

Stowe IX Churches Parish Council

Minutes of the interim Parish Council Meeting held on 31st May 2017

Present: Sharon Henley (Chairman), Heidi Carascon (Clerk), Angela Brodie, Keith Mason, David Lane (Vice Chairman), Tony Sanderson
4 parishioners attended

		Action
1081.	Apologies for absence Apologies for absence received from: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tony Teague • John Hillyard 	
1082.	Declarations of interest for items on the agenda No declarations of interest for items on the agenda received.	None
1083.	Planning application received: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> DA/2017/0460 Jasmine Cottage, Main Street, Church Stowe, Northamptonshire, NN7 4SG Variation of Condition 4 of planning permission DA/2012/0066 (Construction of double garage with en-suite bedroom above) to allow use of first floor accommodation as holiday/short term let. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chairman explained historic events with previous planning applications for this property – concerns were raised by the council, the local authority and the Highways agency. • Committee previously refused the application, explanations were given. • New plans have been submitted, which were reviewed on paper copies by the council members. • Objections regarding vehicles and parking on the road, blocking access. Visitors to the air B&B property will cause disruption with their vehicles. • Maximum occupancy discrepancies were raised. 2 pers max on the document, but it's being advertised as sleeping 4 pers. However, this appears to have been amended – website checked by council member after the meeting. • Neighbours were asked if they've had recent noise nuisance problems, they responded in the negative. However, there are frequently two cars associated 	

Heidi Carascon
26 June 2017

Stowe IX Churches Parish Council

with the occupants rather than one stated. Guests are parking adjacent to the garage, rather than in front – parking in bays 3 & 4, which blocks access for others trying to park or access their cars. There is also another house opposite, with no parking that makes use of the spaces.

- Concerns about privacy have been addressed by the addition of an obscured film over the window, however the neighbours do not feel this provides them with the level of privacy they previously enjoyed.
- Council agreed to sustain objections.
- Stowe IX Churches pc sustains our previous objection for the following reasons:
 - The proposed parking may be possible in theory, but the reality is that it is never adhered to and if guests arrive in more than one vehicle (which is often the case) the owner/other occupants of Jasmine Cottage often park their own vehicles on Main Street in order to allow visitors to park, causing an obstruction.
 - Stowe IX churches is a rural farming settlement and large farm vehicles, eg. Tractors and trailers, combines and double decker school buses need clear access through Main street and if cars are parked on both sides of the road, this is not possible.
 - PC are concerned to note that although conditions are appended to original permissions, it would appear it is not too difficult to overturn these conditions at a later date – which undermines the purpose of the conditions placed on the original planning application; which in turn sets a precedent for the future.
 - Although there may be house rules, there is no guarantee that they will be adhered to – the council would like to know how would the proposed rules be enforced?
 - It was also suggested that emergency services may struggle to get through.

What emergency
to get through.

Dea Hester
26 June 2017

Stowe IX Churches Parish Council

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suggestions that photographs of the cars being parked in this manner may be helpful. • Farm traffic is also an issue, which isn't necessarily understood by visitors to the area. <p>ii. DA/2017/0418 Kiln Cottage, Watling Street, Upper Stowe, Northamptonshire, NN7 4RU Two storey rear extension, raising existing roof by 300 mm and first floor balcony</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explanations from the occupants regarding plans, council members looked at paper copies of plans printed from the DCC records online. • No concerns from the council members 	
1084.	<p>Statement of accounts/accounts for payment</p> <p>i. Clerk's salary 1st April to 30th April and expenses 1st January to 31st March £217.73</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It was proposed by David Lane and seconded by Angela Brodie that the above account should be passed for payment. Chairman Sharon Henley signed the invoice. <p>ii. Insurance – Annual premium – amount TBC pending receipt of quotations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Compared quotes from Zurick (£343.93) and Aon (£325.83), cheapest price agreed on. Prices and cover were checked – a unanimous decision to stay with Aon, as the cheapest provider was reached. • It was proposed by David Lane, and seconded by Tony Sanderson that the above account should be passed for payment. 	
1085.	Close meeting	

[Handwritten signature]

26 June 2017