

Strumpshaw Parish Council

Minutes

Wednesday 7 April 2021 at 7.30 pm by Zoom

Present: Maureen Hammond (Chairman), Sheila Ashford, Paul Dexter, Tina McAuley, David Varley

In attendance: Hilary Hammond, Megan Wilby

Members of the public: none

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Eric McCormick and Martin (Olly) Page

2. Declarations of interest in items on the agenda

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Proposed pig rearing buildings, land north of Wood Lane, Buckenham, 20210010 and 20210052

It was agreed the Parish Council's response would be to recommend refusal of the above applications on the following grounds:

1. Environmental impact: the site is on elevated open land with extensive views across the surrounding area and the Yare Valley to Rockland on the south bank; the buildings proposed and the necessary security lighting would be a visual intrusion over this area which includes an SSSI.
2. Proximity to dwellings and Buckenham Wood would be detrimental due to the likelihood of odour and noise disturbance. Buckenham Wood is an area of ancient woodland visited by members of the public for quiet recreation.
3. Access: the proposed access on Wood Lane is narrow and on a bend and traffic to and from the site would adversely affect the Wood Lane properties.
4. Agriculture: the proposed use may be described as factory farming and should be sited in association with other farm buildings and not on open unspoilt and attractive rural landscape
5. The application is not consistent with the 2014 Strumpshaw Neighbourhood Plan policies POL2, POL7 or POL 8. The piggeries would "impact on the character of the area or the amenity of residents" in relation to POL 8.

4. Thatch Farm, High Road, Cantley, NR13 3JH, demolition of existing lean to and conversion and extension of existing barn to a four bedroom residential dwelling, 20210464

The Parish Council thanked Broadland District Council for consulting them but had no comment to make.

5. Loke House, 8 The Loke, Strumpshaw NR13 4NU, erection of single story extension to rear and internal refurbishments, 20210504

The Parish Council agreed that they had no objection.

6. Glebe Farm, 10 Norwich Road, Strumpshaw, 20210051

It was agreed that the clerk should write to the planning department at Broadland District Council to ask whether any planning decision had been made and copy Grant Nurden in on the email.

M Hammond
Chairman

18th May 2021