

OUSDEN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the planning meeting held on Tuesday 16th June 2020 via Zoom (due to Coronavirus restrictions)

Councillors present: John Gale (Chairman), Guy Holland- Bosworth, Chris Ridge and Geoffrey Ingham.

Also present: Joanne Kirk (clerk) and one member of the public

Open Forum

The following issues were discussed during the Open Forum:

a) Planning application - DC/20/0668/FUL

1. Acceptance of apologies for absence

Sylvia Pettitt and Alan Johansen sent their apologies and the reason for absence was accepted.

2. Declaration of Interest in items on the agenda

No councillors declared an interest in any items on the agenda.

3. Planning**a) DC/20/0668/FUL – NP Nunn Yard, Dunstall Green Road, Ousden – 1 office building with employee rest facilities**

It was resolved that no objections would be made to the application for the office building and rest facilities, however the Parish Council would like to submit the following comments:

Ousden Parish Council does not fully understand the requirement to have the rest facility at this site, having been advised by the applicant at the Parish Council meeting on 16th June that this is an overflow site only, second to the main site at Park Farm. Would it not be more appropriate to have the facilities at the main business location?

Ousden Parish Council would like West Suffolk Council to confirm that they have noted and considered all Ousden Parish Council's comments, both now and previously and that West Suffolk Council has carried out the necessary checks as the applicant has confirmed that the site is being used to run part of his business and not exclusively for agricultural use, which is contrary to what was stated in the original application in 2018 and in the letter submitted by his agent with this current application. Ousden Parish Council is not aware of any previous planning permission having been granted for a change of use from agricultural to business use

Ousden Parish Council has also noticed an increase in Nunn's lorries and supply lorries travelling through the village and is concerned that lorry traffic will increase further as a result of this business use.

It was also resolved that a copy of the Parish Council's response would be sent to District Councillor Mike Chester.

4. Any other business for noting or including on the next agenda

a) A resident has contacted the Parish Council to express an interest in joining the Council. Councillors agreed that she would be invited to the July meeting to meet councillors and give a short account of why should be interested in becoming a parish councillor.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.20pm.

Signed (Chairman) Dated