COLDWALTHAM PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING MEETING HELD on MONDAY 26TH NOVEMBER 2018 at 7.30PM AT FIELD HOUSE, BROCKHURST FARM, WATERSFIELD

Those Present: Cllr T Burr Vice Chairman

Cllr S Hewer
Cllr O Dudman

Cllr J Evans attending as a member of

the public

P 18 / 20.00 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - to receive comments made by members of the public.

Cllr Evans spoke as next-door neighbour of the applicant. He drew attention in particular to congested car parking in Maple Leaf, and said that the applicant had two cars, like other residents, and also a van. Enlargement of the property could bring additional occupants, possibly with a further vehicle. Extension to the front of the property would reduce off-street parking space, and could displace larger vehicles into the street, while possibly obstructing access to neighbouring driveways. The pitched roof for the extension was a positive feature, though it did include roof lights which would need shading for compatibility with an unlit street and to comply with the Planning Authority's dark sky policy.

Cllr Evans then left the meeting.

P 18 / 21.00 TO RECEIVE AND ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies received from Cllrs Hewitt and Lane

P 18 / 22.00 TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATION OF DISCLOSABLE INTERESTS

There were none.

P 18 / 23.00 PLANNING

P 18 / 23.01 SDNP/18/05690/HOUS 6 MAPLELEAF, COLDWALTHAM

Erection of a side and front extension to replace existing garage and conservatory.

Councillor Burr presented these plans to the meeting. Councillors noted that the dwelling in question already occupied a high proportion of its overall site by the standards of a rural parish. The proposed extension would take up much of the remaining space, verging on over-development. This situation, and the need to avoid undue loss of off-street parking, should be drawn to the Planning Authority's attention. Roof lights were becoming a common feature of proposed extensions, and the Council should continue raising the issue of their cumulative implications for dark skies.

RESOLVED: To draw the Planning Authority's attention to the issues identified in discussion.