MINUTES OF PLANNING AND FINANCE/AUDIT COMMITTEE HELD ON TUESDAY 16th SEPTEMBER 2014 AT 7.30 PM AT MILLFIELDS.

PRESENT:
Cllr J Neish (Chairman)
Cllr C Pearce.
Cllr E MacPherson
Cllr R Inman (item 25 onwards)
Cllr A Holloway
Cllr C Border
Miss J Bowd (Parish Clerk)

In attendance:
None

23.To Receive Apologies for Absence.
Cllr M Williamson.

24.To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 19th August 2014
Resolved: That the minutes be signed as a true and correct record.
All in favour (prop Cllr MacPherson, 2nd Cllr Holloway)

25.To note the following applications that have been approved:

(i) Ref 1401012LBC: Proposed dwelling by conversion to existing outbuildings. 28 High Street Needingworth.
Noted
(ii) Ref 1401011FUL: Proposed dwelling by conversion to existing outbuildings. 28 High Street Needingworth.
Noted
(iii) Ref 1400228LBC: Creation of access hard standing and car port. 28 High Street Needingworth.
Noted

26. To consider the following planning application received:
(i) Ref 1401179FUL; Replacement of existing timber gates, fencing and brick wall with new timber gates, brick piers and brick wall (including realignment to increase pavement width/vehicular visibility).
33 High Street Needingworth.
Discussion over implications of the proposal. Clerk asked to confirm that the path would be reinstated to standard and that it would be adopted by CCC Highways.
Resolved: That subject to clarification of the above points that the plans be approved. All in favour (prop Cllr Holloway, 2nd Cllr Inman)

(iv) Ref 1401259FUL: Single storey extension to side elevation to create a garden room.46 High Street Needingworth
Concern was expressed over the change to the streetscene and visibility exiting the site onto the High Street.
The scale of the extension and interior access led Council to believe that it may be used as a kitchen extension not a garden room.

Resolved: That the plans be approved, 4 in favour, 1 against, 1 abstention. (Prop Cllr Holloway, 2nd Cllr Inman).

(v) Ref 1401181LBC: Reconstruction of existing single storey side extension, repairs to external chimney stack and internal and external alterations to form ground floor study and first floor en-suite.
1 Overcote Lane Needingworth.
The wording of the proposed changes caused debate as implication was that the 1st floor en-suite would require the lower floor reconstruction to extend over two floors.
Conclusion made that the en-suite was to be formed within the existing internal floor space of the bedroom.
Resolved: That subject to clarification of the conclusion reached the plans be approved. (Prop Cllr MacPherson, 2nd Cllr Holloway) All in favour.

27. To receive an update on matters relating to the burglary at Millfields and agree any further actions.
Clerk gave a verbal update confirming that the insurance company had been advised of changes to security following the burglary. She also confirmed that the contractor was expected on site 19th September to carry out fencing work, and that the replacement machinery was ready for delivery.

28. To consider quotes for repairs to cemetery splays.
Cllr Pearce felt that as this was Highways property the Parish Council should not carry out the work. Any injuries due to accidents as a result of the poor repair would be directed to CCC.
Resolved: That no action be taken. All in favour
29. To consider new contract and term for street lighting maintenance contract, Balfour Beatty.
Clerk advised that the existing 3 year contract expires June 2015.
Confirmation awaited that the contracts ran concurrently.
Resolved: That a 3 year contract be entered into at cost £20-95 per light.
All in favour. (Prop Cllr Neish, 2nd Cllr MacPherson.

Being no further business the meeting closed at 7.35 pm

Chairman Date