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FRESHWATER PARISH COUNCIL
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**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON 2nd
FEBRUARY 2016 AT 6.45 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER OF THE MEMORIAL HALL**

PRESENT: Councillors: A Bamford (Chair), C Fleury, G Kennett MBE, A Harris, M Wheeler, J Medland, C Bray, D Eccles and B Hinton MBE

Clerk: M J Mills

Members of the public 2

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- 1. APOLOGIES:** Cllrs G Cameron, B Hobbs and S Allen

 - 2. INVITE CLLRS TO DECLARE ANY INTEREST THEY MAY HAVE IN THE MATTERS ON THE AGENDA:**
Cllr Wheeler P/00003/16 Gloucester Cottage – lives nearby
Cllr Eccles as member of Isle of Wight Council Planning Committee

 - 3. INVITE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK ON A PLANNING APPLICATION ON THE AGENDA, AT CHAIRMAN'S DISCRETION:**
None.

 - 4. TO AGREE THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:**
It was **resolved** that the Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 19th January having been circulated and agreed, be approved and signed. (CF/MW).

 - 5. Updates from last meeting and IWC Planning Decisions.**
Approvals
P/01388/15 Farringford House, Bedbury Lane, Freshwater. Variation on condition nos. 2 and 7 on P/01264/13 – TCPL/23763/W to allow amendments to approved potting shed to include re-positioning of building and alterations to roof.
Certificate of Existing Lawful Use or Development
P/01383/15 Toll Bar Cottage, Wilmingham Lane, Freshwater. Lawful Development Certificate for continued use of land as a domestic garden and retention of buildings.

 - 6. Planning applications to be discussed (at time of sending out Notice):**

P/00003/16 Gloucester Cottage, Norton Green, Freshwater: Proposed detached dwelling with parking
Cllr Wheeler said that this was garden development. The proposed dwelling was close to Gloucester Cottage and close to a water course. The street view showed it as exposed which would mean the removal of tree screening from common land maintained by the Parish Council.
Cllr Hinton said that Norton Green was Georgian. The proposed dwelling did not fit in with other properties and looked inappropriate.

Cllr Harris was concerned about the shared drive which he felt would increase parking on the road.

Cllr Kennett felt it was possible to site another house in the gap but these were 2 very different houses.

Cllr Wheeler pointed out that this was a conservation area.

The Chairman said objection letters had been sent in referring to loss of light which was a valid consideration. Also there were concerns about sewage and drainage.

Cllr Fleury was also concerned about the sewage and drainage position.

The Applicant was present. He said that the hedge was dead and covered in ivy. The fence went through the trees. So far as design was concerned this is how the Council had told him to do it. The property was half way down the hill and drainage had been rectified. The drive was 5 metres wide but it was shared. There would be a planting scheme.

A lady spoke in support of the application. She said that she was a previous owner of Gloucester Cottage. Her mother had always wanted to put on another house alongside. At that time the planners were only concerned about access.

Cllr Eccles pointed out that garden land would be viewed as brownfield.

Cllr Wheeler said the street scene was not good.

Resolved by majority vote to object to the application on the basis of layout and density, traffic generation and impact on flooding.

P/00013/16 Odell Cottage, Victoria Road, Freshwater: First floor extension on front elevation to provide bathroom and en-suite; alterations; replacement flat roof to garden room to include lantern

The Committee had no objection.

The meeting closed at 7.12 pm.