

## HUNSTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Planning Meeting held on Wednesday 17 October in the Annexe at Hunston Village Hall.

Present: Mr S Baker, Mrs J Foster (Chairman), Mr P Marshall,  
Mr C Vinton

In attendance: Mrs C Smith (Clerk), 1 member of the public

### 1. Questions/Comments from members of the public

A resident spoke about the tree application for 1 Brook Lea. The resident explained that the application was not clear and provided further information regarding the safety of the trees. The resident expressed concern for the safety of the property and those on St Leodgars Way. The resident stated they wanted to maintain the trees in safe and healthy way so they were sustainable for the future. If the crown is taken out then the trees would branch out and thicken up. This request is made at the recommendation of the Tree surgeon.

### 2. Apologies for absence.

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Betts and Cllr Smith

### 3. Declarations of Interest.

Cllr Marshall declared an interest in the application at Brook Lea as a near neighbour.

Cllr Foster declared an interest in the application for Fieldview as a near neighbour.

### 4. Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 2 October 2018.

On a proposal from Cllr Baker, seconded by Cllr Vinton it was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Planning Meeting held on 2 October be confirmed as a true and correct record of the meeting and they be signed by the Chairman.

### 5. Planning applications.

#### 5.1 HN/18/02448/TPA – 1 Brook Lea, Hunston

Crown reduce by 50% (due to weak unions to base of the trees) on 2 no. Field Maple trees (T4 and T5) subject to HN/18/00006/TPO.

It was reported that the Tree Officer would review the application and make the decision on whether to allow the work.

There was some discussion on the issue of whether the trees were safe.

Councillors were agreed that if there is an issue of safety then the application should be approved.

Cllr Marshall objected on behalf of himself and other residents on St Leodegars Way. He suggested that the trees should be protected as far as possible.

The Council agreed that the first priority should be to protect the trees, but that if the Tree Officer was satisfied that there was a safety issue then the parish Council would only wish the necessary amount of work to make the tree safe to be carried out.

It was agreed that it was generally not good to undertake work on a tree that has a TPO. There was however recognition that any proposed work may improve the stability and sustainability of the trees.

**AGREED RESPONSE:** Hunston Parish Council would not usually support an application for work on trees that were subject to a Tree Preservation Order. However, should the District Council Tree Officer be of the opinion that there was a health and safety requirement for the trees to be crowned, the Parish Council would request that only the necessary amount of work be undertaken to ensure the safety and protection of the trees

5.4 HN/18/00967/DOM – Fieldview, Southover Way, Hunston  
Extension of existing dormers.

The application involves increasing the two dormer windows of the field side to extend the full length of the house. It was noted that a neighbouring resident had expressed concern about the increased traffic and damage to the road during construction. A site visit had been made by several councillors and it was noted that there was a reasonably large driveway that should be able to accommodate construction vehicles.

Due to the narrow nature of the road, along with it not being maintainable highway it was agreed that there should be a condition imposed that restricts the construction traffic to parking onsite and to minimise disruption during construction.

**AGREED RESPONSE:** Hunston Parish Council has no objection to this application. It is however mindful that the application site is down a narrow private road and for that reason would ask that a condition be imposed that before any permission may be granted then a Construction Method Statement should be provided that takes into account the site is on a private road and clearly sets out plans to retain access for residents, where construction vehicles will park, where building materials will be stored, where contractors will park, hours of operation and the if required, resurfacing of the road after completion of the project.

**6. Planning decisions as advised by Chichester District Council**

None.

**7. Enforcement action required or action pending.**

None.

**8. The date of the next meeting.**

The next meeting will be scheduled when there are applications to review.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 7.03pm.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman