

**MINUTES of the MEETING of FEERING PARISH COUNCIL PLANNING
COMMITTEE held on THURSDAY 23 FEBRUARY 2015
@ 9.30 am in the Parish Office**

COUNCILLORS PRESENT

Mrs M Lakin (Chairman)
Mrs K Evans

Mr P Petto
Mr J Richardson

Mrs M Freathy (Clerk)

ALSO ATTENDING

Members of the public: None

15/2015 WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

Cllr Lakin welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies were received from **Cllr Bonner**.

16/2015 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

17/2015 AGREEMENT OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of the Meeting 28 January 2015 were **AGREED** proposed **Cllr Petto**, seconded **Cllr Richardson**, and signed by the **Chairman** as a true record.

18/2015 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

None present.

19/2015 AGREEMENT OF FOLLOWING APPLICATIONS

15/00028/TPOCON - Notice of intent to carry out works to a tree in a Conservation Area – Cut down 1 Magnolia tree – 9 Feering Hill Feering Essex CO5 9NH

Councillors agreed to leave comments to its Tree Warden, who commented as follows: ‘The tree needs regular pruning to control its canopy as below phone wires and to control roots as directly above water pipes. Magnolias do not respond well to constant pruning, and pruning should only be done as a last resort. The owners wish to replace the tree with another less vigorous species to the side of the present specimen, so no objection.’

15/00070/FUL - Demolition of existing service station and erection of new sales building, HGV island, above ground 50000 litre diesel tank and 5000 litre AdBlue tank with existing forecourt canopy and pump islands retained - Filling Station London Road Feering Essex CO5 9EL

Councillors commented that whilst they sympathised with the objections made, they didn’t think they were valid reasons for objecting and therefore had no further comment to make. Councillors requested that the BDC enforcement team are informed of accruing lorries stopping overnight behind the garage and that they are unsure if relevant planning permission is held. The complainant to be informed of action taken.
ACTION: Clerk

20/2015 ANY OTHER PLANNING MATTERS

A complaint received regarding the container/building by the river was noted.

Councillors queried why FPC had to obtain planning permission for the Container on the Playing Field and also the container at Cherry Tree Cottage had to be removed. Councillors would like to remind BDC that this container is in a conservation container and to express their disappointment that no further action has been taken. **ACTION: Clerk to liaise with BDC.**

BDC's Delegation Proposals Consultation

Councillors did not agree with the changes proposed concerning the Planning notes and expressed that Parish Councils have a valid comment to make at grass roots level and any objections made should be taken forward for the Committee to consider. **ACTION: Clerk to inform BDC.**

Local Issues and Options Consultation Paper from Braintree District Council

Cllr Evans attended a talk regarding what the Environmental Assessment entails and Councillors **agreed** to use the comments drafted, as per her email of 23 02 15. **ACTION: Clerk to submit to BDC.**

Tiptree Parish Council's Proposed Options for a Consultation in Respect of its Neighbourhood Plan

Councillors noted the report in the Gazette regarding its 2 day consultation and asked that if any more take place, Tiptree Parish Council informs Feering Parish Council as part of the Neighbourhood Planning process which requires the sharing of information with Neighbouring villages. **ACTION: Clerk to liaise with Tiptree Parish Council.**

List of sites called for in both Tiptree and Marks Tey

Councillors noted the list of sites called for in respect of Colchester Borough Council's Development Framework Plan and had no comment to make.

Applications for Community Led Planning Grant Scheme and Neighbourhood Planning Support Grant for 2015

It was **AGREED** that **Cllr Lakin** would ask the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group whether it wishes to apply at its evening meeting on 23 02 15.

There were no other matters to consider for the next Planning Meeting Agenda.

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Date of Next Meeting

It was **agreed** that the next meeting would take place on **Thursday 05th March 2015 at 9.30am** in The Parish Office.

The meeting closed at 12.20 pm

DATE OF NEXT PLANNING MEETING

Thursday 05th March 2015 @ 9.30 am

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Minutes confirmed as a true record of the meeting.

Signed -----

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