

**DRAFT Minutes of the Meeting of Caldecote Parish Council  
on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2009 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall**

**Present:** Cllr Whelan, Cllr John Newby, Cllr Neale Whyatt, Cllr Doreen Francis, Cllr Alan Levett, and Cllr Tom Footman (Cllr Whelan is also County Councillor for the ward).

**In attendance:** Mr. Roger Hume (Clerk). And 3 members of the public were present.

The purpose of the meeting was to consider urgent items and also planning applications that arrived too late for the meeting on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2009, and for which an extension for responses could not be granted.

In the absence of the Chairman, the Vice Chairman Cllr Whelan took the chair.

**534 (A) Apologies for absence and also declaration of interests from members**

Apologies were received from Cllr Lang, Cllr Hawkins and Cllr Breeze.

There were 3 non prejudicial and 2 prejudicial declarations of interest for agenda items.

Agenda item 541.1 Cllr Newby, nearby resident.

S/1363/09/F Cllr Footman and Cllr Levett live in the same road.

S/1363/09/F (Prejudicial) Cllr Whelan and Cllr Francis - Close connection to the applicant

**540 (A) To attend to Planning matters**

**540.1 (A) S1332/09/F Dwelling Plot 7 The Willows**

**Recommend for refusal**, all were agreed.

The site is affected by noise from a nearby factory. The factory (TKA) was successful in its complaint against South Cambs District Council to the Government Ombudsman (in 2007) for allowing the planning application for the original Willows development.

Over development of the recently built site.

Significant loss of open space as indicated in the original sales literature.

Possible problems with drainage access due to ownership of adjoining land.

The report on the tree contradicts the report from the original application, and it is noted that the report is out of date (2007), Trees are known to recover from the indicated possible problems. Roots from this substantial existing tree will be damaged.

Dispute of land ownership, the owner of part of the land has not been served with a notice.

**Conditions to be also recommended should the application succeed.**

**540.2 (A) S/0938/09/F Extensions and alterations 99 Highfields Road**

**No recommendations**, all were agreed.

It was noted that currently the gate to the driveway opens on to the public highway verge

**540.3 (A) S/0744/09/F Church Notice Board – Highfields Road**

As the Parish Council is the applicant it was agreed to make **no recommendation**.

**Cllr Whelan and Cllr Francis left the room for the following item having declared a possible prejudicial interest:-**

**The meeting appointed Cllr Footman to be chairman during the absence of Cllr Whelan.**

**540.4 (A) S/1363/09/F Extension to form annexe and garage 66 Highfields Road**  
**Recommended for approval, all were agreed**  
**Conditions to be also recommended should the application succeed.**

**Cllr Whelan and Cllr Francis returned to the meeting**

**541.1 (A) Taylor Wimpey Handover and maintenance. - Transfer terms.**

Agreement has been reached with Taylor Wimpey for transfer payments for the public open space around the tennis court area. The legal transfer documents have been signed by the chairman and vice chairman and returned.

The next stage is for the transfer of housing areas around Strympole Way.

A query has been received regarding any pockets of land remaining that have not been transferred to others.

On a resolution by Cllr Whelan and Cllr Levett it was agreed that the council do not want to adopt any remaining random pockets of land that the developer have failed to transfer to others and including the ditch and hedge on the road side of the footpath/cycleway that the County Council are expected to adopt..

This confirms views expressed at the site meeting in the summer.

It was noted that a resident has fenced off an area (South East corner of the site) that was expected to be transferred to the Parish Council, it has large established trees).

An expected amended transfer plan had not yet been received from Taylor Wimpey.

**543 (A) Closure of meeting and parish matters**

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Date of next Parish Council meetings

Thursday November 12th 2009 at 7-30 (Please note the date change).

Sport and Recreation working party meetings

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December

It may be necessary to hold a meeting for urgent items and planning if necessary on November 19<sup>th</sup>.

**Signed** \_\_\_\_\_ **Chairman** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_