**GREAT ASHFIELD PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Parish Council Planning Meeting held on Thursday, 3rd March 2022 at 7.30pm**

**In the Lord Thurlow Village Hall, Great Ashfield**

**Mr R. Barker (Chairman)\* Mr I. Sadler\***

**Mrs D. Stick\* Mr A. Peake\***

**Mr. B. Fitch\***

**Mr. R. Dewhirst \***

**Present: All marked\***

Two members of the public

Mrs C White took the minutes.

Cllr Barker welcomed everyone to the meeting, the purpose of the meeting was to consider two recently submitted planning applications.

**1. Record Councillors’ apologies for absence**

No apologies for absence were received.

**2. Declarations of interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

**3. Public Forum**

Two members of the public were in attendance.

One member of the public attended with a view to clarifying and answering questions in relation to the two planning applications already on the agenda (see below).

The second member of the public was relatively new to the village and had come to introduce himself and to raise a potential future planning application.

**4. Planning Applications Received**

i) DC/22/01033 – Householder Application – erection of single storey rear extension, conversion of store with glazed link extension and construction of 2 no dormer windows, replacement windows and reinstatement of blocked up windows and repairs to roof. Exterior alterations as per Design & Access Statement, at Rookery Farm, Daisy Green, Great Ashfield IP31 3HW.

The householder being in attendance was invited by the Chairman to address the meeting to clarify the details of the planning application and to answer Councillor’s questions. The purpose of the work was to make some improvements to the property whilst retaining and enhancing existing original features.

Each element of the application was considered:

a) External alterations include the introduction of 2no gable dormer windows within existing 1st floor store.

b) External repairs to the one and a half storey roof with existing tiles being removed, retained, and replaced once repairs have been carried out.

b) Internal layout alterations on the ground floor including a single storey lean-to extension at the rear sympathetic to the main dwelling and re-configuring of the space to include a garden room, requiring the existing wall between the kitchen & proposed garden room to be opened up to expose existing studwork in keeping with other areas in the house.

d) Proposal for a number of blocked up windows to be reinstated, including an existing mullion window on the ground floor east elevation.

It was noted that the extension and alterations were all to the back of the house and the front elevation would remain unchanged.

Councillors agreed that the works proposed would enhance the existing property as the layout and lighting improvements would bring it more into line with current standards, and unanimously voted in favour of the application.

ii) DC/22/01034 – Application for Listed Building Consent - erection of single storey rear extension, conversion of store with glazed link extension and construction of 2 no dormer windows, replacement windows and reinstatement of blocked up windows and repairs to roof. Exterior alterations as per Design & Access Statement, at Rookery Farm, Daisy Green, Great Ashfield IP31 3HW

Councillors considered the application for listed building consent in-conjunction with the Householder Application above and were reassured that the work proposed and materials to be used would be sympathetic to and in keeping with the nature of the original building.

Councillors unanimously voted in favour of the application.

**15. Time and Date of the Next Meeting**

 The next meeting is scheduled to be held on Thursday, 24th March 2022 in the Lord Thurlow Village Hall at 7.30pm.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked everyone for attending and the meeting closed 7.50pm.