

THORPE MORIEUX PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ADDITIONAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD ON 21 OCTOBER 2020 AT 8PM

This meeting was held remotely by Zoom.

Present: Cllrs Louisa Pepper, John Squirrell, Jules O'Brien, Garry Russell, Ashley Simpson, together with the Clerk, Nicola Smith. No members of the public present at the meeting.

1. Apologies for absence:

- i. Cllrs Keith Lee and John Gagen sent their apologies.
- ii. Cllrs consented to the absences/apologies.

2. Members' Declarations of Interest:

- i. Declarations of interest – Cllr Squirrel declared an interest in Agenda item 4 planning application due to proximity to his own property;
- ii. No declarations of gifts of hospitality received;
- iii. To consider requests for dispensation –none.

3. Public Forum: no members of the public present.

4. Planning:

Application DC/20/04096 – Land opposite Wheelwrights, Bury Road, Thorpe Morieux, IP30 0NR. Erection of a detached dwelling (in lieu of the dwelling approved under DC/19/05766)

Cllr Squirrell did not take part in this discussion or any voting.

Cllrs having consider the application made the following observations:-

The proposed dwelling is disproportionately large and out of character;

The comments made by the Heritage Team have been noted particularly as it is would be situated between 2 listed buildings;

Is a home that large required, bearing in mind how out of context it would be within the setting;

Application mentions original sheds. They were originally for manufacturing of wheels for carts but when mechanisation came about the sheds became redundant and were not needed and would not be needed now. They had not been on site for many years.

Cllrs asked the Clerk to prepare a draft response and circulate for Cllrs to consider before submitting as a response to the planning application.

5. Postbox

The postbox at Bury Road was missing/stolen. Cllr Squirrel had reported it to Royal Mail.

The Collections Planning Manager would carry out his investigations as to whether a

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replacement postbox was required. Cllr Squirrell had gone through the criteria for a replacement and thought that it was suitable for a replacement, and villagers had certainly noticed it missing and were asking about a replacement with several Cllrs.

The PC would have to wait up to 25 weeks for Royal Mail to make their decision about replacing the postbox, and if the PC did not agree with that decision then they would need to make a case to their local MP and County Cllr. In the meantime, any villagers who wanted to contact the Clerk and let her know that they did want a replacement postbox would be helpful in order to show support for this.

Cllr Squirrel will write an article for the Thorpe Times, and update the PC of any development with Royal Mail.

6. Date of next Meeting: - 5 November 2020 at 8pm.

Meeting closed at 8.35pm