



Loxwood Parish Council

Minutes of The Virtual Meeting of The Parish Council for Planning Matters Held by Skype from 7.30pm On Monday 23rd March 2020

P22/2020 Attendance: Parish Councillors: Tony Colling (Chair); Chris Agar; Rick Kelsey; Simon Bates; Chris Kershaw; Annette Gardner.
Simon Laker and Roger Newman were unable to connect via SKYPE during this meeting.
Apologies for Absence – Parish Councillor John Lewis.

P23/2020 Declaration of Member's Interest – None.

P24/2020 Public Participation – No members of the public present.

P25/2020 To Consider new Planning Applications:

LX/20/00558/PA3O The Parade, C I & S G Aldridge, Guildford Road, Loxwood, West Sussex, RH14 0SB

Conversion of first floor B1(a) office to 1 no. 1 bedroom flat and 1 no. 2 bedroom flat (C3).

The Parish Council has concerns about parking. The level of on street parking depicted in the photographs above para. 3.3 of the Transport Statement exist both during weekdays and weekends due to shoppers using the hairdressers, butchers and village shop. A further 3 residents cars parked on the B2133 will cause further congestion at a busy junction of the B2133 and Station Road. There have been a number of collisions with passing traffic hitting parked cars and injuries to pedestrians crossing the B2133, despite WSCC police having no record of serious injury. In addition, to the parish Councils knowledge, the offices only account for one parked car on the B2133 not 4 as suggested in the Transport Statement. In addition, the Transport Statement supplied by the applicant incorrectly attributes street lighting to the B2133, there is none. It is also incorrectly stated that there is a footway along the opposite site of the road and an informal crossing from the Post Office across the road.

P26/2020 To receive a list of recent decisions from Chichester District Council: None.

P27/2020 Any other matters.

Councillors Agar and Colling had met with Officers (A Frost, Director of Planning, T Ayling Manager of Policy for Planning and Valerie Dobson NP Officer) from CDC concerning the delay to the CDC Local Plan.

The Local Plan's revision is delayed by approximately 12 months. Final housing numbers for Loxwood will not be known until later this summer but are unlikely to be fewer than 125 houses. CDC will offer assistance in the preparations of the NP such as a review of the draft Plan and meetings where necessary.

The desk top phase of the site assessments is complete but field work now needs to be carried out to complete the assessment. Under the current lock down strategy imposed by the government it is unclear as to whether this can be achieved in the near future. A virtual meeting of the Steering Group will take place within the next few weeks.

P27/2020 Date for next meeting: 4th May 2020.