The 217th Coln St Dennis Parish Council Open Meeting Was held at 7.15pm On Thursday 15th October 2015 in The Coln Valley Village Hall

Present:

Councillors: Nicky Talbot-Rice, Nick Dummett, Graeme Matthew, Philip Allen,

Malcolm Carmichael.

In Attendance: Libby Oakley

Residents: Simon Oakley, Jonathan Davies, Andy Pease, Chris Wright, Janice

Wright

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

1. Minutes if the meeting held on 10th September 2015 were approved and signed.

2. Actions arising:

3. Upper Coln Farm Mobile Home

Mark Wall has been a resident for approx. 3 years. The current mobile home is out of sight although Graeme Matthew noted that the plans are not clear and do not show the location in the curtilage area that Mark Tuffnall has signed to rent. Mark Tuffnall has stated that the plans have been amended. The chairman has agreed to talk with him.

Action: NTR

The main concerns raised were:

- a) The need for a further stud?
- b) If permission granted, what may develop going forward?
- c) Overuse of roads, plus jumps etc. prominent in fields?

The general consensus was not to oppose however a rider should be in place regarding the positioning of the mobile home on agricultural land and if business grows that it will not become residential.

Nick Dummett: unconcerned as long as does not involve intrusive jumps etc – happy with mobile home where it is but any application for permanent dwelling must not be auto assumed.

GM: A degree of control needed.

Philip Allen & Malcolm Carmichael: both happy not to oppose.

4. Broadfield Farm - Solar Panels

NTR questioned whether will be visible? However does not affect Coln Rogers, Coln St Dennis or Calcot.

ND stated that will be visible from the road at Trinders Barn but this could be mitigated by high hedging.

NTR proposed not to oppose – unanimously agreed.

5. Hiring of Village Hall

A concern had been raised prior to the meeting by Jonathan Davies regarding the questionable benefits of hiring the venue to outsiders at cheap rates i.e. £10 per hour and subsequently the associated problems with noise, parking and light pollution.

ND stated that there had been a misconception regarding the letting of the hall. Primarily it has been built for the use of local residents and funded by local residents. There is an objective to pre-empt the forecasted shortfall by hiring to people outside the Parish at a higher rate. With two outside functions in the last six months, lessons are being learned with regards to noise and parking etc.

NTR suggested that early days and will settle down

Chris and Janice Wright wanted to highlight their concerns regarding contacting members of the Village Hall Committee, particularly for older people who are less able to use electronic methods. ND stated that the notice board is updated regularly but uncomfortable with displaying member's personal details on the Village Hall Website or on the Public Board.

NTR suggested that JW emails all comments to Village Hall Committee directly.

6. The provision of Defibrillators in the Villages

Andy Pease asked to raise a discussion point prior to the meeting regarding the proposal of defibrillators fitted to telephone boxes in Coln St Dennis, Coln Rogers and Calcot. AP provided some research material on latest equipment, cost, grants etc. from 'Community Heartbeat'. NTR agreed to pass literature to council members to read.

7. AOB

GM mentioned the CPRE award.

There being no further business NTR declared the meeting closed at 19.50.

Nicky Talbot-Rice Chairman 15th October 2015