

Mendlesham Parish Council

A Parish Council Extra Ordinary meeting was held in the Old School Room, Mendlesham on Monday 20th February 2017 at 7.30pm.

1. Present: Cllrs M Exley (Chairperson), A Davey, N Foster, D Nunn, H Orton, E Ward, M Watson, and S Jones (Clerk) and two members of the public.

Apologies: Cllrs D Foster and S Webb.

The filming statement was read out.

2. Declarations of interest:

a) To note Councillor's declarations of interest in any of the following agenda items. None declared.

b) To agree any dispensations with regard to declarations of interest. Not required.

3. Public Forum: No questions asked.

4. Minutes:- to approve for accuracy and as a true record of

a) Ordinary meeting held on 8th February 2017.

Pages 1463-1467 inclusive were approved as an accurate record of the meeting, signed and dated by the chairperson.

5.Planning:

a)Applications:

0366/17 Land adjacent to No15, Brockford Road, Mendlesham IP14 5SG
Outline planning permission sought for the erection of two detached dwellings.

Councillors comments/concerns were:

- Visually important open space
- Views from Oak Farm Land were noted and of low importance as per the Neighbourhood Plan
- Importance of setting for St Mary's Church, Grade 1 listed
- Out side development red line.
- Gateway to village
- Site provides open views to countryside and vice versa
- Concern re flooding was discussed but not confirmed.
- The application for two dwellings at Latins Hall was a brownfield site, this is a green field site.

Member of public comments were:

- Inaccuracy re address of application site next to no 17 Brockford Road not 15 as detailed
- Application does not suggest size of proposed dwellings
- Need for photos to demonstrate views from Vespers.
- School saturated
- Will lead to another housing estate
- Another entrance onto the highway near the sharp bend

It was also noted there were three errors in the application: the inaccuracy re the title/address, there is a substantial rural hedge at the front of the site and the River Dove is located just across Brockford Road.

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After discussion it was unanimously agreed to recommend refusal of this application, primarily as it is a designated visually important open space, the impact on the setting of St Marys Church, outside the red line and a green field site, but to include the other concerns as part of the response.

b) Results: none

c) Correspondence: nothing

6. Reports:

a) Clerks report & delegated decisions: Actions taken from last meeting and correspondence received since last meeting. Nothing to report.

b) Chairs report : The Mendlesham playingfield boundary with the GR housing site had been checked and found to be correct. The need to check ownership of the ditch and any plans to pipe it was noted.

Action: Cllrs Exley and Nunn

c) Questions to the Chair : No questions asked

7. Mendlesham Parish Council Financial matters:

a) To agree any invoices for payment: None presented.

b) Any other financial matters: Nothing required.

8. Any other business: matters of report and future agenda items. Nothing reported.

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Meeting closed 8pm

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