

GULDEN MORDEN PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held in the Village Hall
on Thursday 15 August 2011 at 7.30 pm.**

Present: Cllrs: B Holme (Chairman), G Dellar, A Hoad, J Holroyd, G Harper, D Mitchell, and 2 members of the public.

Comments and observations from members of the public and from the County and District Councillors

Mr and Mrs Karat, applicants for Item 2.1.2, were welcomed to the meeting. Mr Karat referred to the site meeting held on 12 August at 7 Dubbs Knoll Road regarding the application for change of use from agricultural to residential use. He reported that his agent had clarified the meaning of the wording with the SCDC Planning Officer and assured the meeting that the application was to change the use of the land only to residential use, and that there was no intention to change the use of the stables and garage to a dwelling now or in the future. Mr Karat was thanked for his statement.

1. To receive apologies for absence and declarations of interest

Apologies were received from Cllrs Bartlett, Davis-Roach and Thorpe.

Cllr Holme declared a personal and prejudicial interest in Item 2.1.2 as his barn is adjacent to the application.

Cllr Harper declared a personal and prejudicial interest in Item 2.1.4.

2. To consider planning and tree work applications received including

2.1 Planning applications received

2.1.1 S/1461/11 – 7 Thompson’s Meadow – Two storey side extension

Cllr Holroyd reported on a site visit made on 12 August by himself, Cllrs Hoad and Mitchell. It was unanimously agreed ^(Prop JH, 2nd DM) to recommend the application for approval as a small side extension would not, detract from the street scene nor cause any other aesthetic problems.

2.1.2 S/1470/11 – Grove House, 7 Potton Road – Retrospective change of use of outbuilding agricultural to residential use incidental to the enjoyment of dwelling

Cllr Holme, having previously declared a personal and prejudicial interest in this item, left the meeting. Cllr Holroyd chaired the meeting for this item. The wording of the application was considered and the Parish Council accepted the statement from Mr Karat that the application was to remedy the situation concerning the development of the land to the East of the stable/store/garage building (which had been extended to include two garages under PD conditions). It was noted that, following a site visit some weeks ago, the SCDC Planning Officer had required a change of use application to enable the change of use of the land from agricultural to residential gardens. A site visit had been carried out by three members of the Parish Council on 12 August, accompanied by Mr Karat, the owner.

It was unanimously agreed ^(Prop JH, 2nd DM) that the Parish Council approved the application, with the comment that the Parish Council accepts that the wording of the application does not constitute a request to change any building from agricultural use to use as a dwelling, but concerns only the use of the land. The Parish Council therefore recommends the application for approval subject to the condition that it is clearly stated that no future residential development of the stable/store/garage building should be permitted.

Cllr Holme rejoined the meeting.

2.1.3 S/1557/11 – 11 New Road – Extension (application to replace an extant planning permission to extend time limit for implementation)

It was unanimously agreed ^(Prop DM, 2nd JH) to recommend the application for approval without comment.

2.1.4 S/1565/11 – 25 Church Street – Single storey side extension

Cllr Harper, having previously declared a personal and prejudicial interest in this item, left the meeting. Cllr Hoad reported on a site visit to the property with Cllrs Holroyd and Mitchell, and it was noted that the application was for a simple single storey extension to the East of the property. It was noted that this was in a Conservation Area but was considered that the proposal would enhance, rather than detract from the street scene. It was unanimously agreed ^(Prop AH, 2nd JH) to recommend the application for approval.

Cllr Harper rejoined the meeting.

2.2 SCDC Decision Notices

2.2.1 S/1183/11 – Beverley Farm – Installation of 42 Photovoltaic panels on south facing roof slope of barn – Approved by SCDC.

Noted.

2.3 Tree Works

2.3.1 89 High Street

Noted that the Parish Council had made no comment.

3. **Closure of meeting**

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 7.48 pm.

Signed Barry J. Holman dated 19th Sept 2011