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Minutes of a meeting of the Planning Committee held
on **Monday 26th April 2021** at 7.30pm.
This meeting was held virtually by video conferencing.

Present: Cllrs Woolston, Moore, Fox, Thompson, Collis, Smith, Bromhall, and the Clerk (Jackie Clark)
IN ATTENDANCE: M.Jarvis (Gretton Neighbourhood Watch)

<p>21/011P To receive and approve apologies for absence. RESOLVED: No apologies were received.</p>
<p>21/012P To receive declarations of interest under the Council's Code of Conduct related to business on the agenda. RESOLVED: Cllr.Thompson declared an interest in agenda item 21/015P.</p>
<p>21/013P To receive and approve for signature the minutes of the meeting held on 22nd February, 2021. RESOLVED: The minutes were approved without amendment – as this was a virtual meeting the minutes will be signed by the Chairman at a suitable time.</p>
<p>21/014P Open forum. M.Jarvis informed the Councillors that he had attended the meeting to learn a little more about the TVAS system that had been discussed at a previous meeting that he attended. He receives a lot of comments through the Neighbourhood Watch Facebook page about residents concerns regarding speeding vehicles in the village. He gave an update on Gretton NW Group. The number of members has increased from 87 to 120, unfortunately the application process is onerous. M.Jarvis has complained about this and it is hoped that the system will be made easier. Posters are on display in various places in the village, repairs have been made to the signs and they have also been cleaned. The NW Facebook group has 64 members.</p>
<p>21/015P To consider: NP/21/00169/OUT Re: An Outline Application, all matters reserved, for a detached bungalow to the rear At: 10 Fulwell Avenue, Gretton NN17 3DG RESOLVED: The above planning application was discussed and it was agreed that, whilst there are no objections to the application, the Parish Council request that the following points be noted. - That the property does not impact on other properties - Due to the size of the plot, consideration must be given to ensure there is sufficient room for parking and turning of vehicles. - The location of the property is next to a public footpath which is of concern.</p>
<p>21/016P To consider: NC/21/00072/OUT Re : Application for land off Phoenix Parkway to provide an engineered development platform, and Outline application for the development of an employment park comprising up to 43,000 sqm B2 use, with all matters reserved apart from access At : Storefield Group Limited Land Off Centrix Business Park Napier Road Corby RESOLVED: This application was considered and it was agreed to <u>object</u> to the application on the following grounds: This road and surrounding area are used by the residents of Gretton daily and the Parish Council remains concerned that the roads in this area are often flooded and feels that adequate drainage must be put in place to prevent any risk of flooding on roads in the vicinity. <u>Traffic and Highways</u> The documents state that a 10.9% increase in traffic would have a negligible effect on transport on these roads. However, the Parish Council feels this would generate a very significant amount of traffic overloading the highway infrastructure of the area and have a marked impact on the existing traffic network that is already very busy, particularly during peak travel periods.</p>
<p>20/017P To consider: NC/21/00065/DPA AMENDMENTS</p>

Re: First floor extension to create accommodation at first floor level, single storey extension and internal alterations

At: 10 Harringworth Road, Gretton. NN17 3DD

RESOLVED: This application was discussed and it was agreed to object to the application on the following grounds.

1. There appears to be no consideration of parking in respect of the intensification of use of the property.
2. The property would be oversized for the surroundings and this would have detrimental impact on surrounding neighbours and their properties.
3. The terraced balcony would overlook neighbours' gardens resulting in privacy issues.

20/018 To receive a report following Highways on-site visit and consider TVAS recommendations.

RESOLVED: Cllr.Moore gave the following report - TVAS Site Visit between Parish Council and Highways 16th April 2021. Present: S.Barnwell (Highways), S.Barber (Kier Services), Cllr. Moore, Cllr.Smith and J.Clark (Clerk). Various locations were surveyed and considered for TVAS signs as on the updated maps previously distributed. These locations will be added to the Section 50 license application that is being dealt with by S.Barber on behalf of the PC which the Parish Council will submit with the payment fee for approval.

Once approved, the PC can use any of the locations listed for TVAS signs. All of the signs that the PC have quotes for have been approved by S.Barber and a decision will be agreed at a future meeting as to which supplier to use and if new posts etc. are needed. Once this is decided grants can be applied for.

Corby Road was discussed reference the use of other calming methods i.e., speed humps, chicanes, but at costs of around £20k + these are outside our scope without major funding and evidence of need. North Northamptonshire Council will not consider this unless there is significant evidence of major problems on this road. These types of methods are also problematic with the neighbouring properties suffering increased noise, potential queuing traffic etc.

S.Barber has installed a device on the Corby Road which allows him to monitor speed, number and vehicle type to get some ongoing data. Data from this device, and possibly our own if installed on time, could be used to compare traffic flow before and after the Crematorium construction.

The ongoing issues with Gretton Brook Road were again discussed with S.Barnwell and she confirmed that works are planned in after the road to Priors Hall re-opens. However, she could not guarantee that this would be straight after as it would depend on other priorities.

Following this report, a discussion took place and Cllr.Moore suggested that, once the license has been approved, the PC should consult the residents who live in the various locations that are being considered for TVAS signs. Once a decision has been agreed, a grant could be applied for.

A carefully worded statement should be published informing residents what the PC are intending to do, possible locations and details of the system/process to be followed. It was agreed that M.Jarvis would be given a copy of this statement to be posted on NW Facebook page.

M.Jarvis spoke about the signs in Brigstock that have been changed from battery to solar power. Cllr.Moore stated that solar powered signs are more difficult to move to different locations and are more expensive to buy.

Two battery packs could be purchased – one in the device and one on charge. Location becomes less of an issue if you have more than one unit.

Could the box on Corby Road be moved to other locations? Cllr.Moore agreed to contact S.Barber.

21/019P Councillor questions

RESOLVED:

21/019P(i) Cllr.Thompson reported that a resident has spoken to him regarding planning application NC/21/00115/DPA. He was informed that the design in the plans was recommended by the Highways Department although it was felt the applicant will retract this application and re-submit using a different design.

21/019P9ii) Cllr. Thompson reported that he had looked at the damage caused to the wall by the Jo Stone on the corner of Kirby Road/Corby Road. Although it will need repairing at some stage, it is not unsafe and is not a cause for concern.

21/019P(iii) The minutes for this agenda item will be found in the Confidential Minutes section of the Minute file.

21/020P(iv) Cllr. Fox confirmed that he has arranged for the work to be carried out in the Sports Pavilion to prevent the risk of legionella. The quote for disinfecting and sanitising the water system is £500 plus VAT. This was approved.

21/021(v) The Clerk informed the Councillors that planning permission is required to install a dropped kerb to enable wheelchair access to the Village Green.

21/020P The meeting closed at 9.08pm

Signed: _____ Dated: _____

Chairman, Gretton Parish Council