

**MINUTES OF ASTON, COTE, SHIFFORD & CHIMNEY PARISH COUNCIL
MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 19TH MAY 2015 IN THE
VILLAGE HALL, ASTON AT 7.20 PM**

1. Members **Richard Haines (Chairman)**

Present: **Jane Everex**
 Ben Lings
 John Ordish
 Paul Sparrowhawk
 Jane West
 Phil West

In Attendance: Helen Sandhu – Clerk
 Hilary Fenton, West Oxfordshire District Councillor

Apologies: None

1. PLANNING

Prior approval application

15/01467/PN56 Land at livestock buildings south of Bampton Road, Aston
Change of use of agricultural building to dwelling

The Clerk outlined the legislation governing prior approval applications of agricultural buildings to dwellings.

Having considered the requirements of Part 3 Class MB of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development Order) 1995, it was resolved that the Parish Council would object to this application for the following reasons:

- Some of the work referred to in the application is not within the “permitted building work” list of the GDPO – specifically the digging down of the floor in one area of the structure;
- The current structure, comprising corrugated metal and rough timber, is not suitable for conversion and will require complete demolition, which is contrary to the conditions of the GDPO which refer to “partial demolition” only;
- There is a question on whether the most recent use of the structure was as part of an agricultural holding, as required by the GDPO
- Much of the work referred to in the application does not fall within the GDPO and will require a formal planning application – change of use for the remaining land which would no longer be viable for agricultural use; conversion of the pigsty which will not be used as a dwelling; alterations to the access road and installation of parking.

A copy of the recent photograph of the structure, and reference to similar applications in other planning authority areas which have gone to appeal and been dismissed due to the extent of demolition required will be submitted with the Parish Council response.

PLANNING (continued)

New Planning applications

15/01221/LBC & Shifford Manor, Old Shifford, Wiltney

15/01220/HHD New port and replacement conservatory

No comments.

2. Date of next meetings: Tuesday 19th May 2015, 7.45pm
Annual Parish Meeting

Thursday 4th June 2015, 7.30pm
Monthly Parish Council Meeting

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