FINCHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of an Ordinary meeting of the Planning Committee, duly convened on Wednesday 3rd May 2017 at Fincham Memorial Hall. Commenced at 7.00pm with Cllr. Delderfield in the Chair.

Attending:

Cllr. Jacqueline Anderson

Cllr. John Delderfield

Cllr. Alan Foreman

Cllr. Cathy O'Brien

Cllr. Chris Perry

Cllr. Barbara Ponder

Cllr. Joe Underhill

Cllr. Brian Long (County Councillor)

Cllr. Sandra Squire (Borough Councillor)

Miss Sarah Thorpe (Clerk)

6 members of the public.

1. Apologies.

Apologies had been received from Cllr. Blackmur.

2. Declarations of Interest

None

3. Public Forum

The Chairman advised that he would allow the public to speak about each application before it was discussed.

The applicant of planning application to be discussed under item 4a spoke in support of his application.

4. Planning Applications

Item a 17/00719/F Construction of one bungalow south of The Bell House including construction of passing bay for Chapel Lane and new access at The Bell House, Chapel Lane.

The Parish Council discussed the application and all were in agreement with the decision. **Decision:** SUPPORT

Item b 17/00700/F Variation of conditions 5 and 7 and removal of condition 16 of planning application 16/01747/O at land east of Marham Road.

The Chairman invited member of the public to speak but no comments were made on this application.

The Parish Council discussed the application and all were in agreement with the decision. **Decision:** SUPPORT

Item c 17/00745/F Proposed construction of two dwellings and pair of courtyard carports/cycle stores following demolition of existing sub-standard structures at Church Farm Barns, High Street.

The Chairman invited members of the public to speak about the application and several residents spoke in objection to the application for various reasons which would result in disamenity to their properties. Cllr. Anderson also spoke during the public forum section on this application but did not take part in the discussion or decision made by the PC.

The Parish Council discussed the application and all were in agreement with the decision.

Decision: OBJECT

The following reasons were agreed for the objection:

Impact on residential amenity

Impact on conservation area – the barn is a significant building in the conservation area and is referred to in the character statement regarding the Fincham conservation area. Copies of documents to be sent to show that the barn dates to at least circa 1736.

Impact on protected species – bat survey is not up to date and many residents commented that bats were currently present in the barn.

Highways – would result in additional traffic on to the highway.

Boundary fencing – higher boundary fencing would be needed adjacent to The Kingfisher. Cllr. Squire was asked to call the application in, so that it would be decided by the Planning Committee, if the Planning Officer was minded to approve the application.

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There being no further business, the meeting closed at 7.32pm.

Signed as a true record of the meeting:	 Date:	