

# Boughton Malherbe Parish Council

## Minutes of a Planning Committee Meeting held by teleconference at 7.30pm on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2020

**Present:** Cllrs R Turner (chair); R Galton; J Collins; N. Eastwood; B. Adams  
**Clerk:** Mr Chris Hume

1. Declaration of anybody filming/recording this meeting. None
2. Apologies for Absence - none
3. Declarations: **(i)** Declarations of Interest in items on the Agenda - none  
**(ii)** Declarations of Lobbying - none
4. Approval of Minutes of the Planning Meeting on 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2020 - approved
5. Planning Applications:

**(i) Public Session** – Two members of the public were in attendance. Written comments were received from Dean Cutbull in advance of the meeting. Dean Cutbill addressed Councillors with regard to application **20/502748/FULL**. Cathie Brown addressed Councillors with regard to application **20/502802/FULL**.

**(ii) APPLICATION REF: 20/502802/FULL PROPOSAL:** Erection of front porch and single storey rear extension. ADDRESS: Sancha Church Road Grafty Green Boughton Malherbe Kent ME17 2BA 6. Further Information  
**The Committee agreed to support this application.**

**(iii) APPLICATION REF: 20/502748/FULL PROPOSAL:** The placement of a further 3 No. mobile homes with associated parking and the installation of 2 new cesspools. ADDRESS: Petsfield Eastwood Road Grafty Green Maidstone Kent ME17 2DQ

**It was agreed that the Parish Council will object to this application.** Draft comments were discussed, the main points being:

1. Current site occupant's noise and light pollution levels are unacceptable to neighbours and further expansion is likely to worsen this problem
2. The land proposed for the development is designated as agricultural land and the application represents an incursion into the countryside
3. The occupants have not complied with lighting and landscaping requirements in existing planning approvals
4. The application will harm the visual appearance and landscape of the locality
5. The local plan has identified sufficient sites for the gypsy and traveler community, the application does not, therefore, meet a need for such sites
6. There is no requirement in the local plan for gypsy and traveler sites in this immediate location
7. The development is not consistent with sustainability requirements
8. The application states that the occupants of the site will be of gypsy and traveler status, but the application does not provide evidence to support this assertion

9. The Parish Council wishes to draw the Borough Council's attention to a covenant on this land which is inconsistent with the current and proposed use of the land
10. The Parish Council asks that the application is considered by the Planning Committee

Cllr Galton will draft a full set of comments to be circulated to Councillors and then submitted by the Clerk.

6. Further Information - none

**The Meeting closed at 8.15pm**