

A meeting of the Parish Council to discuss planning matters was held at Stewkley Village Hall on Monday 20th June 2011. Those present were Councillor PP Smith (in the chair); Councillors WA Lyttle, JR Thornback, Mrs RL Webb, Mrs ME Burgess and Mrs J Wodey. Also present was Mrs AM Cooper, Clerk.

1.P06/11 Apologies received from Cll'r AR Dickens.

2.P06/11 Declarations of interest.

None

3.P06/11 Planning

11/00926/ALB **26 High Street South** – demolition of out building and erection of new outbuilding with rear extension.(AL)

11/00925/APP **26 High Street South** - restoration and rear extension to existing rear outbuilding. (AL) **Stewkley Parish Council has no objections but recommends a condition is placed that the extension does not become a separate habitable dwelling in the future.**

AOC/10/20005/AWD **Old Brick Farm, Dunton Road, Stewkley-** Allocation of conditions 2 and 4 for retrospective part change of use from agricultural to commercial sui generis (material recovery facility) (0.371 hectare).

Stewkley Parish Council has consulted with neighbours, viewed the comprehensive landscaping plans on line and has no comment.

11/01025/APP **35 Dunton Road** – amendment to 10/00217/APP – Replacement outbuilding.(AL)

Stewkley Parish Council has no objections but notes a previous planning condition preventing the building becoming a separate habitable dwelling.

4.P06/11 Cll'rs to note 13th August road closure of A1446 Linslade Western Bypass from 10 pm to 6am for some proposed works by National Grid and Carillion Civil Engineering.

Noted

5.P06/11 Cll'rs to discuss and note contents of the BCC Local Transport Plan-2011-2016.

Noted. Documents passed to Cll'r Thornback for viewing.

6.P06/11 HS 2 – any update at meeting

Cll'rs agreed for Cll'r Mrs Webb to circulate a final draft of a response document once Cll'rs Smith and Thornback have checked all points covered. SPC's response would back up comments from Community Impact Bucks (CIB) plus other credible points showing pertinence to Stewkley and highlighting our discussions with HS2 representatives at the Stoke Mandeville exhibit. Other Cll'rs to let Cll'r Mrs Webb know of any further comments they may have as soon as possible. The consultation process comes to an end on 29th July 2011 so any submissions have to be delivered before then.

7.P06/11 Vale of Aylesbury Plan – any update at meeting

Cll'r Mrs Webb proposed that Stewkley Parish Council does not produce a Neighbourhood Plan to be adopted by AVDC as evidence for AVDC's new Development Plans as Stewkley does not have plans for big developments in the village, but to answer the required four questions from AVDC, following consultation through the grapevine by December 2011, Cll'r Lyttle seconded and unanimously agreed.

8.P06/11 Cll'rs to approve inviting candidates along to July PC meeting who would like to be co-opted onto the PC.

Following a discussion, and in accordance with advice from AVDC, Cll'r Thornback proposed the candidates are contacted by letter and explained the co-opting process and invited to send a paragraph before 4th July as Cll'rs would like to know more about the candidates and how they could contribute to the PC. They should be invited along to the 4th July PC meeting and Cll'rs would vote. The candidates should be informed that although only one of them can be co-opted, the PC would welcome the remaining candidates to attend all PC meetings, have agendas and minutes and contribute to the matters being discussed by Cll'rs in a non voting capacity. Cll'rs agreed.

Letters sent to Alison Kennedy, Brian Wright and Robert Ayres 21st June:

Following the Stewkley Parish Council planning meeting yesterday evening, Cll'rs have asked me to contact the candidates who have expressed an interest in joining the Parish Council. As you are aware at the recent election in May only seven parishioners were elected leaving a vacancy for one more councillor. The Parish Council can co-opt a parishioner but this needs to be done fairly promptly following an election.

Therefore, for your interest, I enclose some information we have received concerning co-opting on to a Parish Council. Should you wish to apply for this position, Cll's would like to invite you to send a brief paragraph about yourself as they would like to know more about you and how you would contribute to the Parish Council. I would be grateful if you could come along to the 4th July Parish Council meeting as Cll'rs will vote and appoint the eighth councillor. Please send (post or email) your resume to the above address by 1st July.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for showing an interest in joining the Parish Council. May I point out that if more than one candidate applies for the one remaining vacancy, the Parish Council would welcome any remaining candidates to still attend all meetings and be an active participant on Stewkley Parish Council albeit in a non voting capacity.

I look forward to hearing from you.

9.P06/11 Any other planning issues Cll'rs wish to raise.

SPC have been made aware of a proposal for a wind farm near Dorcas Lane, west of Stoke Hammond and east of Drayton Parslow (not in Stewkley parish) consisting of 5 turbines each 125 meters high. Cll'r Mrs Webb had met with Force 9, the Development Company and County Cll'r Mrs Brenda Jennings as part of their consultation process. There is a public meeting on 1st July between 2pm and 8.30pm at Stoke Hammond Sports Club. Cll'rs agreed to write to AVDC and ask for them to note SPC as an interested party, therefore could all planning correspondence be sent to SPC too.

Email sent to Jim Cannell 20th June: *Dear Mr Cannell At a planning meeting of Stewkley Parish Council this evening and following a recent meeting with Force 9 Energy, County Councillor Mrs Brenda Jennings and Stewkley Vice Chairman Mrs Rachel Webb as part of their consultation process, Stewkley Parish Council would like to register with you that they are an interested party in the proposed Force 9 Energy proposal for a 5 turbine 12.5 MW wind farm at Dorcas Lane, west of Stoke Hammond and east of Drayton Parslow. Therefore, would it be possible for you to please include Stewkley in your forthcoming distribution of any subsequent planning applications related to this wind farm. Thanking you in anticipation of your reply.Regards*

10.P06/11 Next Parish Council Meeting –7.30pm on Monday 4th July 2011 at the Village Hall.

July Planning meeting

The Chairman had been contacted and requested to move the SPC Planning meeting booked for 18th July to another venue as the Village Hall was required for a very large reception for the new vicar.

Following a discussion Cll'r Mrs Webb proposed that SPC's July Planning meeting should remain at the village hall as it is a long term booking of a public meeting, Cll'r Lyttle seconded. Cll'rs voted against the proposal by 4 votes to 2. The clerk would make a booking at the Methodist Hall as both the school and pavilion have pre arranged bookings.

Cll'rs requested that for future reference, once the clerk has been informed of any such requests, all Cll'rs on the PC should be consulted with at a PC meeting before a decision can be made.

As there was no further business the meeting closed at 9pm.

Minutes accepted Date