

Minutes of Extra-ordinary Meeting of Long Sutton Parish Council
Held at the Hall on Monday 30th March 2015 At 7 pm

Present: Councillors: Mr R W Fry (Chairman), Mr N G Gould, Mr T P Shire, Mr N E Pomeroy and Mr D C Francis. District Councillor Mr S Pledger and 14 members of the public.

Public Observations/Question Time

It was reported that the wall at Hill House, Langport Road is in need of attention in the interests of public safety.

Apologies for Absence: Councillors Ms P Jukes and Mr S Hart.

1. Declarations of Interest

Mr Gould declared a personal/prejudicial interest as the applicant and Mr Shire declared a personal interest in the Planning Application 15/00986/FUL to be discussed at item 2.3 on the agenda.

2. Planning Applications for consideration:

2.1 Application 15/00849/FUL Erection of single storey front and rear extensions. 9 Cross Lane Cottages.

It was confirmed that there were no representations from neighbours. That the extensions were in keeping and were to give more space.

The PC voted unanimously to support the application subject to any comments made by the Conservation Officer.

2.2 Application 15/00893/FUL Proposed demolition of existing flood damaged dwelling and the erection of a new dwelling, together with change of use of some land from agricultural use to residential use, construction of a detached garage/carport. Kingsmoor Cottage, Somerton Road, Long Load.

It was confirmed that this property is not in a conservation area or listed. The PC voted unanimously to support the application.

2.3 Application 15/00986/FUL Erection of a detached dwelling and change of use and alterations of existing annexe to form a separate dwelling (Part Retrospective) (Revised Application). Land South of Greystones, Off Crouds Lane.

The Chairman invited the applicant Mr Gould to address the PC. Mr Gould said that the application had been revised in view of the representations previously made regarding design and density. That the application was for a 4 bedroom Farmhouse with suitable screening/landscaping. A suitable scheme is being worked out regarding surface water drainage etc. SSDC have also said that the annexe should be a separate dwelling.

Representations from the public were that such a scheme regarding drainage should be approved prior to development. It was felt that the house was a vast improvement but huge and will generate a large amount of water. It was questioned as to where the sewerage plant was going to be. Another matter of concern was the noise level the development would create, the extra traffic along Crouds Lane etc.

Three members of the public spoke in favour of the development saying they felt any matters of concern had been dealt with.

Mr Gould said that the sewerage issue could be conditioned by a unilateral agreement and that they were working towards a sustainable solution regarding a system to recycle water. He also said that he would be prepared to accept an 18 month development period rather than 3 years.

Highways have not raised any concerns regarding either scheme.

Mr Gould then left the room and the PC went into meeting.

Following lengthy discussion of the various issues, the PC voted by a majority (Voting 2 for, 1 against and 1 abstention) that it had no objection to the application subject to the following conditions:-

That there shall be no connection to the public sewer.

A robust ground water management plan together with a sewage treatment facility is put in place to the complete satisfaction of Wessex Water, the Environment Agency, Environmental Health and SSDC's Building Control Department. This being governed by a 106 Agreement.

The PC also ask that construction traffic should be via Littlefield Lane rather than Crouds Lane.

The development to be completed within 18 months of commencement.

The PC would also like the application to be decided by the Area North Committee.

The meeting closed at 8.10 pm.