

**Minutes of Whaddon Planning Committee meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> November 2015 at 7.45p.m. in Whaddon Village Hall, Church Street, Whaddon, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 5RY.**

Present: Chair Cllr K French  
 Committee members Cllr W Elbourn, Cllr LGinger, Cllr A Milton, Cllr R Scott  
 (from 7.47p.m.)  
 Clerk Mrs G van Poortvliet  
 Members of the Public 3 present

1. **Apologies for absence** – none received.
2. **Disclosure of interests** – none declared. Note that Cllr Scott later declared an interest in this application (see 4.1 below).
3. **Approval and signing of minutes from the Planning Committee meeting of 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2015** – resolved that the minutes be signed by the Chair as a true and correct record.
4. **Planning Application S/2491/15/FL, 138 Church Street, Whaddon, SG8 5RX for rear two storey and part single storey extension:**
  - 4.1 **Comments from the public:** a member of the public (the applicant) stated that the reason for the planning application was to allow them to stay in the village whilst accommodating the needs of a growing family.  
 (Cllr Scott entered the meeting, gave apologies for late arrival and declared an interest. Cllr Scott would not be able to vote on this application).  
 A member of the public (owner of a property which directly neighboured the applicant's) commented that the scale of the proposed extension was overpowering, would overshadow their patio and garden and have an adverse impact on their light. These comments had been conveyed to the Planning Officer. In addition, at the time the properties were originally built, development restrictions had been placed on them by South Cambridgeshire District Council as they wanted them to be small family homes.
  - 4.2 **Discussion and agreement of Parish Council (PC) recommendation and comments** – the application was discussed. Resolved: that the PC recommend refusal of the application. Comments to be that the PC was not opposed to development of this property but that it queried whether the impact on light and privacy for neighbours, given the scale of the extension, might be a material consideration. They would like this to be reviewed by SCDC's Planners. If planning permission was granted, the PC would like to request restrictions on building works during the weekend (not after midday on Saturday) and that there be no bonfires on site. Action: the Clerk to advise SCDC of the PC's recommendation.
5. **Items for the next meeting** – the Cllrs agreed to hold a meeting on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> November at 8,00p.m. to consider a planning application that had recently been received. Action: the Clerk to arrange a meeting.

**The meeting closed at 8.04 pm.**