

SHEET NO. 12 – 2013

Minutes of an Extra Ordinary meeting of Tackley Parish Council held in Tackley Village Hall on Tuesday 9th April 2013 at 6.45 p.m.

Present:

June Collier (Chairman)

Paul Joslin (Vice Chairman)

Councillors Robert Clow, Les Summers, John Cook, Neil Wilson

13/24 – APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillors Robin Gibbons

13/25 - DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Robert Clow declared an interest in all items on the agenda.

13/26 – PLANNING

13/0389/P/FP – 57 St. John's Road

Councillor John Cook proposed that the Parish Council object to this application for the following reasons. The proposed extension, by reference to its size and form, will have a significant adverse effect on the adjoining garden to 56 Nethercote Road. The intended increased size of the house would indicate that the (restricted) site is being overdeveloped.

This perceived overdevelopment may, in part, be due to the design of the extension adopted which increases the height of the overall building closer to the Eastern boundary. By substituting the twin gables with hips with lower eaves, and reverting back to a flat roof over the garage the adverse effect on the adjoining garden could be substantially reduced.

Some Councillors were concerned by the quality of the application. The responses to questions on the application form relating to parking provision, visibility from public roads/footpath and possible need to prune existing trees (on adjoining land) are questionable /incorrect. The drawings lack any indication of the location of the stated materials to be used, elevations are incomplete and there is no attempt to illustrate the proposal in its context.

This was seconded by Councillor Les Summers. Councillor Paul Joslin abstained from the vote but all other Councillors in favour.

13/27 - RAILWAY UPDATE

Councillor June Collier welcomed Dan Weeks and Andy Sylvian from Oxfordshire County Council and Richard McCrory to the meeting.

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Richard provided a brief overview of the proposed scheme which involves electrification of the Tackley line which means that improvements have to be made to the crossing to make it safer. The options for the crossing are now becoming clearer and it is expected that Network Rail will have narrowed this to two by the next meeting with them to be held on 14/5/13 at 4.30 p.m. At this meeting Councillor Les Summers agreed to take the minutes as the Clerk is unavailable.

Councillor Robert Clow asked whether the option of traffic lights had been considered, but was informed by Richard that it was felt on safety grounds not to be an option.

Councillor Neil Wilson felt that the Oxford bound platform should be moved south to discourage people from cutting across the track.

Oxfordshire County Council officers need to be included in discussions as their Bridge Team will have to have an input into the scheme due to the legal implications.

(Councillor Robert Clow left the meeting – 7.20 p.m.)

13/28 – ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Councillor Paul Joslin asked the Clerk whether the fee for rental of the village playing field had been received from Giffords Circus. He was informed that they had paid the £350 fee.

Meeting closed 7.35 p.m.

Signed

Date