

# **PONTESBURY PARISH COUNCIL**



## **Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2024**

**In attendance:** Cllr D Fletcher, N Lewis, A Hodges, M Trow, D Jones, A Windows, D Gregory, N Hignett

Clerk to the Meeting: Nicola Young

No members of the public in attendance

**PLAN 47.24 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** Apologies of absence were received from: Cllr Roger Evans, family bereavement.

**PLAN 48.24 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CODE OF CONDUCT** None received.

**PLAN 49.24 MINUTES OF PLANNING COMMITTEE** Cllr Hignett was present at the October 2024 Planning Committee meeting, change N Hodges to A Hodges, therefore Minutes to be amended. Following a proposal from Cllr Fletcher and seconded by Cllr Jones, it was agreed to amend, approve & sign the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2024.

**PLAN 50.24 PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS** – no questions.

### **PLAN 51.24 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

**51.1 Planning Decisions for Pontesbury Parish Council Area-** Details of planning decisions made up until 29<sup>th</sup> October 2024 were received and noted by the Committee.

#### **51.2 Planning Applications**

##### **51.2.1 PLANNING REFERENCE: 24/03625/FUL**

Proposal: Creation of additional internal living space in breach of condition 4 to planning permission 11/02313/FUL (retrospective) and insertion of rooflights  
Address: Bridgefield, Lea Cross, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY5 8HR.

Comments: SUPPORT

In light of the appeal decision relating to Quercus Domus and the relevant policy in the SPD which allows for larger affordable homes to fit changing family needs and with no contradiction to Neighbourhood Plan policies we support this application.

##### **51.2.2 PLANNING REFERENCE: 24/03703/LBC**

Proposal: Proposed formation of fire escape doorway in external wall of existing church  
Address: St Annes Church , Shorthill, Lea Cross, Shrewsbury, Shropshire.

Comments: SUPPORT [4 support, 4 abstentions]

The proposed fire exit will not have a significant impact on the character of the building and the removal of the unsightly wooden shed will improve appearance. The sill and lintel should be in matching material to current sills & lintels. The work will be examined by Heritage consultant to ensure that the work is in conjunction with the submitted plans if passed.

### **51.2.3 PLANNING REFERENCE - 24/03569/FUL**

Proposal - Removal of existing static caravan and replace with ancillary annex  
Address: - Mytton Arms, Habberley, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY5 0TP.

Comments: SUPPORT

A visual improvement on the existing dilapidated caravan.  
The surrounding high hedges will provide privacy.  
The low-ridge height, means limited impact on the surroundings.  
It will share services and the limited amenity space with the main house.

### **51.2.4 PLANNING REFERENCE - 24/03957/FUL**

Proposal - Erection of a single storey side extension  
Address: - Asterley Cottage, Asterley, Minsterley, Shrewsbury, Shropshire.

Comments: SUPPORT

The design follows the advice given at the pre-application stage and therefore there will not be any significant impact on the setting of the listed chapel.

**51.3 APPLICATIONS FOR TREE PRESERVATION ORDERS** – No tree preservation order applications were received.

**PLAN 52.24 PONTESBURY VILLAGE CHARACTER** High quality design and better places to live and work, the Neighbourhood Plan encourages all developments to take into consideration the characteristics listed within the document. Thoughts regarding the character of the parish settlements were asked from Planning Committee members.

The matter of many excellent walks & cycleways and green countryside in Pontesbury Parish and surrounding parishes was raised, and the Chairman wished this to be at the forefront of thought when considering planning applications.

Linked into the design and character of the parish, is the importance of those integrating physically and socially with the parish is to recognise and acknowledge local amenities and community buildings.

Pontesbury Parish Neighbourhood Plan is the document which reflects the characteristics of the parish to encourage developers to bring character and uniqueness to any buildings.

New development should be designed so that it integrates with the existing village both physically and socially. Pontesbury Neighbourhood Plan displays the characteristics of the village to assist developers to respect and enhance it.

### **PLAN 53.24 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The date of the next Planning Committee is Monday **2<sup>nd</sup> December 2024** at 6.30pm and will be held in the Pavilion, Hall Bank, Pontesbury, SY5 0RF

### **PLAN 54.24 EXCLUSION OF PRESS & PUBLIC**

In accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public are excluded from the meeting for the following business, on the grounds that the information could involve the possible disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1 and 2 of Schedule 12A of that Act. Proposed Cllr Fletcher and seconded by Cllr Hignett, the public and press were excluded from the meeting.

**PLAN 55.24      PLANNING ENFORCEMENT**

A Planning Enforcement matter, for CONFIDENTIAL information ONLY, was brought to the attention of Planning Committee members.

Meeting ended at 1940

Signed..... Date..... Chairman