

Wendens Ambo Parish Council

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting 11th July 2022

Wendens Ambo Parish Council Meeting in Wendens Ambo Village Hall, Wendens Ambo at 8pm.

Present: Chair Gail Gibbs, Councillors: Kathryn Butterworth, Alan Lovett, Sam Slota-Newson

In Attendance: District Cllr Neil Gregory, two members of the public and the Clerk Jane Rolfe

07/22/01E	Chair`s Welcome Chair Gail Gibbs welcomed everyone to the meeting.
07/22/02E	Apologies For Absence Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Simon Rowley, Chris Stringer, Chris Howitt, County Cllr Paul Gadd and District Cllr Richard Pavitt.
07/22/03E	Declarations Of Interests None.
07/22/04E	Any Other Business i) District Cllr Neil Gregory advised of a meeting that he is chairing on Thursday 14 th July regarding plans for Stansted Airport, and invited all to attend. ii) District Cllr Gregory reported that the suspected arsonist has set fire to a static caravan at Great Chesterford. It happened at night when no one was in it. As previously arranged, Cllr Sam Slota-Newson will write a letter to the police commissioner detailing the Parish Council's concerns regarding this spate of local incidents.
07/22/05E	Public Participation A member of the public, who currently resides at Norton House, reported that she bought the property in April with full knowledge of the planned development of the site. She raised the following concerns regarding planning application UTT/22/1494/DFO and the recent amendments: i) The annex is referred to an 'outbuilding' in the documentation and is represented by photograph showing a side of the annex with no windows. The annex is considered to be integral accommodation to the dwelling part of Norton House. ii) The proposed new build is extremely close to the windows in the annex and will block out light. iii) After an amicable discussion with the developers, the current owners of Norton House are still not satisfied with the position of the new build property as it has been moved by one metre and is extremely close to their boundary resulting in light being impacted. The reason given for the move is to accommodate a tree with a TPO. iv) Is the house being designed in keeping with surroundings? v) The original outline permission was closer to Bulse Grange, but the design has been flipped so that the two storey end is now right up to the boundary of Norton House. vi) The revised plans are very different from the outline plans. It was discussed that two neighbours (including the current owner of Norton House) did not receive notification of the amended plans.
07/22/06E	District Councillor's Report i) Cllr Neil Gregory noted that the plans were validated on 31/05/2022 ii) Cllr Gregory suggested: a) The mass of structure and orientation should be questioned. b) The scale is inappropriate c) The new design is very different from outline plans d) The new position is too close to Norton House boundary e) Something closer to the original plans will be supported
07/22/07E	Matters to be raised for next meeting's agenda Update on planning application for Norton House
07/22/08E	Meeting Actions Comments to be made to UDC by deadline of 14 th July to strongly oppose the amended Norton House planning application Cllr Slota-Newson to write to Police Commissioner regarding recent spate of suspected arson in local area.
	The meeting closed at 9.15pm

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on 5th September at 8pm, in Wendens Ambo Village Hall.

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