

**MELDRETH PARISH COUNCIL
PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING
UN-APPROVED MINUTES OF THE PLANNING MEETING**

A meeting of the Meldreth Planning Committee was held in the Green Room of the Village Hall on
Thursday 3rd December 2015 at 7.00pm (19.00hrs)

Present: Mr C Land – Chairman (CL), Mr R A Searles (RAS), Mrs C Fallon (CF), Mr D Lee (DL), Mr N Pellatt (NP), Mr D Stewart (DS)

In Attendance: Mrs J Damant (Clerk),

1. Apologies for absence:

Apologies received from Mr S Hawkins

2. To sign and approve Minutes of meeting held on 19th November 2015.

The minutes were proposed by NP, seconded by JF all agreed. The Chairman then signed the minutes as a true record.

RAS expressed concern that the latest media report given by the County Councillor concerning the possible housing at the brown field site at Eternits is slightly differing from what has been reported in the Meldreth Planning minutes of the 19th November.

3. Public Participation:

(For up to 15 mins members of the public may contribute their views and comments - 3mins per item)

There were 2 members of the public in attendance.

Concern was raised in regards to the listed buildings along Whitecroft Road and the increase in heavy goods vehicles. One resident has been in contact with both Listed Buildings Inspector and Highways, who have now instructed them to approach the Parish Council. There was concern expressed regarding the possible increase in vehicles at Fillcup in Shepreth and how this may have a further detrimental affect on their home.

Questions were raised in regards to re-routing traffic, slow traffic down or stopping heavy goods traffic from using this route. Councillors reported that traffic in this area is presently being looked into with possible measures being introduced ie, chicanes and white gates, but they will be positioned nearer Fenny Lane to try and alleviate the accidents which are happening in that area. CAL enquired if residents had been working together to find a solution if it is affecting others. This is a possibility but at the moment they have just been trying to find out who they should be addressing their concerns too. In the past listed buildings had more protection but this does not seem to be the case any longer and there appears to be no one at the local authority who is able to help them. Residents wanted to know why the bio-digester traffic was using Meldreth and not Shepreth, this was explained that the two exists for Shepreth were not viable as the entrance to Fowlmere would have to use the bridge, which is not weight bearing and the entrance via Frog End is a listed as an accident black spot.

It was explained that while the Parish Council have sympathy with these concerns they have very little money and no authority to implement major changes which would need to be done via CCC. Residents enquired if a 20mph speed limit would be allowed along the whole of Whitecroft Road, this would slow the traffic down especially the heavy goods vehicles.

It was agreed that the Clerk make some enquiries and this be put on the agenda for next month.

As this is mainly a Highways issue it will be dealt with in the main meeting. **Action: Clerk**

4. Councillors to disclose any Pecuniary Interests (disclosable pecuniary interests (DPIs) include interests held by a member's spouse, civil partner or similar) listed on the Agenda:

There were no interests declared by any member.

5. Request for the following:

5.1 1A Chiswick End S/2720/15/FL
Jen Townsend
Single storey rear extension and car port for 2 cars in forecourt.
Meldreth Parish Council recommend **Approval** with no comments.

6. SCDC Decisions:

Land off Whaddon Road, S/1447/15/FL. Erection of six affordable houses with associated car parking spaces has been **REFUSED**.

7. Other Items:

7.1 Eternit/Marley – Discussion on the presentation given to the Parish Council on 19th November 2015 regarding a proposal for 170 houses. **Will be discussed in the main meeting.**

7.2 British Queen site meeting
Site meeting to be arranged for the 17th December at 3pm. Clerk to arrange.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 7.35pm.