

Heacham Parish Council
LIGHTING AND WATCHING COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY 5th SEPTEMBER 2024 AT 7 PM
TO BE HELD AT JUBILEE CLINIC

MINUTES

PRESENT Cllrs P Sutton (Chairman), J Dear, D Rawnsley, T Parish (Tree warden), and P Rawlinson.

APOLOGIES Cllrs R Pritchard, I Morrison, E Hammond and D Lewis.

Declarations of Interest

Please indicate if there are any interests which should be declared. A declaration of an interest should indicate the nature of the interest (if not already declared on the Register of Interests) and the agenda item to which it relates. If a disclosable pecuniary interest is declared, the Member should withdraw from the room whilst the matter is discussed.

None

2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes from the 1ST August 2024 were agreed and signed as a true record.

3. MATTERS ARISING

There has been no response from Planning to our letter regarding the property in Malthouse Crescent which is 3 foot higher than the donor house. The letter has been put on the planning website.

Action point: Chair to chase this.

4. CHANGES TO LOCAL PLAN

There is to be an extra ordinary meeting on the 11th of September to discuss this as it impacts Heacham.

Talk through the 6 policies then look at the boundary queries. Check when the September meeting is to take place at the Borough.

5. WAR MEMORIAL

The War Memorial is a grade II listed monument. We used a professional monument cleaner who used approved methods. The Chair has written to the planning department at the Borough to advise them that the cleaning had been done. We looked at the lettering but it was felt that memorials need to age with the population but we do need to be able to read the inscriptions. It was agreed that no further action is to be taken regarding the lettering this year and not for a while.

6. NOTICE BOARDS

Notice boards for the Jubilee Clinic and Old Friends Hall. Peter has quotes and photographs, but it was felt one was not needed for the Jubilee Clinic. One is needed for the OFH – right hand side beside the OFH sign. It is felt that we need a board that can be screwed to the

wall, at a cost of £620 - £1,110 + VAT. Additional keys will be an extra cost, our name on the top with be £30 + VAT. Wait for all quotes to come in and then put to full council. The question of other boards was discussed and whether they would be used. A price to be obtained from Wakefield Joinery for a 2 door and a 3 door notice board.

7. AOB

Chair to write to Cllrs Jamieson and Chenery regarding having temporary traffic lights at the Lamsey Lane whilst the Lynn Road/A149 junction is closed to egress of traffic leaving Heacham

7. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

24/01375/F	8 School Road	Demolition of existing dwellinghouse and garage and construction of two dwellinghouses	*Object
24/01415/F	22 Collins Lane	Proposed alteration and extension to form a four bedroom house.	**Object
24/01526/A	Land adj to Fenway	Advertisement application for non-illuminated sign measuring 1 metre x 2 metres. The proposed signage delineates applicant's business which operates from this location	Email to ask if this is a legitimate business.

*Object to planning application 24/01375/F, regarding the proposed development of two properties on the site at * School Road, Heacham.

Our objections are as follows:

1. **Overdevelopment of the Site:** The proposed development attempts to fit two properties on a plot designed for a single dwelling, which does not align with the principles outlined in the Heacham Neighbourhood Plan. Policy 5.6 specifically discourages cramming developments onto sites that are insufficient for their intended use. We believe this proposal conflicts with that policy and does not respect the character of the village.
2. **Lack of Refuse and Recycling Storage:** The application does not appear to provide adequate refuse and recycling storage, which is an essential component of residential development. The absence of designated waste management space raises concerns about the functionality and sustainability of the development.
3. **Insufficient Garden Space:** As per Policy 5.7, at least one of the proposed properties does not provide sufficient garden space to meet the needs of its likely occupancy. Given that these homes are expected to accommodate families, it is crucial that the garden areas be of adequate size to support the needs of children and young adults. The current proposal fails to provide this, which is detrimental to the living standards and contrary to the village's emphasis on preserving a family-friendly environment.

We urge the planning authority to reject this application on the grounds of overdevelopment, lack of essential amenities, and insufficient garden space, which all contradict the Heacham Neighbourhood Plan.

**** Object:**

Object to the planning application 24/01415/F on the same grounds set out by Nimble Planning and Development in their letter dated 22 August 2024. We fully support the points

they raised and wish to reiterate our concerns that the proposed development is far too large for the location, resulting in significant issues for the neighbouring properties.

Firstly, the scale and massing of the proposed building are completely out of place in this area. The size of the development will not only dominate the local landscape but also put undue strain on neighbouring properties overwhelming them. The building's bulk and height are incongruous with the existing character of the neighbours, which is composed of smaller, more traditional properties.

Additionally, the sheer size of the development will have a detrimental impact on the surrounding properties in terms of light, privacy, and potential overshadowing. The proximity to neighbouring homes will result in a negative effect on the quality of life of current residents, who will have to contend with a structure that is disproportionately large for the area.

In conclusion, We urge the Council to reject this application, as it represents an overdevelopment of the site that is not in keeping with the surrounding area and will negatively impact the existing properties

8. NEXT MEETING

Meeting ended 20.25

Date of next meeting to be held on Thursday 3rd October 2024 7pm in the Parish office.

.....Chairman

.....Date