chairman reported that he had a bill in for footpath clearing from Bill Stickles for £50

And another for £90. It is expected that at least some of this will be reimbursed by the landowners concerned.

5) **Clerks Correspondence:**

Police Report
Letter from Mr Bill Wigglesworth.
Copies of these were handed out.

Advert for a new Clerk.
There was some discussion on the subject & it was decided that Nick
Brandt would place adverts in the local papers if financially possible & at
SALC.

Meeting Closed 20.45