

# Weedon Parish Council Minutes of Meeting

Tuesday 13 February 2023 6.00pm

Minutes of a Planning Meeting of Weedon Parish Council on Monday 13 February 2023 at 6.00pm held in the Old Schoolroom for the purpose of transacting the following business

**Present: Cllrs J Rose (Chair), P Gupta, W Kett, D Atkins, G Delaney**

**Clerk: Ruth Millard**

**Residents: 2 applicants**

## 09/23 Apologies and Members' Interests

The Members received and accepted apologies for absence from Cllrs S Gibbs and T Jameson-Evans

Members are invited to declare disclosable pecuniary interests and other interests in items on the agenda as required by the Weedon Parish Council Code of Conduct for Members and by the Localism Act 2011.

None declared.

## 10/23 Open Forum

For members of the Public to raise any issues. None raised.

## 11/23 Approval of Minutes

Members agreed minutes from a General Meeting 24 January 2023 as a true account. Chair signed the minutes.

## 12/23 Planning

23/00195/APP / Owls Barn 11 Northcroft Weedon Buckinghamshire HP22 4NR / Householder application for insertion of 3 windows to first floor south east elevation.

The Chair closed the meeting to allow the applicants to speak.

The applicants explained that whilst building work was being undertaken, they had decided that the rooms needed daylight. Therefore, taking their previous application into consideration, they decided to put in windows and apply for retrospective planning permission for windows with Class 3 obscure glass (the highest specification of obscurity) and non-opening sashes.

After answering several questions from the members, the Chair opened the meeting for the members to deliberate their comments.

After very careful consideration of material reasons to object to a planning application, the members resolved to write a letter to the planning officer. In this case, the only material planning objection would have been loss of neighbour amenity (privacy) from overlooking with clear glass windows, as the windows clearly are in a position to overlook the bungalows at nos 4 and 5 Newville. The condition of heavy obscure glass in non-opening windows would remove this reason for outright objection to the application, protecting the neighbours' privacy.

Therefore, a letter would be drafted with comments not objecting to the application as presented with the proposed window type, but stating that Weedon Parish Council most strongly rejects the clear glass and opening windows that the applicant has installed in the building in the meantime. The letter would request that if the planning officer is minded to permit non-opening sashes with Class 3 obscure glass, the strongest possible conditions should be attached to the permission to ensure that the windows could not be changed back to clear glass opening windows at any time in the future.

## 13/23 Management of Weedon Graveyard

*Applications:* Carolyn Susan Matheson – Memorial Stone, members agreed to the stone and inscription.

## 14/23 Payments; members noted the payments for this meeting

Buckland Landscapes Ltd. Invoice 46949	LG(misc Prov)A 1976, s19, LGA 1972, s101 & s214	BP 375	757.20
The Old Schoolroom, invoice 6992	LG(misc Prov)A 1976, s19	BP 376	32.50

## 15/23 Date of next meeting

To agree date of next general meeting Tuesday 21 March 2023.

The meeting closed at 6.55 pm.

Chair Signature .....

Date.....