

**Minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee of  
Messing cum Inworth Parish Council,  
held on 20/10/2015 at 7.15pm at Messing Village Hall**

**Those Present:**

Chair David Smith	Councillor John Dey	Councillor Jon Longman
Councillor Bob Suckling	Parish Clerk Dawn Marriott	Member of Public David Hooker
Member of Public Matthew Bunting	Member of Public Jane Phillips	

**MINUTES**

**P44/15 To receive apologies and record absences**

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs Culley and Marven.

**P45/15 To receive Declarations of Interest**

To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interest, Other Pecuniary Interest or Non Pecuniary Interest relating to items on the agenda.

None required or received.

**P46/15 Adjourn committee meeting for public participation**

In accordance with the adoption of the new code of conduct the members of the public are invited to have your say! The Chairman will ask members of the public to indicate if they wish to speak on any matter appearing on the agenda or any matters not appearing on the agenda.

A question was raised as to the allocation of the affordable housing to local residents. One resident has approached Colchester Borough Homes to register and been told that no preference is given to village residents. This has been taken forward by Borough Cllr Andrew Ellis, Hastoe Homes and RCCE, as the affordable homes being built in Messing DO GIVE priority to local residents or those with immediate family in the parish.

**P47/15 Application 146330**

**Land NE of Messing School, School Road, Messing, CO5 9TH**

Erection of 3 no, two storey dwellings (2 no affordable). Formation of new highways accesses, laying out of school car park and allotments.

Permission granted by CBC. Application under ref 151385 made to CBC to discharge planning conditions. Work underway. One complaint re lorries blocking the road has been received, and a message forwarded to the developers. Any issues arising from ongoing development will be raised at full council meeting. *Closed.*

**P48/15 Application 151141**

**Birch Airfield, Blind Lane, Birch, CO5 9XE**

Extension to Solar Farm approved under planning application 145133. Conditional approval by CBC 2/9/2015. Community Benefit Payment of £1,675 for the year received by the Parish Council, and earmarked for Community Orchard project. Any issues arising from ongoing development will be raised at full council meeting. *Closed.*

- P49/15**     **Application 151392**  
**Messing Village Hall, The Street, Messing, CO5 9TR**  
 To install a heated secure steel cabinet to external wall of Messing Village Hall, to contain a community defibrillator unit.  
 Permission Granted by CBC. Installation completed. *Closed.*
- P50/15**     **Application 151690**  
**Harborough Hall, Harborough Hall Lane, Messing, CO5 9UA**  
 Erection of a ground mounted solar PV system.  
 Conditional approval by CBC 12/10/15. *Closed.*
- P51/15**     **Application 151846**  
**Land at Buntings Nest, Kelvedon Road, Inworth, CO5 9SN**  
 Erection of a new detached House (Access and layout).  
 Application refused by CBC 21/10/2015. *Ongoing.*
- P52/15**     **Application 152040**  
**The Red House, School Road, Messing, CO5 9TH**  
 Change of Use from Class D1 to Class C3 Residential Dwelling.  
 In April 2015 CBC planning Officer Mark Russell responded to a Parish Council email that the Red House would be a non-designated heritage asset, referring to National Planning Policy Framework 135 and Colchester Borough Council Policy DP14 Historic Environment Assets.  
 ACTION Clerk to lodge objection with CBC asap.  
 At its meeting on the 20<sup>th</sup> October 2015, Messing cum Inworth Parish Council voted to object to this application.  
 The parish council objects in principle to the change of use for this site from Class D1 to Class C3 residential.  
 The proposed change of use constitutes development which is against fundamental Local Plan policies in that the site lies outside the village envelope. Granting the consent would constitute a complete change from the current policies and, in our view, would set an unwelcome precedent for other sites on the edge of Messing village, as well as other such settlement in the Borough  
 We would also refer you to NPPF 135 and Colchester Borough Council Policy DP14 Historic Environment Assets.  
*Ongoing.*

Meeting closed 7.45pm.

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