

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT BEETLEY VILLAGE HALL ON
WEDNESDAY 11 JANUARY 2017 AT 7.00 P.M.**

Present Councillor J Baldwin (Chair)
Councillor A Leigh
Councillor J Mayhew
Councillor R Richmond
Councillor M Rose
Councillor T Turner

District Councillor R Richmond

8 members of the public.

1. Apologies for absence.

Apologies for absence had been received from Councillor O'Donovan who was on holiday and these were accepted. Apologies for absence had also been received from County Councillor M Kiddle Morris and District Councillor R Duffield.

2. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest.

Councillor Richmond declared a DPI in Agenda item 4.1.4 having submitted parcels of land into the Minerals and Waste Local Development Framework.

3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting.

Councillor Richmond proposed and Councillor Leigh seconded the resolution that the minutes of the meeting held on 1 December 2016 having been circulated be approved. All were in favour and the minutes were duly signed by the Chairman of the meeting.

4. Planning.

4.1 Applications.

4.1.1 3PL/2016/1402/O-Ferndale House the Drift East Bilney-erection of dwelling and garage.

The meeting was adjourned.

Members of the public raised concerns regarding the possible flooding to the rear of the proposed property and the increase of traffic along the Drift and onto Fakenham Road at a site where there is limited visibility. It was felt that this was not a natural infill but use of garden land. Many of the parishioners present were concerned that if permission is granted for this application then this will open the floodgates for more development along both the Drift and in East Bilney. The residents also stated that they had responded to the application to Breckland Council and the same objections as had been raised to the proposed development at 1 The Drift had been raised for this application.

The meeting was reconvened.

Councillor Mayhew stated that he thought that the drainage, the additional traffic and a cramped access were all reasons to object to this application. Councillor Rose stated that it is outside the settlement boundary and should be treated the same as the

application for 1 The Drift. She also stated that this is not infill. Councillor Leigh referred to the planning statement and said that the Parish Council should refute the claims made in that statement in addition to stating its objection to the application. These include the employment claims, transport services, support for local services and that Breckland Council can now demonstrate a five year housing supply. Councillor Richmond agreed with all that had been stated and said that this is classed as Open Countryside and should remain so. He also stressed that this is outside the settlement boundary and the new policies quoted do not apply to this application. Councillor Rose proposed and Councillor Leigh seconded the resolution that an objection be raised for all the reasons discussed. All were in favour.

4.1.2 3PL/2016/1430/F-Garden plot Adjacent Highfield Farm Church Road East Bilney-dwelling and garage.

Councillor Mayhew stated that he could see very little change to the previous application. The dwelling had been moved about 1 metre and the roof line amended. He felt that the same objections apply as those from the original application in that this is outside the settlement boundary and it is in a cramped situation. Again it was agreed that the claims in the statement be refuted.

Councillor Mayhew proposed and Councillor Richmond seconded the resolution that the application be objected to. All were in favour.

4.1.3 3PL/2016/1484/HOU-Hillside Fakenham Road East Bilney-oak framed garage.

Councillor Richmond proposed and Councillor Rose seconded the resolution that no objection be raised. All were in favour.

Councillor Richmond withdrew from the meeting.

4.1.4 C/3/2016/3014-Stanfield Quarry Stanfield-retrospective variation of condition 2 of planning permission C/3/2013/3002 to reflect completed restoration not in accordance with the original restoration proposals.

Councillor Rose proposed and Councillor Leigh seconded the resolution that no objection be raised. All were in favour.

4.2 Decisions.

There were no decisions to report

5. Matters for the Next Meeting.

There were no matters raised for the next meeting.

13. Date of the next Parish Council Meeting.

This was confirmed as Thursday 2 February 2017 at 7.30p.m. to be held at Beetley and East Bilney Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 19.46 hours.