BRAMFORD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES FROM THE MEETING HELD IN THE LORAINE PARISH ROOM BRAMFORD, ON MONDAY 7TH MARCH 2016

PRESENT: C Bush, B Earthy, J Gardiner, W Holton, J Hooker, G Key, P Kingham, Mrs C Mobbs.

1,3 APOLOGIES Mrs M Brand, J Dodds

2.3 Declarations of interest appropriate to any item on the agenda

None received

3.3 PLANNING

a. 0331/16 – Land adj. Norfolk Cottages, Ship lane, Bramford – application for outline planning permission for the erection of two pairs of semi-detached, two storey dwelling houses with associated parking area and alterations to existing vehicular access.

Councillors expressed concerns over information provided by the agent regarding nearby flood-plains not being an issue regarding the building of the proposed houses, when information on the Environment Agency website indicates they would be impactive.

Councillors were also concerned about road safety as a result of the proposed houses fronting right up to Ship Lane, this being the main route into Ipswich for residents and the local bus service. It was considered that any vehicles parked outside the houses would force passing traffic into the path of oncoming vehicles exiting the near-by blind bend and suggested consideration for a lay-by to prevent this. Councillors noted that the provision of a lay-by would force the development back onto the flood-plain area and are concerned road safety is being compromised to ensure an opportunity to build on the land.

Councillors identified a sewer pipe, servicing Claydon, running across the proposed site that has previously suffered a 'collapse' and councillors agreed that suitable assurances be given to prevent any future problems, including who is ultimately responsible for potential repairs if land developed as proposed.

7.50pm Meeting closed

Chairman