

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING OF ST NEOT PARISH COUNCIL HELD ELECTRONICALLY USING ZOOM ON WEDNESDAY, 11TH NOVEMBER 2020 AT 7PM

Present: Councillors Dr L Jones (Chair), H Bunt, C Smith, R Berrett, T Hooper and G Rogers.

Sue Blaxley (Parish Clerk)

The Chair opened the meeting at 7pm.

Public Participation

Councillor H Bunt read out correspondence submitted by the applicant of PA20/08326 – application for cattery building at Lamelgate Farm, Bolventor. He said that the cattery is a form of diversification and that the proposed building is close to the farmhouse for security. The Applicant said that his wife has extensive experience in the cattery business so he is confident that it will be a success.

1. Apologies

None

2. Declaration of interest in items on the agenda

None

3. To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 14th October 2020

The minutes of the meeting held on 14th October 2020, having been previously circulated, were agreed as an accurate record.

4. Applications and appeals received from Cornwall Council

To receive and consider the following planning applications:

PA20/08778 Application for non-material amendment to application no. E2/08/01045/FUL dated 15/07/08 to include Insertion of rooflight to north elevation, joinery changes to south/west elevation openings (oak doors), fenestration changes to south elevation (2 new slot windows) flue fixed to outside wall to west

elevation and additional juliet balcony to ground floor opening west elevation at Little Hammett, St Neot

The Chair said that the parish council was not required to comment on this application.

PA20/08326 – Application for cattery building at Lamelgate Farm, Bolventor

The Chair commented that the statutory consultees had not raised any objections to the application. She explained that the proposed building will be a single storey building, 4m high and 75 square metres in area. She said that it will be constructed of cedar lap board cladding, grey box profile roof cladding and mid oak colour UPVC windows. She said that it will be sited behind existing fir trees close to the other farm buildings and will have a low impact in the landscape. She said that it therefore would not detract from the character of the AONB. Councillor T Hooper said that the proposed building will not be too close to any other buildings and will not have an adverse impact on anyone. She said there is a need for diversification. Councillor G Rogers said that it was a shame that one of the existing buildings could not be used. It was proposed by Councillor T Hooper and seconded by Councillor Dr L Jones that the application be supported as it complies with policies 2 part 3c, 12 and 23 of the CLP. All Councillors voted in favour of this proposal.

5. Planning Policy Update

To receive and consider an update on planning policy

The Chair said that Richard Grant is now the Head of Planning Policy at Cornwall Council. She said that she had attended a recent meeting, via Zoom, and the topics covered included infilling and rounding off, the new permitted development rights and the new planning proposals from government which are to supercede the current Cornwall Local Plan. She said the new Cornwall Local Plan will be adopted in 30 months' time and that in the plan, land will be divided into 3 classifications of land use: Growth(land identified for substantial growth), Renewal (land in existing built up areas) ~~land~~ and Protected (areas of environment and cultural character for more stringent development controls). She said that there will be greater emphasis on national policy and a greater emphasis on design. She said it was unclear where the NDPs will sit in the policy framework. The Chair had completed feedback to the government suggesting more regard should be given to the views of people and authorities in Cornwall, especially in relation to affordable housing needs.

6. Date of Next Meeting

To be arranged.

There was no further business and the meeting was closed at 7:25 pm.