

**Minutes of Little Bealings Parish Council meeting held at Bealings Village Hall at 7.15pm
on Monday 17 December 2018**

Present: Mrs M Wilson (Chairman), Ms D Head, Mr D Hunter, Mr I Ransome and Mr B Rufford

Also Present: Two residents

In attendance: Mrs C Ramsden, Clerk to the Council

1 Apologies, Declarations of Interest and Dispensation Requests

Apologies were received from Mrs T Cornish who was working and Dr C Hopkins who had a prior commitment. It was **RESOLVED:**

- To accept the apologies for absence.

There were no declarations of interest or requests for dispensations.

District Councillor Colin Hedgley had also sent apologies that he was unable to attend.

2 Public Participation Session

Two matters were raised:

DC/18/4763/FUL: Erection of Decking to Rear Elevation: 11 Richards Drive

The applicant for the permission explained that the property currently had a small area of concrete decking he wished to replace and planning permission was required due to the slope and height. He showed a photograph of the land and advised that the proposal did not increase views into neighbouring properties, but would provide level access from the rear of the property. He did not know why the application referred to an archaeological site and there was no impact on the adjacent public footpath.

DC/18/4896/FUL: Creation of a New Access from the Highway: Bealings Holt, Martlesham Road

The owner of a property opposite the proposed new access advised that she understood permission for a new dwelling at Bealings Holt was due to be granted and this application proposed an access for it, to be immediately opposite her property. The road was very busy and traffic travelled fast, although the speed limit was 30mph. At present there was a mirror opposite her house which enabled her to exit her driveway safely. She advised that the applicant had told her he intended to move the mirror as it was located in the middle of the proposed access. She doubted she would be able to exit her drive without it in its current position and had objected to SCDC about the application, inviting a visit to assess the visibility.

3 Planning

3.1 DC/18/4763/FUL: Erection of Decking to Rear Elevation: 11 Richards Drive

It was **RESOLVED:**

- That there was no objection to the proposed development.

3.2 DC/18/4896/FUL: Creation of a New Access from the Highway: Bealings Holt, Martlesham Road

Two local residents had also contacted the Council, one to object to the proposal and another to enquire if SCC policy had changed, as he had been advised previously that no new accesses on to Martlesham Road would be allowed.

It was noted that the application for the new dwelling had proposed a shared access with Bealings Holt and there was no explanation for the change of design. Visibility at that access was considered to be good. The current proposal would be very close to Cedar Cottage. It was also noted that it was for the highway authority to advise in respect of traffic and road safety issues. However, it was **RESOLVED**:

- To object to the application in view of the impact of the proposed access upon neighbouring properties and as no consideration has been given to the existing traffic flow and safety along Martlesham Road, specifically:
 - it brings an access very close to Cedar Cottage
 - it creates an access immediately opposite the existing vehicular access to Marydene. The occupier of this property has advised that the applicant intends to remove an existing mirror, as it is currently installed within the proposed access area, which allows her to see along Martlesham Road and exit her property. Without the mirror she states that she will be unable to assess traffic and leave the property safely.
- To ask SCC if there had been a change of policy regarding new accesses on Martlesham Road.

3.3 Update on Applications

Sinks Pit

Councillor Hunter advised that SCC Waste had carried out the work to re-site gas piping on the old landfill site and an opportunity to propose works to raise bunding for noise attenuation therefore arose again.

The Council had received a copy of a letter dated 6 December 2018 from the Assistant Director for Strategic Development, Growth, Highways and Infrastructure at SCC, to local residents who had complained about breaches of planning permissions at Sink's Pit. It responded in respect of many issues, including noise, dust and various activities. It proposed that negotiation with the site operator, SCC and local residents may help resolve some of the issues.

It was **RESOLVED**:

- To advise SCC that the Council would be pleased to attend site liaison meetings, with the operator, SCC, SCDC and residents' representatives
- That the Council supported the creation of a new bund on the old landfill site for noise attenuation.

4 Date of Next Meeting

The next scheduled meeting of the Council would be on Monday 7 January 2019.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 7.40 pm.