

**Minutes of Great Bealings Parish Council meeting held by video conference at 6.00pm on
Monday 1st June 2020**

Present: Anthony Sheppard (Chairman) (AS), Colin Hedgley (CH), Martin Cripps (MC), Mrs Sally Johnson (SJ), Rob Munn (RM), John Carter-Jonas (JCJ)

In attendance: Mrs Dee Knights (DPK), Clerk to the Council plus two members of the public and a planning consultant

The Chairman opened the meeting by expressing thanks on behalf of the PC to Fiona Powell who had very kindly arranged the video conferencing facility

1. Apologies for Absence

None

2. Declaration of Members' Conflicts of Interests in any items on this Agenda

LNPI, District Cllr – CH.

Charles Barrington and Paul Norris had both declared an interest in the Planning Application on the agenda, and did not attend the meeting

3. Planning Application:

DC/20/1648/FUL – 1 Rosery Cottages, Lower Street – Extensions and alterations to dwelling

AS explained that it had previously been agreed by the PC that Planning Applications would be dealt with under delegated powers. However, in this case a Parish Councillor had called for a meeting to discuss this particular application. AS clarified that it had been minuted on 23rd March that providing the Government stated that it was acceptable to hold virtual meetings, the Council will do this wherever possible. He therefore declared that this is not a meeting under delegated powers.

AS stated that he had given permission for a planning consultant to speak on behalf of the resident of No. 2 Rosery Cottages, who had already circulated a comprehensive report stating her objections. AS also stated that a supporting paper by the applicant, dated 29th May 2020 and received on 1st June 2020, had been sent to the Parish Council and circulated to Councillors. The neighbour said that she had not seen this. SJ stated that she had not had time to read all this. The consultant then addressed the meeting.

The application was discussed by Cllrs in detail and questions were asked of the consultant and the neighbour. Some aspects of the supporting paper from the applicant dated 29th May, were explained and clarified for the benefit of the neighbour and Councillors. This included an offer to relocate the new first floor window within the North elevation to the highest position directly beneath the ridge so as to continue to offer daylight to the applicant's bedroom, but completely and fully negates any concerns over privacy. It also included an apology from the applicant for the incorrect positioning of a rooflight for No. 2 on the drawings, which will be revised and submitted.

CH proposed that a vote is taken on the application with a condition that there is an amendment to the plans as follows:

- The new first floor window to be taken up as far as possible to the ridge (as the applicant had proposed in his paper dated 29th May Para 20a)
- That the drawings be amended to show the correct position of the rooflight on the neighbour's property (as the applicant had proposed in his paper dated 29th May Para 21c)

This proposal was seconded by RM and SJ

At the subsequent vote, three Cllrs voted to support the original application, two Cllrs voted to support the application with the amendment, one Cllr objected to both.

It was therefore **RESOLVED** to support the application, but to note the request for an amendment from two Cllrs.

4. Date of next Meeting – Tuesday 7th July

The meeting closed at 6.45pm

Signed.....Chairman