Lea & Cleverton Parish Council

Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 30th October 2018 in Lea Village Hall at 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs Cull, Culling, Suter, Gore, Fuller, Barnes, N Maidment, D Maidment & Crockett

Also present: John Parmiter (RFO), Claire Mann (Clerk) & 20 members of the public

Cllr Cull welcomed everyone to the meeting and notified members of the public that questions could be asked & statements made during item 3 of the agenda. The Parish Council had received numerous comments from Parishioners and Cllr Cull requested that comments received outlined the following considerations; Should the school be expanded (or a new one in Malmesbury), any potential flood risk, views of increased pollution and noise and Parishioner views on traffic management of the proposed development.

169/18 To receive apologies for absence.

None

170/18 To receive declarations of interest.

None

171/18 To receive any public questions.

Residents close to the proposed temporary car park were concerned of the use of the area after the development is completed. Several parishioners queried the large scale development proposed at Backbridge in Malmesbury and asked would it not be preferable to expand the School in that area to accommodate the anticipated rise in required school places. It was highlighted that the stated employee figures at Lea & Garsdon Primary School were inaccurate on the application. It was raised that previous applications had been refused because development would extend the Village Boundary, this application includes an assumption to extend the Village Boundary. The majority of concerns raised were for the management of traffic and highways issues, there is already a significant problem in the village which will only be compounded. Entrance via School Lane is inappropriate as this is a single track highway and residents of School Lane will have great difficulty when leaving for work in the morning, it was also noted that Emergency Vehicles would not have easy access to School Lane should the need arise. Increased vehicle numbers will result in higher air and noise pollution as parents often leave engines running whilst collecting/dropping children off, it was also noted that there are no zig-zag lines included in the application and there is no evidence of an annually signed off Traffic Plan.

172/18 To discuss planning applications received

Reference; 18/08362/FUL

Address; Lea & Garsdon Primary School, SN16 9PG

Following discussion it was agreed that the Parish Council should focus on the contradiction of the application to the Core Strategy of Wiltshire Council, the proposed traffic management is not in favour of sustainable development nor would the application comply with section 243 of the Highway Code.

RESOLVED: To **strongly object** to the application and comments submitted will highlight;

- Traffic safety in The Street & School Lane.
- The requirement of the School to undertake the Traffic Management Plan is an unfair & inefficient use of its valuable resources.
- The threat to the effective functioning of the emergency services.
- Clarification of the future use of the proposed temporary car park
- Increased air & noise pollution

173/18 Reference; 18/07333/FUL

Address; Ashludie House, Crab Mill Lane, Lea, SN16 9NF

RESOLVED: To maintain original objection, the Parish Council could see no amendment to the application.

Meeting closed at 8.55pm