

Local Government for Langton Green, Speldhurst, Ashurst and Old Groombridge

MINUTES OF THE CONFIDENTIAL ITEM AT FULL COUNCIL ON MONDAY 1st April 2019 AT 7.30PM IN THE GALLERY ROOM, LANGTON GREEN VILLAGE HALL

MEMBERS PRESENT: Cllrs Barrington-Johnson (Chairman), Mrs Jeffreys, Mrs Podbury, Mrs Lyle, Mrs Price, Mrs Soyke, Mrs Woodliffe, Pate, Rowe, Ellery, Round

OFFICERS PRESENT: Mr C May – Clerk and Mrs K Harman – Assistant Clerk

19/079 TWBC PLANNING DEPARTMENT: The Chairman declared this item on the agenda confidential and not for circulation.

The Chairman asked Councillors to consider what their thoughts were on the suggested development at Ferbies.

- Cllr Rowe said it was important SPC go back to TWBC with suggestions for developer's contribution.
- Cllr Mrs Price said it was also important to make sure the suggestions for the frontage and landscaping are done as SPC requested.
- Cllr Ellery raised the query of local services eg doctors' surgery. Cllr Barrington-Johnson had held a meeting with the surgery – they have plans to renovate a new building in Tunbridge Wells, before they renovate Speldhurst.
- Cllr Mrs Price said it would be ideal to have a united front we need it to be a cooperative group effort.
- Cllr Mrs Jeffreys said that it would be a good idea to point out the developer's contribution to residents.
- Cllr Mrs Podbury said the consultation would be for 8 weeks, not the usual 6, as it is during the summer holidays.

A quick poll suggested:

Object: 3 Neutral – 4 Support – 4

The Chairman said that the developer's contribution would be considered at the next Full Council meeting. It was important that the money goes towards Speldhurst village rather than the whole parish.

Meeting finished at 9.30pm

Chairman