

NORTHWAY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Planning Committee held by Zoom on Wednesday, 15th July 2020

Following the passing of the Coronavirus Act 2020 (c.7), Councils are unable to meet in person during the COVID emergency. This meeting was therefore held via a Zoom link, with Councillors connecting remotely. The meeting began at approximately 7:00 p.m.

Present: Cllr Mrs P Godwin (Chairman) Cllr G Shelton (Vice Chairman) From Min
 Cllr M Barnes Cllr C Porter Ref *P/35/20
 Mrs S Terry Cllr J Roberts
 Cllr S Ward

In Attendance: Cllr Mrs E MacTiernan
 Mr T Treacy, Admin Assistant (Maternity Cover)
 Mrs C Woodward, Clerk of the Council

P/31/20 **Apologies for Absence**

No apologies were received.

P/32/20 **Declarations of Interest**

No declarations of interest, as required by the Code of Conduct adopted by the Parish Council on 11th July 2012 (Min Ref C/159/12), including paragraph 12(2), were made.

P/33/20 **Minutes of the Previous Minutes**

Cllr Terry PROPOSED that the Minutes from the Planning Committee Meeting that took place on 17th June 2020 should be approved as a true and accurate record. Cllr Barnes SECONDED.

FOR:	Cllr Terry	Cllr Barnes
	Cllr Godwin	Cllr Roberts
	Cllr Ward	

ABSTENSIONS:	Cllr MacKenzie	Cllr Phennah
	Cllr Porter	

P/34/20 **Matters arising from Previous Minutes**

There were no matters arising.

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P/35/20 **Planning Applications**

i. **Domestic Planning Applications**

New Planning Applications

20/00545/FUL - 30 The Park, Northway

**Change of use for a strip of land from public open space to residential garden.
Erection of two storey side extension.**

*7.03 p.m. Cllr Shelton joined the meeting

Members reviewed the drawings and a letter of objection was tabled that had been received from a neighbour. The letter expressed concern relating to both the release of the land from Tewkesbury Borough Council (TBC) and the precedent that may set. She had always been told that the land could never be sold. She also raised concerns regarding flooding as during the 2007 floods the houses in that area were only saved from flooding by the use of water pumps that were running for many hours and managed to keep the water below the damp course. The neighbour was concerned that with both the proposed extension and the moving of the boundary wall it could make flooding issues worse particularly in the alleyway separating the two properties.

Cllr Ward explained that due to the neighbouring resident's distress he had agreed to meet her on site and go through her concerns which were as relayed in the letter. He also tabled some photographs he had taken to give Members a clearer picture.

Members did not believe that they had any planning grounds on which to object to the application. It was noted that in June 2019 (Min Ref P/38/19 ii refers) when the Council had been approached by TBC enquiring whether the Parish Council had any objections to a strip of land being sold to the resident at No 30 The Park to enable them to build an extension. The Parish Council had voted unanimously that it had no objections to the sale.

Cllr Terry PROPOSED no objections to the application (provided materials were in keeping with existing and a suitable method was found to dispose of surface water runoff) but noted that the drainage issues raised by the resident should be taken into account and also that the concerns raised that the Borough Council may be setting a precedent by selling public open space to residents. Cllr Phennah SECONDED.

FOR:	Cllr Terry	Cllr Phennah
	Cllr Godwin	Cllr Barnes
	Cllr Mackenzie	Cllr Porter
	Cllr Roberts	

ABSTENSIONS: Cllr Ward

20/00551/FUL - 50 The Park, Northway

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P/35/20 **Planning Applications** (Continued)

Erection of a single-storey side and rear extension

Members considered this application and felt it would not impact adversely on other dwellings. Cllr Terry PROPOSED no objections (provided materials were in keeping with existing and a suitable method was found to dispose of surface water run-off). Cllr Mackenzie SECONDED.

FOR: UNANIMOUS

Amended Planning Applications (*Original details are in Italics*)

None received.

Decision Notices

None received

ii. **Industrial Planning Applications**

New Planning Applications

None received.

Amended Planning Applications (*Original details are in Italics*)

None received.

Decision Notices

None received.

P/36/20 **Correspondence for Information**

Tewkesbury Borough Council - The Clerk tabled a letter from The Development Manager at TBC announcing that it would be resuming carrying out site visits, where it was possible to do safely following social distancing guidelines.

P/37/20 **Correspondence received after 9th July 2020**

None received.

As there was no other business the meeting concluded at 7:24 p.m.