Minutes of Meeting on the 11th of November 2021 Elmstead Parish Council Planning Committee

Community Centre, School Road, Elmstead Market, CO7 7ET

Present: Councillors John Gray (chairman), Amanda Brennan, Maxine Jeggo and Gill Williams.

Also Present: Mrs Baxter (clerk) The meeting opened at 7.00pm

21/029 Apologies of Absence

None

21/030 Declaration of Pecuniary Interests and Personal Interests

None

21/031 Approval and signing of the minutes from 8th April 2021

It was resolved to accept the minutes from 8th April 2021 as true and accurate.

Proposed: Cllr Brennan, Seconded: Cllr Williams, 3 in favour. (Cllr Jeggo was not present)

21/032 Public Speaking

None

21/033 Planning Application

21/01552/FUL Land to The East of School Road School Road Elmstead Essex CO7 7ET. Proposed development of 40 dwellings to amend the approved plans for the same plots as per approved application 19/00791/DETAIL (Decision date 15/06/2020).

Deadline for comments: 12th November 2021

The proposed changes were discussed, and it was felt that as the development is on the edge of the village, and in order to blend into the surrounding countryside, as much green space should be retained as possible.

It was resolved that there was no objection to the skewing of the houses but that the council did object to the other changes for the following reasons: the double garages reduce the open green space and there is a greater need for smaller houses in the case of the change from a 3-bedroom to a 4-bedroom property.

It was also resolved to raise a concern about the swale, and whether the barrier will prevent children from accessing the swale as it was felt it could be highly dangerous.

It was also resolved to raise the question of whether there is a footpath within the development to access the pavement at School Road at the entrance to Market Field School. The access road exits onto a 60mph road with no footway. Parents may end up driving to the Primary School if there's no footway connectivity and we are trying to encourage walking and cycling.

Proposed: Cllr Williams, Seconded: Cllr Brennan, all in favour.

21/034 Planning Application

21/01821/TPO Land to The East of Tye Road Elmstead Colchester Essex CO7 7BB. The removal of dead and decaying branches and flailing of significantly overhanging branches to the eastern boundary of the site.

Deadline for comments: 17th November 2021

It was discussed that flailing would remove healthy branches as well as dead and decaying branches, and that we should take a look at the trees in question. It's a thick tree line and it's important for it to be protected. It was asked whether the tree officer would be present as the work is done.

It was resolved ask whether cropping could be employed instead of flailing, and whether the cutting could be monitored by the tree officer. It is concerned that too much healthy tree will be removed.

Proposed: Cllr Williams, Seconded: Cllr Brennan, all in favour.

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21/035 Determinations (for information only)

CC/TEN/31/21 Land between the A120 and A133, to the east of Colchester and west of Elmstead Market. New link road between the existing A120 and A133 inclusive of a grade separated dumbbell junction at the A120, with new accesses to an existing petrol station (Ardleigh South Services) and Colchester Waste Transfer Station; a new roundabout at the junction with the A133; and two intermediate roundabouts along the link road. Together with other associated works and landscaping. Granted.

21/01251/FUL 3 Oatlands Elmstead Colchester Essex CO7 7EN. Proposed construction of conservatory.

Approval - Full

21/01461/FULHH 5 Church Road Elmstead Colchester Essex. Proposed single storey rear extension and internal alterations.

Approval - Full

20/01201/OUT Land adjacent The Willows Clacton Road Elmstead Essex CO7 7DB. Proposed residential development of 5 detached dwellings.

Approval – Outline

21/036 Items for next agenda or for information only.

None

21/037 Date of next meeting.

9th December if there are any applications to discuss.

There being no further business Councillors were thanked for their attendance. Meeting closed at 8.01pm.

Minuted by Angela Baxter

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