LILFORD CUM WIGSTHORPE THORPE ACHURCH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday 23rd May 2018
in The Upper Room The Fox Inn Thorpe Waterville at 8.00pm

Present: Councillors T Bird (Vice Chair), T Barcham, K Goldsmith, L Saunders

In attendance: Mrs N Phillips (Clerk), District Cllr G Shacklock, 10 x members of public

191.333 To receive and approve apologies for absence

Cllr S Moffat, Cllr T Wright – apologies approved.

191.334 To receive declarations of interest under the Council’s Code of Conduct related to business on the agenda.

None

191.335 Public participation session

Representation was made by 6 members of the public explaining their objections to the planning application 18/00769/FUL. District Cllr Shacklock then explained his role and encouraged residents to submit their objections to ENC. Cllr Shacklock also informed the meeting that it is usual for the ward councillor to be informed of such developments at the pre application stage but on this occasion he had not been informed. Public participation session called to an end at 20.37.

191.336 To consider and resolve the council’s response to planning application 18/00769/FUL – erection of 5 dwellings at land at TL 0233 8283 Church Lane Achurch Northamptonshire.

After listening to and taking into consideration residents’ concerns, some members of LWTAPC considered that there had been an effort made by the applicant to blend in the proposed development with the existing village environment and that the proposed development comprising of a mix of semi-detached and terrace houses did seem to offer more affordable new housing opportunities in the district compared to the usual five bedroom detached executive homes which have dominated the new build local planning applications for the last 20 years.

However, it was resolved to object to the application on the following grounds:

Traffic and parking from both construction vehicles and residents as well as service and delivery trucks causing safety and access issues on a narrow single track lane used by many local walkers as well as those from further away.

Drainage issues in an area with no mains sewage and where the ground is not suitable for soakaways.

The development cannot be described as infill but would be situated in open countryside where there is a presumption against residential development and which if it gets consent would set a precedent for building in open countryside throughout the wider village communities.

The application is not strong enough to meet the criteria of Policy 13 of the North Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy in any way.
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