Minutes of Whaddon Planning Committee meeting held on 12th September 2016 at 7.40p.m. in Whaddon Village Hall, Church Street, Whaddon, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 5RY.

Present: Chair Cllr K French
Committee members Cllr L Ginger, Cllr A Milton
Clerk Mrs G van Poortvliet
Members of the Public 2 present

1. **Election of Chair of the Planning Committee** – resolved that Mrs K French be elected as Chair of the Planning Committee.

2. **Election of Vice-Chair of the Planning Committee** – resolved that Mr R Scott be elected as Vice-Chair of the Planning Committee. Action: the Clerk to check that Cllr Scott is prepared to be Vice-Chair of the Planning Committee.

3. **Apologies for absence** – received from Cllr W Elbourn (holiday) and Cllr R Scott (holiday).

4. **Disclosure of interests** – receipt of Disclosures of Interest from Cllrs for items on the agenda – none declared.

5. **Approval and signing of minutes from the Planning Committee meeting of 11th April 2016** – resolved that the minutes be signed by the Chair as a true and correct record.

6. **Planning Application S/2275/16/FL, 94 Meldreth Road, Whaddon, SG8 5RP for erection of dwelling following demolition of existing dwelling:**
   6.1 **Comments from the public:** a member of the public (the agent for the applicant) was present and was prepared to answer any questions regarding the application.
   
   6.2 **Consideration of application and agreement of Parish Council (PC) recommendation and comments** – the planning application was discussed and the agent provided clarification where necessary. The Cllrs commented that the proposed building was well positioned on the plot and screened by trees. Concern was expressed about the ability of the access track to deal with construction traffic. One of the direct neighbours had informed a Cllr that he had no objections to the plans but would like the oak tree on the site to be kept. Resolved: that the PC recommend approval of the application and to comment that the suitability of the access track for construction traffic should be assessed.

   6.3 **Agreement of whether the PC wishes to request a referral to SCDC’s Planning Committee** – the PC did not wish to request referral to SCDC’s Planning Committee. Action: the Clerk to inform SCDC of the PCs recommendation.

7. **Items for the next meeting** – none requested.

The meeting closed at 7.48p.m.