**St Leonards & St Ives Parish Council**

Planning Committee Meeting

Minutes of the meeting held on 23rd July 2020 at 6.45pm

Held as a Virtual Zoom Meeting

Members present: Cllrs JB Parker, Chairman

Cllr A Davies, Cllr Mrs K Neale, Cllr JW Parker

In attendance: Mr Jonathan Ross, Clerk to the Council

Public speaking: A member of the public spoke about 3/20/0499/FUL

Objecting to the proposal: There are several issues that are of concern. It is felt that the amendment to the original application only changes the proposed opening times and does not address the main concerns raised against that application. One issue is the increased noise. The noise assessment suggests that the school is used until 6pm daily – it is not. Another issue concerning management of the facility suggests that the sports field is currently used for sports three times a week – it is not. It also suggests that it is used by residents in the evenings – it is not.

It is anticipated that the actual noise levels will be considerably higher than those described in the noise assessment. It will be 10 – 16 adults, not children, possibly all shouting at the same time. Residential properties are much closer to the proposed facility than indicated. Decibel levels will be much higher than recommended levels in a residential area.

It is felt that there is a complete lack of detail and insufficient information in the application to determine exactly how the facility will be managed. The management plan is insufficient, and it is felt the school, or a 3rd party as indicated, would not be able to manage it satisfactorily.

There is concern over adults using the changing facilities and potential safeguarding issues. Will background checks be carried out on users.

Excessive light pollution is still of a concern.

It is considered that this is a commercial enterprise and is inappropriate for this community.

64. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest: None

65. Apologies for Absence: Cllr Mrs S Marshall. Cllr N Hindmarch (Technical issues with IT). Cllr R Bryan. Cllr K Gawler

66. Minutes: To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 2nd July 2020. Proposed by Cllr Mrs K Neale and seconded by Cllr A Davies, carried unanimous

Resolved: To accept the minutes of the meeting held on 2nd July 2020

67. Matters arising from the minutes: Cllr JW Parker reported that he could not find any conditions in the planning consent for the building works at 76 Sandy Lane concerning damage and subsequent repairs to the tarmac footpath resulting from the works. He will investigate who tarmacked the path in the first place.

68. Correspondence, for information only: The clerk received an objection to the MUGA from a resident who had had difficulty in submitting it online to Dorset Council. The clerk forwarded it to the planning department on their behalf.

69. Planning Decisions: list emailed

70. Planning Applications:

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| **App** | **Address** | **Proposal** |
| **3/20/0499/FUL** | |  | | --- | | St Ives County First School, Sandy Lane, St Leonards and St Ives, BH24 2LE | | The Parish Council feels very strongly that the amendment to the original planning application does not address or mitigate the serious concerns the Parish Council raised in its initial objection.  In that the noise levels would be unacceptable.  The lighting levels would be unacceptable and that the school does not possess the ability to safely or adequately manage the facility nor has it demonstrated how the facility would be managed properly.  The Parish Council felt that this application does not address or mitigate the detrimental impact on the local community and the environment.  It is of the opinion that this is a commercial venture and is not suitable or appropriate for this community.  The Parish Council does not wish to make any suggestions or proposals that may be deemed acceptable as they believe the whole proposal is unacceptable. |
| **3/20/0548/FUL** | |  | | --- | | 82 Sandy Lane, St Leonards and St Ives, BH24 2LG | | The Parish Council supports this application. It does however request that consideration is given to improve the amount of light the neighbouring property will receive. |
| **3/19/2457/HOU** | |  | | --- | | 80 Wayside Road, St Leonards and St Ives, BH24 2SJ | | There is no change to the original comments made, in that the development must meet the regulations concerning building in the green belt. |
| **3/20/0653/HOU** | 7A Struan Gardens, Ashley Heath, BH24 2EQ | No objection. The Parish Council does raise the issue that the car port is not a car port and appears to be more of a garage. |
| **3/20/0502/HOU** | 73 Lions Lane, Ashley Heath, BH24 2HH | No objections |
| **3/20/0787/HOU**  **Cllr Davies abstained from voting** | 10A Struan Gardens, Ashley Heath, BH24 2EQ | No objections |

71. Change of Meeting Time: It was suggested that the current meeting start time of 6:45pm was too early in the evening for some Councillors to attend. It was agreed that the meeting start time revert to 7:15pm. Proposed by Cllr Mrs K Neale and seconded by Cllr JW Parker, carried unanimous.

Resolved: Future meetings to start at 7:15pm.

72. Exchange of Information:

1. Cllr JW Parker raised concern about the trees at the 74 Woolsbridge Road property. He is in conversation with the tree officer at Dorset Council with an aim to protect the boundary.

2. Next meeting 13th August 2020 provided sufficient business.

Meeting ended at 20:00hrs

Chairman