Swilland and Witnesham Grouped Parish Council

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MINUTES Planning Committee Meeting

Monday 26th September 2022 at 7.30pm The School Room, Witnesham Baptist Church

- Present: Dr Nicol, Mrs Shaw, Mr Collings, Mr Hindle (Chair) and Mr Roots.
 Apologies for absence: Mr Burrows and Mr Barlow.
- 2. Councillors' declarations of interest: None
- Minutes of the meeting of 22nd August 2022 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chair.
- 4. ESC decisions received since the meeting of 22nd August 2022:
 - a) DC/21/5145/FUL New House Cockfield Hall Lane Witnesham. PC "Supported". ESC permitted.
 - b) DC/21/1583/FUL and DC/21/1584/LBC Low Farm Cockfield Hall Lane Witnesham. Both applications were withdrawn.
 - c) DC/22/2857/FUL Deben Cottage High Road Swilland. PC "No objections": ESC Permitted.
- 5. Planning Applications for Consideration
- a) DC/22/3389/OUT Homeland House Ashbocking Road Swilland Outline Application (Some Matters Reserved) Construction of 4 bungalows and garages (all existing buildings to be demolished). Chair gave overview of the outline application, a previous outline application for 3 dwellings and the site history. After viewing the site plans and discussing these, the following response was agreed. Decision: No Objection". Comment: "The PC supports the outline application as they did for the previous application DC/22/0849/OUT, but consider 4 dwellings as an overdevelopment of the site in relation to the rural character and density of the neighbouring properties and ask ESC to restrict development to 3 dwellings only."
- b) DC/22/3087/FUL and DC/22/3088/LBC Low Farm Cockfield Hall Lane Witnesham Demolition of Victorian and modern east end extensions and chimney stack. Erection of room-in-roof extension to east end. New door link through at first floor via existing east gable window. Internal remodelling. Enlargement of north window opening. Realignment of driveway. After studying the plans and elevations, it was agreed as follows. Decision: "No Objection". Comments: "The PC feel that the design is not

particularly sympathetic to the grade II listed building and are disappointed the heritage appraisal seems weak."

- c) DC/3382/FUL **Toad Hall Newton Hall Lane Swilland** Create a ground fixed 6 kWp solar PV array in the field adjacent to the garden of Toad Hall. This solar installation is to serve Toad Hall in order to lower its carbon footprint. The array will consist of 15 PV panels, laid in three rows of five, overall dimensions 10 x 4.5 m. **Decision:** "No Objection". Comment: "The PC would wish to see that there is no impact on the PROW".
- 6. To approve draft letters to ESC ref DC/22/0998/FUL;Land East Of B1077 Mow Hill Witnesham. One letter to be sent to ESC Case Officer and another to be sent to the ESC Strategic Landscape Advisor were approved. Clerk would send both via email.
- 7. Update status on DC/21/4111/FUL Street Farm The Street Witnesham. A reply from ESC Cllr Colin Hedgley and forwarded response from the ESC Case Officer did not provide any new detail. ESC case officer stated that once ESC have the revised information, they will reconsult with the parish council who will have further opportunity to comment.
- 8. Matters to be brought to the attention of the Planning Committee.

 Mr Hindle would follow up on the SALC survey of ESC Planning.

Meeting closed at 8:30 p.m.