

DITCHINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Planning & Highways Advisory Committee/Decision Committee

Tabled Chair's Report for the January 2014 Parish Council Meeting

PLANNING

2013/2020 (an amendment to 2013/1015H Internal reconfiguration of layout and addition of Velux roof lights.) Since there is no impact on neighbours and the extension is not visible from the road I responded, as Chair, "NO FURTHER COMMENT".

27 Ditchingham Dam BA has approved the erection of a timber store/garage. DPC had recommended it for approval.

Emmaus, Belsey Bridge Road Plans to redevelop the site have been submitted to SNC. A speaker from Emmaus will have addressed this Council meeting. The plans will come before P&H Committee in due course.

20132325 and 20132326 1 Yarmouth Road (St Aidens) [Listed building] Proposed demolitions, extensions and repairs. Immediately prior to this meeting the Planning & Highways Advisory Committee will have considered these plans. The committee will have decided to:

- a) **Recommend the application for approval** and seek the Council's endorsement
- b) **Recommend the application for refusal** and seek the Council's endorsement
- c) **Offer no comment** and seek the Council's endorsement

Traffic Matters With the new wall having been built at the junction of Pirnough Street and Ditchingham Dam, I asked Norfolk County Council (NCC) to check out lines of sight and general safety. District Cllr. Pauline Allen has also raised our concerns with the planning authority (in this case the Broads Authority). Stuart French, of NCC Highways Dept. carried out a site visit and has given assurances that the junction is safe and no modifications to the plans are justified. He has arranged for the road markings to be reinstated as soon as weather conditions permit. Pauline Allen has expressed her dissatisfaction with the outcome (She will talk to us at item 12b.) I am not aware of the extent of our County Cllr's involvement. The full correspondence is available. My committee will respond (or not) as Council requires.

We also asked Suffolk County Council if they had considered the effects of the Bungay road closures on Ditchingham's roads. They believe their diversions are appropriate and they have liaised with NCC.

Regarding the accident at Hollow Hill in November: I asked PC Farrow about getting the police report. Due to data protection issues and protocols this would require a formal request, to Police Head Quarters, for information. I have not proceeded with this but will do so if Council requires.

Parishioners and Cllrs. have reported that, during a recent cycling event on Broome Heath, there were serious issues over parking. Some home owners (E.g. in Green Lane) were unable to get their vehicles out. Another cycling event is scheduled and I shall be liaising with the organisers to ensure that safe access to all properties is maintained.

Keith Weston

20.01.2014

This report will be presented at the meeting. It will be Emailed to Cllrs (who can receive it), District Cllr, and County Cllr. Paper copies will be available to those who want one.