Minutes of the planning meeting of Litcham Parish Council Wednesday 17th November 2021, at 14.00 held at the Jubilee Hall, Litcham (draft)

Present: Parish Councillors: Mike Oldfield (Chairman), Claire Lawrence, Matthew Brookbank

Also, present: Donna Secker (Parish Clerk),1 member of the public, District Councillor Kiddle-Morris and planning officer Mr Blackie

1. To receive apologies of absence

Cllr Mitchell, Cllr Fagence, Cllr Brown, and Cllr Christie all sent their apologies.

- 2. To receive declarations of interest in items on the agenda and consider any requests for dispensations

 No Declaration of interest was made.
- **3.** Public Participation

No public commented.

4. Planning Applications-

4.1- 3PL/2021/1446/F-New access road. Land off Tittleshall road, Litcham (approx. 40m long, 4.5 wide) following the lines of the Old Pathway into Old Chalk works/quarry and adjoining land.

It was noted that the planning officer approached the Chairman asking for directions to carry out a site visit, the Chairman mentioned the planning meeting was about to happen at 1400hrs, and the planning officer joined the meeting. This was not a pre-planned visit.

This application was previously submitted and withdrawn in April 2021. It has now been resubmitted and it was agreed that the parish council would like to amend their comments from the previous application.

A Cllr wanted it note, that the applicant had access to this area when he owned a nearby property but sold the entrance with the property.

It was agreed to amend/change/add additional comments to the previous document that was submitted to the planning portal after a discussion. It was bought to the attention that a supporting document from the applicant was submitted to the planning department yesterday and the clerk read out the parts of the document that were relevant to the discussion. The applicant intends to only cut down 8 trees and part of the leylandii Trees. Only one person will be operating the machinery and that will be the applicant, no machinery will leave the site and no digging will be involved, so no disturbances to the roots. The applicant stated that 3-3.5m was suitable for his requirements but due to highways input they suggest 4.5m.

The items that will be added to the council submission is to request a controlled time of construction and request for usage conditions to be implemented regarding the amount of vehicle or pedestrians visit. The applicant is proposing that he will not need to work on the access road more than 12 times a year, the council would like this restriction implemented to just 12 visits to work on the access road.

Breckland are still waiting to receive the ecological report from the consultant.

Meeting closed at 14.35

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