



Coleford Town Council

Planning Committee Tuesday 10 January 2017 Minutes

Attendees: Cllrs C Elsmore, E Elsmore, Allaway-Martin, Hale & Whittington

1. Apologies were noted from Cllr Thompson & Lusty
2. The Committee declared a pecuniary interest in P/1715/16/FUL and only noted the application
3. There were no dispensations requests
4. The minutes of 13 December 2016 were approved
5. There were no matters arising from the minutes of 13 December 2016
6. The recent planning decisions were noted

7. To agree actions re the ongoing drainage problems at Thurston's Rise

The Committee raised its on-going concern at the failure of the developer to respond to its concerns particularly about the drainage problems of the site. Almost a year ago a meeting was held on site with the site manager promised to get an engineer to provide some technical clarification about the rate of flow of surface water from the site into the culvert. This information is yet to be provided. At least 3 letters have been sent and numerous telephone conversation but the developer has failed to respond

Video and photograph evidence shows that there is a considerable problem with water gathering in the holding pool. The depth of 7' has been recorded with the flow into the pool forming cascades in heavy rain. The Committee consider this to be a significant hazard with ineffectual safety controls as the barrier is too low.

It was also noted that it would appear that the drainage scheme has been altered from then permission granted.

It was proposed that the Forest of Dean District Council planning department be asked to investigate if the full conditions concerning the drainage have been implemented and if any alterations to the permission have been authorised and enacted

Also that David Wilson Homes are contacted again seeking a response to our enquiries. If no response is received within 7 days a formal complaint is lodged and the Committee consider approaching the Health & Safety Executive regarding the potential hazard of insufficient barriers.

Proposed Cllr C Elsmore

Seconded Cllr Hale

On being put to the vote it was unanimously agreed.

The Clerk was asked to contact GCC Rights of Way Department re the temporary suspension of the footpath on the site which now appears to have been permanently blocked



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8. The following were voted on and unanimously agreed.

Ref	Address	Proposal	Comment
P1732/16/FUL	17 Woodgate Road Mile End Coleford GL16 7QE	Erection of a two-storey extension and garage. Demolition of existing lean to extension and garage	No Objection
P1679/16/FUL	Underleaf 13 Boxbush Road Coleford GL16 8DN	Change of use from a surgery/clinic to its previous use as a dwellinghouse (use Class C3)	No Objection
P1532/16/FUL	57 Newland Street Coleford GL16	Erection of a new dwelling and associated works	No Objection
P/1715/16/FUL	Bells Field Recreatuion Area Lords Hill Coleford Glos GL16 8BG	Creation of a multi use recreation ground and amenity area including the erection of a facilities buidling, amphitheatre, wildlife garden, skate park and multi use games area and associated works. This is Town Council application	No Comment