

## A MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE

Held on: Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2024 at 6pm.  
Room 6, Crispin Community Centre, Leigh Road, Street.

Members Summoned and Present: Members Summoned and Present: Peter Goater (Chair), Laura Wolfers (Vice Chair), Neil Howiantz, Bryan Knickerbocker, Terry Napper.

Absent: Councillor Pam Birch

Officers Present: Danielle Price (Assistant Clerk)

In attendance: No additional attendees

### Presentation

No presentation was delivered.

### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

#### Public question time

There was none.

*The meeting began at 6:02pm.*

*Councillor Knickerbocker arrived at 6:07pm.*

### MINUTES

#### 1. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Councillor Birch.

#### 2. Declarations of interests and grant of dispensations

*Councillors were reminded of their duty to declare any interests in the business to be transacted.*

None received.

#### 3. Terms of Reference

RESOLVED:

- i) The title of the committee will be the Planning Advisory Committee.
- ii) The meeting will be held on the second Tuesday of the month at 6pm
- iii) Notifications will continue to be included in agendas in a table format, underneath the Planning Applications.
- iv) To continue to consider all examples of applications regarding retail signage and provide recommendations accordingly.

- v) That councillors elected to the committee will undertake Planning specific training via Somerset Association of Local Councils and that elected Chairs and Vice Chairs will complete the training specific to Charing, within 3 months of elections. Opportunities for refresher courses are also encouraged for all committee members.

#### 4. Planning Applications

- (1) **2023/2369/FUL** - Partial demolition and redevelopment of existing building to retirement living accommodation, 45no. retirement apartments and 11no. retirement cottages with communal facilities, access, car parking and landscaping.

RESOLVED: To RECOMMEND approval with the following conditions:

- i) Churchill and associates continue to keep in regular contact to consult with the residents and businesses affected by the development, ideally, by creating a Residents' Group.
- ii) There is detailed consideration and clear strategies adopted to manage additional pressures which may affect primary care facilities such as: GP surgeries and dentists.
- iii) That locals are kept up to date with crime prevention strategies (particularly re: the access routes for the cottages being planned for).
- iv) That a Build Plan is put in place to impose curfews on construction hours to minimise disruption to residents.
- v) That consideration is made of any concessions for disabled parking and a dropping off point for vehicles no longer able to use the service yard behind the Parish Rooms.

- (2) **2024/0028/FUL** - The extension & resurfacing of existing farm track.

RESOLVED: To RECOMMEND approval.

- (3) **2024/0145/ADV** - Installation of 1no. Illuminated Fascia Sign.

RESOLVED: To RECOMMEND approval.

#### Planning Notifications

RESOLVED: To NOTE the following notifications:

**2024/0174/PAA & 2024/0175/PAA** - Prior Approval for a proposed change of use of agricultural building to a dwellinghouse (Class C3) and for associated operational development.

#### 5. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Planning Committee will take place at:

6pm on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2024 at Room 6, Crispin Community Centre, Leigh Road, Street.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 6:48 pm.