

## **BERWICK PARISH COUNCIL**

### **DRAFT MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING OF**

20<sup>th</sup> August 2015

Held at Berwick Village Hall

#### 1 Present

Cllrs B Smith (Chairman), K Winter, V Burrough and C Bird.

A Stevens (Locum Clerk) was also present.

#### 2 Apologies for Absence

No apologies for absence were received.

#### 3 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

This was the first Planning Committee Meeting and there were therefore no previous minutes.

#### 4 Disclosures of Interests

No disclosures of interests were declared on this occasion.

#### 5 Planning Applications

WD2015/1570F – 13 Downsway, Station Road – Demolish garage and build a two storey pitched roof side extension – Councillors support this application because it will blend in with the neighbouring properties.

WD2015/1443MRM – Station Farm, Station Road – Reserved matters relating to WD2014/0981MAO – Demolition of existing buildings on site and the creation of a new residential development of 11 No. units together with a doctor's surgery and shop space - It was noted that New House has an access driveway to the rear of the property. Berwick Parish Council therefore objects to this application on the following grounds;

- 1: There will be three accesses in total onto an already busy road. Councillors agree this will be dangerous.
- 2: The mix of housing does not work for this village. Councillors agree the village needs less four and five bedroom houses and more two and three bedroom houses for young families and the elderly. Councillors would ideally like bungalows for the elderly.
- 3: Councillors do not feel that another shop and a doctor's surgery are needed in the village. Members do not feel either would be viable. There is already a shop in the village which is struggling.

#### 6 Questions from Members

There being no questions from members on any planning matters.

