

Minutes of Ufford Parish Council Meeting
Held on 10th December 2018 ~ 6.00pm
The St Mary's Parish Hall, Church Lane, Ufford

Present

Cllr. Kathryn Jones (*Chair*)
Cllr. Jane Hawthorne

Cllr. Keith Bennett
Cllr. Nigel Smith

Cllr. Nick Crocker

Judi Hallett (Clerk)

3 members of the public

1. To receive Apologies for absence:

Apologies for absence had been received from Cllr. John Skinner (family commitments), Cllr. Guy Foskett (work commitments), Cllr. Karl Mallett (work commitments) and Cllr. Pat Edworthy (family commitments). These were noted.

2. To receive any Declarations of Interest on Agenda Items and any applications for dispensation:

No declarations of interest were declared.

3. Public Session:

a) Reports or comment from any member of the public (notes):

- The applicant re 3 Melton Hamlet made a few comments – Neighbours are in favour of the development; we are trying to keep the roof pitch as low as possible and this meant we could not use Pantiles, but slates should look just as good; the neighbours have no objections to use of slates.

4. To discuss and agree responses to the following Planning Applications:

a) DC/18/4694/FUL – Proposed front single storey extension - 50 High Street, Ufford.

Councillors made the following comments:

- All Councillors have looked at plans
- The houses in this location are not in a straight line, they are staggered and not evenly, this proposal is quite small and virtually to the bank
- Wouldn't look great aesthetically but have spoken to neighbours next-door-but-one and they are quite happy,
- No comments on SCDC Planning Portal as of today
- Steps up to High Street will be reformed to cater for new extension
- Building line will be extended but that it is up to the LPA to decide upon this
- Pre-planning advice taken in June 2018
- Only a small extension so it won't block any views from or to any existing properties
- **Conclusion: No objection** – Clerk to send comments straight to SCDC.

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- b) DC/18/4536/FUL - Installation of Solar PV Ground Mount system Total of 14 panels to be installed - Hawkeswade Loudham Lane Ufford. Councillors made the following comments:
- In field with the Alpacas but not sure if there would be any further fencing requirements [thought not]
 - Right behind the hedge and parallel to the road
 - You can't see it from the water meadows or East Lane
 - From the road the hedge is quite high and very thick, part of the hedge nearest the entrance is slightly less dense but most months of the year you would not see it
 - Other houses would probably not see it, with the exception of Willow Granary perhaps
 - Some neighbours along Loudham Lane are not concerned and have no objection
 - Not impacting anyone else, even though quite a large scale project
 - **Conclusion: No objection** – Clerk to send comments straight to SCDC.
- c) DC/18/4715/FUL - Alteration and extension to ground floor back elevation of existing dwelling - 3 Melton Hamlet Lower Street Ufford. Councillors made the following comments:
- Spoke to a neighbour and they seem very happy, replacing a wall would improve their garden
 - Development is at the back of the property, it is the frontage that is very important,
 - Pitch of the roof is very shallow, hope it doesn't leak!
 - Done sympathetically, Not visible to the public, not even to neighbours
 - **Conclusion: No objection** Clerk to send comments straight to SCDC
- d) DC/18/4893/FUL - Erection of single storey rear extension and alterations to existing dwelling. - Willow Granary Willow Barn East Lane Ufford. Councillors made the following comments:
- Plans show: changing Velux to dormer windows at the back, link from existing building to the garage and back of dwelling being extended. Further extension parallel to formed stable block at Willow Farm.
 - Original area 147 m² and extension of 123 m², almost doubling dwelling and liable to CIL
 - Very large extension but not many people will see it, no feedback from neighbours
 - They have taken out the external staircase. This was originally on the old granary and I assumed it was to mirror the old architecture. This will change the character of the building – wonder why it has been removed?
 - No pre application advice
 - Dormer windows will make maintenance very difficult in places
 - **Conclusion: No objection but point raised regarding the retention of the external staircase to retain the architectural aesthetics of the original building (even if not functioning).** Clerk to send comments straight to SCDC

Action: Clerk

5. Finance Matters:

a) To authorise the following Invoices for Payment:

i.	H C Slingsby Plc (Grit Bin x 2)	£412.80
ii.	Local Council Public Advisory Service (N'hood Planning Training)	£80.00
iii.	SALC (Clerk's Networking Event)	£6.80
iv.	St Mary's Church Hall Ufford	£8.00

The above payments were proposed by Cllr. Jones, seconded by Cllr. Bennett and all Councillors were in agreement that they be paid. The cheques were signed by Cllr. Hawthorne and Cllr. Smith.

6. To receive agenda items for the next meeting and agree date of the Next Meeting:

- *None at the time of the meeting*

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as **Tuesday 18th December 2018** at The Community Hall, The Avenue, Ufford.

The meeting was closed at 6.30pm

Signed:

Chair: Cllr. Kathryn M Jones

Date:

Judi Hallett

Clerk to Ufford Parish Council