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**FRESHWATER PARISH COUNCIL**  
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**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON 16th  
FEBRUARY 2016 AT 6.45 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER OF THE MEMORIAL HALL**

**PRESENT:** Councillors: A Bamford, C Fleury, G Kennett MBE, A Harris, M Wheeler, J Medland, G Cameron, and B Hobbs.

**ABSENT:** B Hinton MBE.

Clerk: M J Mills

Members of the public 1

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1. **APOLOGIES:** Cllr C Bray, S Allen and D Eccles.
2. **INVITE CLLRS TO DECLARE ANY INTEREST THEY MAY HAVE IN THE MATTERS ON THE AGENDA:**  
Cllr Bamford re P/00109/16 Meadows, Colwell Road, Freshwater – knows owner of neighbouring property.
3. **INVITE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK ON A PLANNING APPLICATION ON THE AGENDA, AT CHAIRMAN'S DISCRETION:**  
To be dealt with on discussion of application.
4. **TO AGREE THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:**  
It was **resolved** that the Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 2nd February having been circulated and agreed, be approved and signed.
5. **Updates from last meeting and IWC Planning Decisions.**  
**Approvals**  
**P/01220/15 Mountfield, Norton Green, Freshwater.** Variation on condition no. on P/00687/12-TCP/14864/D to allow increase in finished floor levels and ridgeline; construction of conservatory on rear elevation; alterations to design.  
**P/01493/15 Plots 15 to 20, Stroud Coppice, Hooke Hill, Freshwater.** Six detached houses with integral garages and parking.
6. **Planning applications to be discussed (at time of sending out Notice):**  
**P/00109/16 Meadows, Colwell Road, Freshwater:** Outline for 20 dwellings; formation of vehicular access.

A member of the public was present. She lived in a property adjoining the site and felt upset that she had found out about the application only by accident. She said that trees would be affected and ownership of the trees was unclear. The land was very boggy.

Cllr Wheeler said he was concerned about drainage. There was a drainage report but the land did not drain well and he thought that some properties such as Waters Reach might be affected. The report did not seem to promise anything.

Cllr Bamford said that the location of the electricity pylons interfered with the access. There was not a good view both ways.

Cllr Medland wondered if properties nearer the sea might be affected.

Cllr Harris thought there were too many properties for the site. Cllr Hobbs said that the density was higher than Colwell Road.

Cllr Wheeler was sceptical about the claim that the development could not be seen from the road.

Cllr Wheeler thought this type of development was not needed in Freshwater. Cllr Bamford agreed.

The member of the public pointed out that the existing workshops were low single storey. She would be overlooked by the proposed development and there would be a loss of privacy.

It was resolved to object to the application on the following grounds:

Drainage.

Density. A reduction in density would assist in not setting a precedent for ribbon development.

Need. It was not accepted that there is a need for properties of this type in this location.

Loss of privacy. There were concerns about loss of privacy for the member of the public present at the meeting.

Trees. It was noted that there was no separate tree report and a tree report was required.

Access to the main road.

The increased pressure on services that would result from the proposed development had not been addressed.

The Committee felt that it should be mentioned that the owner of the nearest property to the development had received no notification of the application. The usual orange planning notice was not displayed on site.

**P/01500/15 8 Chine Close, Freshwater:** Proposed loft conversion to include dormer window, velux roof light, 2 gable windows (revised description) (corrected plans) (re-advertised).

The Committee had no objection.

**P/00069/16 Farringford Lodge, Bedbury Lane, Freshwater:** Retention and completion of single storey extensions on rear and side elevations to provide sun room, w.c and utility.

The Committee were pleased to note that the Applicants had addressed issues and the Committee had no objection.

**P/000070/16 16 Farringford Lodge, Bedbury Lane, Freshwater:** LBC for retention and completion of single storey extensions on rear and side elevations to provide sun room, w.c and utility.

As per P/00069/16.

**P/00073/16 1 Linstone Drive, Norton:** Demolition of garage; alterations; single storey extension on front elevation to enlarge bathroom; single storey extensions on south west and north east elevations to form additional living accommodation.).

The Committee had no objection.

The meeting closed at 7.35 pm.