

ST STEPHEN PARISH COUNCIL

In the District of St.Albans, County of Hertfordshire



**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE (2) HELD AT THE PARISH CENTRE,
STATION ROAD,
BRICKET WOOD, ST. ALBANS, HERTS
ON 22 JUNE 2017 AT 7.30 pm**

Present: Cllr Freeman (Chairman), Cllr Bell, Cllr Brannen, Cllr Doyle, Cllr Kerry, Cllr Pryce & Cllr Whittaker.

In attendance: Mrs Carol Hardy (Clerk) & 2 members of the public.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None.

2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING 25 MAY 2017

RESOLVED: *Proposed: Cllr Bell* *Seconded: Cllr Kerry* **Motion Carried**
That the minutes are accepted as a true record.

4. NOTIFICATION OF OTHER BUSINESS

None.

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Chairman closed the meeting to allow a member of the public to speak against the application to develop 7 Woodside Road.
The meeting was reopened to allow Members to discuss the application.

6. TO CONSIDER AND COMMENT UPON THE PLANNING APPLICATIONS

6.1 Major planning applications

None.

**6.2 To consider and agree comments on the planning applications listed
7 Woodside Road Bricket Wood**

Member discussed this application and agreed to raise strong objections to the application.

At this point two members of the public left the meeting.

Members went on to discuss the remaining applications.

RESOLVED: *Proposed: Cllr Doyle* *Seconded: Cllr Brannen* **Motion Carried**
That the comments on the planning list dated 22 June 2017 are approved.

7. APPEALS

7.1 To consider and agree comments on the appeals listed

Noted.

8. TREE WORK

8.1 To consider and agree comments on the tree works listed

Cllr Kerry discussed the two applications for tree work. Concern was raised that the two tree applications were on a site that was previously a heavy wooded area; that development as housing was always going to result in tree reduction work and the subsequent unacceptable loss and damage to the remaining protected trees. Objections were raised to both applications.

9. REPORTS

9.1 Enforcement updates

None.

9.2 Current consultations

None.

9.3 Strategic Rail Freight Interchange

No further updates. Cllr Pryce reminded Members to put forward any ideas for alternative uses of the site.

10. OTHER BUSINESS

The Chairman allowed Cllr Pryce to discuss his idea for the reuse of Park Street Mill. Cllr Pryce suggested that as the agents were finding it difficult to be re-let as a commercial building, that a better use of it would be conversion into apartments. There is already on-site parking and good rail links. He went on to suggest that the ground floor would make a good community café. As Members were in agreement, Cllr Pryce will make enquiries with the agent.

The meeting closed at 8.15pm.

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

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