

## **Hartest Parish Council Minutes of the meeting held at The Institute Wednesday 27 February 2007 at 6.30pm**

In attendance: Cllrs James Long (Chairman), Cllr Mary Gough (Vice-Chair), David Loxton, Jo Pask, John Schofield, Rachel Irvine.

Apologies: Cllr Robin Oaten (prior engagement)

Attending: Marie Huggett (Clerk)

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**07/28 Apologies for absence** – apologies had been received from Cllr Oaten.

**07/29 Declarations of Interest:** None.

**07/30 Minutes of the Meeting held on 7 February 2007** (draft 2) were approved as a true record and signed accordingly.

**07/31 Matters arising from the Meeting of 7 February 2007:** None

**07/32 Public Forum:** No member of the public attended.

**07/33 Planning**

a. To consider Planning applications received:

1. B/06/02039 – 3 Brockley Road – Erection of single-storey building for use as workshop (following the demolition of existing outbuilding). **This is a retrospect planning permission application and a site visit has been made. HPC has no objections. Action Clerk**
2. B/06/00328 – Part side garden of Spring Bank, Lawshall Road – Erection of two-storey building, minor amendment request to increase ground floor garage by 675mm. **As previously stated HPC feels that this further compounds the objections that the Council has made. There is concern that the extension brings the property closer to a deep ditch which is known to flood. Action Clerk**
3. B/06/01866 – Land off Somerton Road, Hartest – Erection of barn and 2 turnout barns. Change of use from agriculture to equestrian use. Alternations to existing vehicular access. **HPC seriously objects to the erection of the barns and therefore objects to the change of use from agriculture to equestrian. The scale of the development is too large. HPC feels that there are enormous landscape implications and fully supports two points raised by the Suffolk Preservation Society in a letter to BDC:**
  - **The Society has serious concerns about the siting of these buildings in the open countryside, on high ground in the SLA and close to the boundary with the Dedham Vale Countryside Project Area.**
  - **The buildings and their approach road will be very dominant within the rural setting particularly when seen across the valley.****HPC does not support the third point made by the Suffolk Preservation Society relating to re-siting the entire group to adjacent Rogers Lane or Somerton Road. Action Clerk**

b. To consider any other applications received since the date of the agenda notice:

1. B//07/00150 – Tower Lodge, Chadacre Road, Hartest – Erection of first floor side extension and link extension from existing dwellinghouse to outbuilding. **HPC has no objections. Action Clerk**
2. B/07/00112 – Giffords Hall, Shimpling – Change of use of existing outbuilding from café/shop to holiday let – consulted as the adjoining Parish Council. **HPC has no objections. Action Clerk**

**07/34 Matters for future consideration:**

- Climate Change Now Community Workshop
- Glemsford Pharmacy application
- The Trees on the Green (letter has been received from Mr Terry Waite asking the Parish Council to consider pollarding the trees – this is currently being looked into). A reply is to be sent to Mr Waite in acknowledgement. **Action Clerk**

**07/35 Date of next meeting** - Monday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2007 at 7.00pm in the Institute.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 7.25pm.