

**DALHAM PARISH COUNCIL****Minutes of the planning meeting held on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2020 via Zoom**

**Councillors present: John Riddell (Chairman), David Fitch, Rachael Padman, Isobel Aylott and Jackie Bolton**

**Also present: Joanne Kirk (Clerk)**

**Open Forum**

No issues were raised.

**1. Acceptance of apologies for absence**

Apologies were received from Claire McDonagh and the reason for absence accepted.

**2. Declaration of Interest in items on the agenda and dispensation requests**

No councillors declared an interest in any items on the agenda.

**3. Planning****a) DC/19/0708/HH & DC/19/0709/LB - 2 Church Lane, Dalham - Replace existing windows with French windows - amended plans**

West Suffolk Council notified Dalham Parish Council that this application was approved by the Delegation Panel on 28<sup>th</sup> July 2020 despite the fact that the closing date is not until 4<sup>th</sup> August 2020.

It was resolved that the following comments would be submitted to West Suffolk Council:

- That the Parish Council notes the Case Officer's apology and accepts it was an error however, the correct process was not followed as the decision was made prior to the published closing date of 4<sup>th</sup> August. In the draft minutes for its meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> July 2020, Dalham Parish Council minuted that the application would be discussed at a planning meeting on 30<sup>th</sup> July 2020. Dalham Parish is concerned about West Suffolk Council's failure to follow due process and therefore questions the legality of the decision.
- Dalham Parish Council restates its previous objections that French windows do not fit in with the style of a listed building and Conservation Area and that there is no intrinsic difference between this application and the previous one.
- In the policies referred to in the Decision Notice, no reference has been made to the Dalham Conservation Area Appraisal which was adopted in May 2008.

**b) Update on DC/18/1425/FUL - The Woodyard, Stores Hill, Dalham**

There is nothing further to report as the application was withdrawn from the agenda of West Suffolk Council's Development Control meeting on 22<sup>nd</sup> July by the Chair in view of a late representation having been received today from a third party, which has resulted in the Planning Authority needing to seek legal advice.

**There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.22pm.**

Signed ..... (Chairman) Dated .....