

## BRANDESTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minute of a Meeting of Brandeston Parish Council held on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2018 at 9.30am at Chestnut Tree Farm, Friday Street, Brandeston.

**Present:** *Councillors Elson, Churchill, Duffy, Kirton, Mitson-Woods and Norman. Mary Mitson-Woods, Clerk.*

**7-1718/1 The Chairman welcomed Councillors to the meeting.**

**7-1718/2 Councillor Norman declared his interest** as a joint owner of the barn at Chestnut Tree Farm. He was asked to explain the project and to answer questions from Councillors, he explained which parts of the existing building are to be preserved and which of the later additions are to be removed. He also described the materials to be used, outlined the area of the proposed curtilage and pointed out the unusual, historic features of the building. After answering Councillors questions, he left the meeting and the site.

**7-1718/3 Councillor Buckingham sent her apologies for absence** following a recent operation.

**7-1718/4 The Minute of the Meeting of the Council held on 9<sup>th</sup> January 2018** was signed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

**7-1718/5 Planning Application DC/PREAPP/15/4397.** Councillors considered an application from Mr and Mrs Norman for the conversion of a barn at Chestnut Tree Farm to a dwelling house. Councillors discussed the plans and reports that accompanied the application in depth. The deliberations included:

- The barn was in reasonable condition but without extensive repairs in the future it would be lost
- The building has no purpose in modern farming
- Where corrugated iron existed, it would be replaced with a modern material which would look very similar, the main roof would be repaired with pantiles to match the original.
- A footpath runs past the north side of the barn but would not be affected by the change of use.
- Clearing the additional parts such as the pole barn and outhouses, which are in very poor repair, will reveal the shape and beauty of the original barn.

**It was resolved that, taking these factors into consideration. Councillors should recommend to SCDC Planning Office that consent be given to the change of use.**

**7/1718/6 Date of next meeting:** Tuesday 13th March 2018 at 7.30pm in the Committee Room of the Village Hall.