

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

A meeting of the Meldreth Planning Committee was held in the Green Room of the Village Hall on  
19<sup>th</sup> April 2018 at 7pm (19:00hrs)

**Present:** Cllr R Goddin– Chairman (**RG**), Cllr C A Land (**CAL**), Cllr D Lee (**DL**), Cllr R A Searles (**RS**), and Cllr A Young (**AY**)

**In Attendance:** Mrs J Damant (Clerk) and District Councillor Hart (PH)

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1. **Apologies and agreement for absence:**  
Apologies were received from Cllr N Pellatt (personal reasons). These were excepted and agreed by the council.
2. **To sign and approve the minutes of the meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> April 2018**  
The minutes were proposed by Cllr Land, seconded by Cllr Searles and agreed by all. The Chairman then signed the minutes as a true record.
3. **Public Participation** (For up to 15 mins members of the public may contribute their views and comments - 3mins per item)  
There was one member of the public in attendance. Clarification was given regarding item 5.1 with regards to the Reserved Matters.
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 pecuniary interests declared by any councillor.
5. **Request for the following:**
  - 5.1 **Land to rear of 19-21 Whitecroft Road** **S/0914/18/RM**  
Reserved matters application for appearance, landscaping, layout and scale following approved outline consent S/2553/17/OL for the erection of two dwellings and change of use of part field/paddock to ecological amenity land.  
Highcliffe Properties Ltd.  
Meldreth Planning Committee recommend 'support' with comments 'that the landscaping is carried out and maintained. Proposed by Cllr Young, seconded by Cllr Searles. Vote taken: 4 in favour of support, 1 in favour of refusal. Motion carried.
  - 5.2 **70 Whitecroft Road** **S/0241/18/FL**  
Proposed demolition of 70 Whitecroft Road and associated outbuildings and the erection of 9 new dwellings, including new access.  
Meldreth Planning Committee looked at this application and have given a two-part recommendation.  
The first part concerns the overall application. It was proposed by Cllr Searles that the original concerns whereby the Planning Committee recommended 'refusal' still stands, this was seconded by Cllr Land and agreed by all, this was in regards to application S/1073/16/OL.  
Statement sent to SCDC in June 2016 stated:  
Meldreth Parish Council Objects to the erection of 9 residential properties and other associated works with comments. 'Loss of land outside the village envelope (local development framework) which may be available in the future for affordable housing for local people. There would be two roads joining Whitecroft Road in close proximity to each other. The Meldreth Parish Plan of 2005 strongly supported the development framework in place at that time  
The second part of this recommendation is regarding the ditch.  
Meldreth Planning Committee recommend 'Refusal' with comments, proposed by Cllr Young and seconded by Cllr Searles agreed by all.  
'Meldreth Planning Committee cannot support the application as it has been put forward. The current amendment – the maintenance strip as designated by the applicant lies outside of the boundary of the planning

application. This is identified as the 'red 2 metre maintenance strip', located to the north of the ditch. The blue fenced area as indicated on the plan to the south of the ditch could appear to prevent access to the water course by future residents therefore raising the question of riparian ownership. In addition, the water course to the north east of the site has no designated maintenance strip or ecological area therefore Meldreth Planning Committee are very concerned with regards to future maintenance and access based on historical evidence'.

**6. SCDC Decisions:**

There were no decisions.

**7. Other items:**

There were no other items discussed.

There being no further business to discuss the Chairman closed the meeting at 7.50pm

Chairman \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
For the avoidance of doubt the only legally acceptable version of the Minutes of Meldreth Parish Council are those signed at the meeting.