



# FRESHWATER PARISH COUNCIL

Clerk's office 01983 752000

---

## MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON 18<sup>th</sup> JULY 2023 AT 6.45PM IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MEMORIAL HALL, FRESHWATER.

**PRESENT:** Councillors A Bamford (Chair), D James, N Thomas, E Cox, G Kennett, C Jarman, J Medland and B Hobbs.

Members of the Public: 9 including Cllr Peter Spink.  
Clerk: M. Edwards

---

Cllr Anne Bamford was elected Chair for this meeting.

**1. APOLOGIES:**

Councillor E Roberts, B Hinton MBE, D Hicklin, C Bray

**2. TO INVITE CLLRS TO DECLARE ANY INTEREST THEY MIGHT HAVE IN THE MATTERS ON THE AGENDA.**

Cllr James declared a pecuniary interest in **23/01107/OUT. Land Rear of Old Coastguard Cottages, Coast Guard Lane with Access off Gate Lane. Freshwater.**

Cllr Kennett declared a non-pecuniary interest in the same application.

Cllr Emma Cox declared a non-pecuniary interest in all planning applications for this meeting as a member of the LPA Planning Committee stating the following "Please note that any predisposed view I express tonight is based on the information that has been presented. However I remain open to listening to all arguments and receiving further material planning information potentially enabling me to change my mind in light of further information."

**3. TO INVITE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK ON A PLANNING APPLICATION ON THE AGENDA, AT THE CHAIRMAN'S DISCRETION.**

None

**4. TO AGREE THE MINUTES OF LAST MEETING HELD ON 4<sup>th</sup> JULY 2023**

The minutes of the meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> July 2023 (having been circulated) were agreed, (E.C/G.K).

**5. UPDATES FROM LAST MEETING AND IWC PLANNING DECISIONS.**

**Approvals**

**23/00809/CLPUD. 6 Millways Freshwater.**

Lawful Development Certificate for proposed replacement of existing fence with brick wall and fence

**23/00458/CLPUD. Bridle House, Norton Green, Freshwater.**

Lawful Development Certificate for alterations to vehicular access.

**6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS TO BE DISCUSSED (AT TIME OF SENDING OUT NOTICE).**

**23/01026/HOU. Longlands, Copse Lane, Freshwater.**

Demolition of single storey extension; proposed two storey extension.

Freshwater Parish Council has no objections to the application.

**23/01107/OUT. Land Rear of Old Coastguard Cottages, Coast Guard Lane with Access off Gate Lane. Freshwater.**

Outline for tourism development of four cabins (revised scheme)

Cllr James left the room during the discussion of this item.

Freshwater Parish Council stands by its original objections for this application. The objections below still stand but with the addition of the following new comment.

The removal of parking will cause less accessibility for the disabled.

Previous objections:

The visibility splays are of key concern.

The applicant does not have ownership or control of the land to the east or west of the Gate Lane, Ocean View House access road junction.

The design of the proposed upgrade to the bus stop is poor. An upgraded bus stop should take into account current guidance from the Manual for Streets and the Inclusive Mobility

The safety of users not using a motorised vehicle has not been given proper consideration. The minimum width for a footpath is 1 metre, however it is desirable for footpaths to be 2 metres wide. The inclusion of a footpath would make the road too narrow for motorised vehicles to pass along it. The applicant has failed to show that the scheme is deliverable should they receive outline planning permission. There is a lack of consideration for pedestrians, cyclists, buggies, wheelchair and/or mobility scooter users within the plan making the site unsustainable. The development would have a permanent and negative impact on the AONB.

Should the Council be mindful to approve this outline planning application we request the following additional conditions:

That a survey of the Ocean View House access road be made prior to the commencement of any and all works to the site.

A traffic and transport plan for the duration of the build.

A survey of the Ocean View House access road, be carried out on completion of the build and all restoration works be completed to the Ocean View House access road before occupation of the site is permitted.

All site activities are limited to, Monday to Friday inclusive between the hours of 8.30 a.m and 6 p.m

Cllr James returned to the room.

7. To agree a response to the draft Housing Affordability Supplementary Planning Document.

It was agreed that all councillors would email their comments to the office for collation – this is to be done as soon as possible.

Planning Meeting Closed 7.55pm.