

Dunkirk Parish Council
Minutes of Planning Committee meeting held at Dunkirk Village Hall on
4 February 2019 at 7.30pm

Present: Jeff Tutt (Chairman), Julie Coleman, Daniel Brice, Phillippa Clarkson, Vaughan Howland, Louise Blackshaw (Clerk)

Declarations of Interest: None

1. **Apologies:** Steve Hitch

2. **Receive Decisions**

None

3. **Consider Applications**

19/500137/FULL – 83 Courtenay Road - Demolition of existing detached garage/outbuilding, side and rear extension. Construction of single storey rear and side extensions. The plans were reviewed and it was commented that the proposal was a good modern design, would be energy efficient, and was felt to be an enhancement to the property. It was agreed to support the application.

19/500282/ LDCEX - Jays Wood, Boughton Hill - Lawful Development Certificate (Existing) for the retention of a single storey timber constructed storage shed and steel shipping container, both used for storing equipment and materials for forestry husbandry within Jays Wood. Due to the absence of some of the documents, this application was deferred to the next meeting.

4. **Review of Outstanding Applications**

16/505251/SUB - Land to The Rear Of 7 Horselees Road. The conditions regarding the disposal of foul and surface water had still not been discharged and whilst visiting a neighbouring site, the planning officer noted that a footing had been started which was in contravention of the planning consent. The owner of the neighbouring property had informed the parish council that following the recent rain, water was backing up from the culvert through the building site and endangering his property. Both Swale and KCC Highways have been notified and an update requested.

5. **Correspondence from James Freeman regarding hard copy planning documents**

An email had been received notifying all parish councils that hard copy planning documents would no longer be provided as a matter of course from 18/4/19. There had been no prior warning of this or consultation with parish councils or ward councilors. The email stated that this was to reduce costs but did not contain any other detail as to how the decision had been made or what fees would be charged for printing and postage of planning documents in the future. Whilst it was agreed that smaller applications could be viewed on the laptop at meetings, this would not be practical for larger applications. All parish councils will have set their budgets for 2019/20 and without any prior knowledge of this, no allocation will have been made for additional printing costs. It was agreed that the clerk would write to James Freeman making these points.

6. **Brotherhood Wood**

Jeff Tutt reported on the latest position following his meeting with Graham Thomas and George Mynham. The size of the site had been shown differently on each planning application and despite the parish council notifying Swale that the boundaries were being

