

Loxwood Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council for Planning held at 7.30pm on Thursday 25th May 2023 in the main hall at North Hall

P 20/2023 Attendance: Parish Councillors: Charles Todhunter (Acting Chair also CDC); Rick Kelsey; Roger Newman; Annette Gardner; Sarah Dobson. CDC Gareth Evans. 3 members of the public.

Apologies for Absence: Parish Councillor: James Hume and Jamie Lynch. WSCC Janet Duncton

P 21/2023 Declaration of Member's Interest – Cllr Todhunter declared an interest as a member of CDC Planning Committee

P 22/2023 Public Participation – A resident spoke concerning application LX/23/00815/FUL he was opposed to the application. He considered the development would impact on their amenity as a near neighbour and that it would constitute over development. The resident was concerned with the access for builders lorries and deliveries down a narrow lane. The hall itself he pointed out is of architectural merit and had a historic background.

A second resident spoke concerning a letter to CDC, which the Parish Council had sent to the Cabinet member for planning regarding Self and Custom Build, he felt this should be resent to the Cabinet as there had been member changes since the elections. The Committee asked if the Clerk and resident could re write the letter and send again to CDC. Action Clerk

The same resident spoke concerning the Brewhurst Bridge which was in need of repair and had been for sometime despite safety issues. There were also areas where the path was falling away and the Lane itself covered in potholes. The house at the end of the Lane was responsible for the repairs as it owned the Lane. CDC Evans was asked if he could put some pressure on WSCC as WSCC had not achieved anything despite being in touch with the owner. CDC Evans would contact WSCC to see if they could expedite matters. ACTION CDC Evans/Clerk

The resident had an outstanding appeal on a planning application he had submitted but it was not showing on the CDC Planning Portal and Cllr Todhunter would look into this. ACTION Cllr Todhunter

P 23/2023 To Consider new Planning Applications:

Cllr Todhunter advised that he was on the CDC Planning Committee following his election as a District Councillor. As Planning Chair of the Parish Council he could present the facts but could not vote on applications in case the applications came before the CDC Planning Committee and he could not show pre determination ahead of the CDC meetings.

LX/23/01015/FUL - Mill House Farm, Drungewick Lane,

Proposal: Retention of 1 no. mobile home for residential occupation by an agricultural worker in connection with animal husbandry for a temporary period of 3 years, resubmission of LX/22/03039/FUL.

Object. The Parish Council consider that the water neutrality solution appears to be un-enforceable and the application should not be permitted whilst this remains the case. 4 object and 1 abstention.

Cllr Todhunter abstained from voting.

LX/23/00815/FUL - Land At Loxwood Hall West, Guildford Road Proposal: Erection of a detached dwelling.

Object. Loxwood Neighbourhood Plan Appendix 3 includes the buildings at the Loxwood Hall complex as buildings of historic importance. Policy 12 of the Loxwood Neighbourhood Plan and Policy 45 of the CDC Local Plan are not adhered to as a countryside location is not required and there is no essential need for the property in the proposed location. The NPPF Paragraph 80 is not met which states isolated homes in the countryside should be avoided unless: there is essential need for a rural worker; the development would involve enabling the optimal use of heritage asset; it would re-use redundant or disused buildings and enhance the setting; it involved the subdivision of an existing property; or else the design is of exceptional quality. 4 object 1 abstention.

Cllr Todhunter abstained.

P 24/2023 To receive a list of recent decision:

LX/23/00157/FUL The Stables Mallards Farm Guildford Road Loxwood Change of use and conversion of former equestrian stables into 1 no. four bedroom live/work unit with attached Class E flexible space including installation of timber cladding and alterations to fenestration - (variation of Conditions 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 13, 14 and 15 of Planning Permission LX/21/02667/FUL for amendments to fenestration and rearrangement of commercial floor space.

REFUSED

LX/22/03117/TPA Arunwood High Street Loxwood Billingshurst Fell 1 no. Oak tree (T1) subject to LX/98/00659/TPO. WITHDRAWN

P 25/2023 Date of next meeting: Tuesday 13th June 2023