

WESTON AND BASFORD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF PLANNING COMMITTEE

HELD 13TH SEPTEMBER 2012

PRESENT Councillor J Cornell (Chairman)
Councillors J Densem, M Jones and T Eatough

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillor A E Dickenson

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were invited to declare any interests which they had in any item on the Agenda.

The Chairman, Councillor J Cornell declared an interest in Application Number 12/3072N relating to Englesea Brook Chapel and Museum

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 16TH AUGUST 2012

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Meeting held 16th August 2012 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

(i) 12/3072N NEW RAMPED ACCESS TO CHAPEL, NEW CANOPY AT REAR AND ASSOCIATED WORKS-ENGLESEA BROOK CHAPEL AND MUSEUM, ENGLESEA BROOK CW2 5QW

NOTE: The Chairman, Councillor J Cornell declared an interest in this application and left the room during its consideration taking no part in the discussions nor voting thereon.

Councillor J Densem assumed the Chair for this item only.

The Committee considered this application together with a letter from Dr Jill Barber, Museum Director, confirming that if at any stage the Chapel and Museum were to close 1 Chapel Cottage would be sold as a residential property.

RESOLVED: That the following observations be made on the application:-

The Parish Council has no objection in principle to this application.

It is considered that the proposal will increase the viability and sustainability of this listed building, will now be in keeping with the character of the Conservation Area and will enhance the economic prosperity of the immediate neighbourhood by making the museum potentially more attractive to visitors.

Notwithstanding this, despite the assurances given in the Design & Access Statement, the Parish Council requests that conditions to cover the following points be attached to any planning permission. The Parish Council is particularly concerned that the amenities of the occupiers of No 2

Chapel Cottages should be adequately protected (the two cottages are semi detached and in physical terms extremely close to each other).

- ☑ Adequate sound proofing should be provided to the party wall separating Nos 1 and 2 Chapel Cottages.
- ☑ That the open plan lawn area in front of No 1 Chapel Cottages should not be open to access by visitors to the Chapel or the general public, to protect the amenities of the occupiers of No 2 Chapel Cottages.
- ☑ That the materials used in the construction of the ramp and railings should be in total sympathy with those of the Chapel & Museum, so as not to appear in any way visually obtrusive and not detract from the character of the Conservation Area.
- ☑ That the landscaping and planting around the disabled ramp should be so designed as to reduce its visual intrusion to an absolute minimum.

(ii) 12/3120N THE CABIN ENGLESEA BROOK-DEMOLITION OF CABIN AND CONSTRUCTION OF NEW BUNGALOW

(iii) 12/3165N CHESTNUT HOUSE WHITES LANE WESTON-CERTIFICATE OF LAWFUL DEVELOPMNET FOR PROPOSED SINGLE STOREY EXTENSION

RESOLVED: That no objection be raised to these applications.

CHAIRMAN