HETHERSETT PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING
Held on Wednesday 16th May 2022 at 7pm
In the Village Hall, Back Lane, Hethersett

Present: Mrs A Quinlan (Chairman), Mr L Dale, Mrs S Lawrence, Mr C Morriss & Mrs B Williamson
In attendance: Mrs A Palmer (Clerk)
Members of the public: 0

1. Apologies

These were received from Ms E Mulvaney and Mr J Nightingale. In the absence of Ms Mulvaney, Mrs Quinlan was appointed Chairman for this evening's meeting.

2. Declarations of Interest

There were none.

3. Adjournment of meeting

In the absence of any members of the public, the meeting continued without adjournment.

4. Approval of the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on the 4th May 2022

The minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on the 4th May 2022 were unanimously approved and duly signed on the proposal of Mrs Williamson, seconded by Mrs Quinlan.

5. a) Consideration of Planning Applications:

i. 2022/0569 – 27 Myrtle Road, Hethersett
Proposed single storey rear extension and demolition of garage
Parish Council's response:
The Planning Committee decided that, following consideration, it had no comments to make.

ii. 2022/0838 – 1 Wiffens Loke, Hethersett
Insertion of five Velux conservation roof windows. Erection of greenhouse
Parish Council's response:
The Planning Committee decided that, following consideration, it had no comments to make.

iii. 2022/0839 – 1 Wiffens Loke, Hethersett
Insertion of five Velux conservation roof windows. Erection of greenhouse (listed building consent)
Parish Council's response:
The Planning Committee decided that, following consideration, it had no comments to make on the proviso that the Conservation Officer had been consulted and had raised no concerns.

b) Any other planning applications received before date of meeting:

i. 2022/0201 – Land north of McDonalds Restaurant, Norwich Road, Hethersett
Extension of an existing access road and erection of two single storey buildings; one for coffee shop with drive-thru (Class E) and the other for mixed restaurant and hot food takeaway use (sui generis), incorporating 'drive-thru' lanes for both buildings, car and cycle parking (including both blue badge holder bays and electric vehicle charging bays), external lighting and landscaping
Parish Council's response:
The Planning Committee decided that, following consideration, the amended application should be refused on the following grounds:

- Members would like to reiterate the comments made at the Planning Committee meeting held on the 7th March 2022 as follows:
    - Concern for the environment in terms of loss of wildlife, loss of former agricultural land, increase in the volume of litter and increase in the use of plastic packaging etc.
    - The proposed building will be inside the bypass protection zone.
    - It would be better to return the land to its original use i.e. agricultural
    - Concern as to the proximity of overhead electricity cables
    - Increase in the volume of traffic in an already congested area
    - Change of character. It is feared that the area will change from a semi-rural location into an out-of-town commercial zone.

ii. 2022/0202 – Land north of McDonalds Restaurant, Norwich Road, Hethersett
Freestanding and elevational illuminated and non-illuminated signage
Parish Council's response:
The Planning Committee decided that, following consideration, the amended application should be refused on the following grounds:

- In addition to the reasons stated for planning application number 2022/0201, the installation of illuminated signage will lead to light pollution in a semi-rural location.

6. a) Planning Decisions:
None
b) Any other planning decisions received before date of meeting:
None

7. Correspondence:
None

8. Adjournment of meeting:
In the absence of any members of the public, the meeting continued without adjournment.

9. Date of next meeting:
Monday 6th June 2022 at 7pm in the Village Hall, Back Lane, Hethersett

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 7.06pm

Minutes approved …… Date ……...