

ST STEPHEN PARISH COUNCIL

In the District of St.Albans, County of Hertfordshire



**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE *PLANNING* COMMITTEE (10)
HELD AT THE PARISH CENTRE, STATION ROAD,
BRICKET WOOD, ST. ALBANS, HERTS
ON 12 MARCH 2015 AT 7.30 pm**

Present: Cllr Bell (Chairman), Cllr Brannen (part), Cllr Hurford, Cllr Kerry & Cllr Pryce

In attendance: Mrs Carol Hardy (Clerk) & 3 members of the public

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Freeman and Cllr Whittaker.

2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

None.

3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 12 FEBRUARY 2015

RESOLVED: Proposed: Cllr Pryce Seconded: Cllr Kerry **Motion Carried**
That the minutes be accepted as a true record.
Votes in favour: unanimous

4. NOTIFICATION OF OTHER BUSINESS

None.

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

6. TO CONSIDER AND COMMENT UPON THE PLANNING APPLICATIONS

6.1 Major Applications

None.

6.2 To consider and agree comments on the planning applications listed

RESOLVED: Proposed: Cllr Kerry Seconded: Cllr Hurford **Motion Carried**
That the planning comments on the list '12 March 2015' are approved
Votes in favour: unanimous

7. APPEALS

7.1 To consider and agree comments on the appeals listed

Members noted the appeals. All Members agreed that comments previously made on the Brick et Wood Sports & Country Club application should remain.

8. TREE WORK

Cllr Pryce stated that he felt strongly that protected trees should only be felled if they were diseased or dangerous and lopped only to benefit the tree. He did not agree that lack of light or unreasonable living conditions were a valid reason to fell a healthy tree.

RESOLVED: Proposed: Cllr Pryce Seconded: Cllr Bell **Motion Carried**
That objections are raised to the felling of trees at The Beeches Estate and listed on the planning list dated 12 March 2015.

9. REPORTS

9.1 Enforcement Updates

The Clerk reported that the Enforcement Officer had left the Council and a recruitment exercise was underway. In the meantime enforcement was being covered by other Officers.

9.2 SADC Planning Referrals Meeting 5 January 2015 - Woodview Lodge

The Clerk reported that the Head of Planning had responded by saying that she agreed with the previous communications regarding the vote on this application. It was understood that a group of residents were considering a complaint to the Ombudsman.

9.3 Current Consultations

(a) All Saints Pastoral Centre in London Colney

The Clerk reported that Cllr Freeman had attended the consultation and that the developer was intending to retain and refurbish the chapel for community use.

9.4 Strategic Rail Freight Interchange High Court Appeal

The Clerk reported that the decision was awaited.

9.5 Section 106/Community Infrastructure Levy/CIL Funding

Cllr Pryce reported that both he and Cllr Freeman attended the training seminar. £7k was available that the parish council was to put a claim in for.

10. OTHER BUSINESS

None.

The meeting closed at 8.10 pm.

These minutes are to be considered as draft until they have been approved by the committee.

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