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Minutes of Westbourne Parish Council's Planning Committee which took place on Thursday 13 January 2022 at 6.30pm at The Meeting Place, North Street, Westbourne.

Present: Cllr Lade Barker, Cllr Kim Franks, Cllr Richard Hitchcock, Cllr Nigel Ricketts, Mr Frank Campbell and Clare Kennett, Clerk to the Council.

Meeting chaired by Cllr Hitchcock. One member of the public was present.

1. Declarations of interest: Cllr Barker declared an interest in planning application 21/03554/FUL as the applicant had an alpaca business which he considered to be in competition with Cllr Barker's farm. Cllr Barker therefore decided not to participate in discussions and the decision relating to the application.

2. Apologies for absence: Cllr David Mack.

3. Minutes of the meeting of 9 December 2021: The minutes were agreed to be a true record and were signed as such by the Chair.

4. Updates and issues from the minutes of 9 December 2021:

5. Planning applications: Members made the following decisions.

21/03554/FUL: Retrospective siting of a temporary agricultural worker's mobile home (for a period of 3 years) to provide living accommodation for an essential agricultural worker. Land north of The Grange, Woodmancote Lane, Woodmancote.

It was agreed to object to the planning application as it was considered that there was no justification for residential occupation on the site. In addition, the siting of the mobile home was detrimental to the character of the South Downs National Park. Members considered the application to be contrary to LD1 of the Westbourne Neighbourhood Plan.

21/03540/PA1A (Prior Approvals): Single storey extension to the rear (a) rear extension - 4.50m (b) maximum height - 3.70m (c) height of eaves - 2.60m. Keppel House, North Street, Westbourne. Members noted the application.

SDNPA/21/05578/FUL: Proposed storage compound area, consisting of 15 no. storage containers with associated parking and landscaping. Sindles Farm, Sheepwash Lane, Aldsworth. Members had no objection.

6. Planning appeals: To discuss appeals relevant to the Parish.

APP/L3815/W/21/3285137 and 20/02987/OUT: Four Acre Nursery, Cooks Lane, Southbourne. Outline application for 40 dwellings with all matters reserved apart from access, layout and scale with associated new access roads, parking and

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turning areas, erection of a wastewater pumping station, the provision of surface water drainage features, amendment to the existing site access and works to Cooks Lane including the provision of a new footway on the northern side. Written representations to be received by 20 January.

It was agreed to restate the Council's objection to the planning application.

Mr Campbell informed members that the public inquiry into enforcement notices on Cemetery Lane had been postponed again due to the appellant's council becoming ill. It was hoped that the appeal would be organised for either March or May. It was agreed to write to Michael Gove MP, Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, and copy in Gillian Keegan MP, to inform them of the continued delays to the public inquiry which has resulted in the unauthorised activities being carried out over many years. In addition, the District Council had not been able to pursue valid enforcement notices while the appeal had been outstanding.

Members noted the Planning Inspectorate's decision to dismiss APP/L3815/C/18/3203215 at the Old Army Camp on Cemetery Lane relating to an HGV operating centre.

7. Correspondence from CDC: Members noted the correspondence from Calum Thomas, Senior Planning Officer, about suitable evidence/justification for criterion a) of Policy OA3 -1 relating to the Westbourne Neighbourhood Plan. It was agreed to hold a meeting with members from the WNPSG to discuss a response.

8. Chichester District Council Enforcement Reporting: Members noted the list of enforcement issues.

9. Announcements and items for the next meeting: None.

10. Date of next meeting: The next meeting is scheduled to be held on Thursday 10 February 2022 at 6.15pm.

Meeting closed at 7.05pm.