PLANNING WORKING GROUP

MINUTES of the Meeting held at the site listed below on Monday, 14 September 2015 from 9.30 - 9.37 am.

PRESENT: Councillors Mike Baldock, Cameron Beart, Bobbin, Mike Dendor, Sue Gent, James Hall, Mike Henderson, Bryan Mulhern (Chairman) and Prescott (Vice-Chairman).

OFFICERS PRESENT: Philippa Davies and Andrew Spiers.

APOLOGIES: Councillors Andy Booth, Roger Clark, Mark Ellen and Peter Marchington.

211 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No interests were declared.

212 15/503738/FULL - 9 WOODSIDE, DUNKIRK

The Chairman welcomed the applicant and a representative from Dunkirk Parish Council to the meeting.

The Planning Officer introduced the application which was for a single-storey wraparound side and rear extension, within the built-up area of Dunkirk. The street already had properties that were extended and an earlier application for a much larger extension was withdrawn in 2014. The side extension would be situated one metre from the boundary, with a width of 1.5 metres. The rear extension would be 3 metres in depth, rising to 5.2 metres.

The Planning Officer reported that Dunkirk Parish Council had objected to the application. They had considered that it was overly large and disproportionate to the existing dwelling. The Planning Officer considered the proposal was not excessive, it was set back from the boundaries of adjacent properties, and policies of rural restraint did not apply in this case.

The applicant provided an overview of the proposal and outlined the benefits the extension would have to her family. The proposals would enable them to remain in the village and it would enhance their quality of life.

The representative from Dunkirk Parish Council explained that the Parish Council had no problem with the house being extended to the rear, but considered the side extension was too close to the boundary and made the extension too large.

A Ward Member considered the rear extension was acceptable, but that the side extension was out of proportion. The Chairman advised that the other Ward Member had no problem with the extension.

In response to questions it was confirmed that the extension would be faced in weatherboarding, to match the existing property, and there would be a one metre gap to the side of the extension, so egress from the front to the back garden was still possible.

Members then toured the site with the Planning Officer.

213 15/500819/FULL - LAND ADJOINING DRIFTWOOD, IMPERIAL DRIVE, WARDEN

This application was considered at the reconvened meeting of the Planning Working Group on Monday 21 September 2015.

214 15/502716/FULL - BREACH FARM PADDOCKS, LAND NORTH-EAST OF BREACH FARM BUNGALOW, BREACH LANE, UPCHURCH

This application was considered at the reconvened meeting of the Planning Working Group on Monday 21 September 2015.

Chairman

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