Badgers Mount Planning Committee Minutes for 1st February 2018

BADGERS MOUNT PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES of a MEETING of BADGERS MOUNT PLANNING COMMITTEE

at Badgers Mount Memorial Hall on 1st February 2018 from 7:30pm

Present: Cllr R Blamey

Cllr G Plumb (Chair) Cllr T McCartney Cllr J Grint Cllr A Dunlop

Also, Present: 1 member of the public

Acting Minutes Clerk: Sarah Moon

1. No apologies were received.

2. The minutes of the previous meeting held on 4th January 2018, were signed.

3. Disclosure of interest

None, however, District Councillor Grint stated that, if required to be called upon to give an opinion in his role of District Councillor, he would do so independently of the Parish Council.

- 4. Planning Applications
- a) Planning application SE/18/00201/DETAIL Details pursuant to condition 5 (Construction Management Plan) of 16/01072/FUL – Elite Motors, Orpington Bypass Road, Badgers Mount, Kent TN14 7AP.
 Comments due by 13th February 2018.

RESOLVED that Sevenoaks District Council be informed that Badgers Mount Parish Council objects to this development on the basis that cabins located in this location would affect the sight-line of the highway.

5. District Councillors Report

Broke Hill Golf Course: Firstly the District Councillor J Grint met with Mr Quinn, owner of Quinn Estates, who have purchased the golf course. Quinn Estates are aware that the land is within the Green Belt and that under current planning laws there is no possibility for gaining planning permission for any development on the site. However, Mr Quinn is putting the matter to SDC knowing that SDC are falling well short of the number of homes that central government require them to build. Mr Quinn is therefore hoping that SDC will agree to development on the basis that it will assist SDC to increase the number of homes that they are building. SDC are currently stating that they will not grant planning permission but are clear that Mr Quinn has submitted or will submit this site in the Call for Sites. SDC therefore appear to be in a bit of a dilemma as the are falling short of the number of homes they are required to build.

Mr Quinn appears to be in no hurry to build. The site has been acquired at a very low price and points to other very successful development he has built elsewhere in Kent. He is hoping to gain support from the local community to understand what they would like to see on the site.

There was also a well attended public meeting at Halstead where parish councillors were careful to remain neutral, as was the District Councillor.

The personal view of the District Councillor is that residents should put together a coherent response, stating they complete opposition to any development on the site.

The Planning Committee agreed that should Halstead Parish Council form a working party, then Badger Mount Parish Council should join this and support any letters that may be written in objection.

6. Correspondence and Information

The extension at 12 Johnson's Avenue has been approved.

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Date of next meeting Thursday 15th February 2018, at 7:30pm at Badgers Mount Memorial Hall (if required)
Sarah Moon Acting Clerk to Badgers Mount Parish Council
Chairman Signature:

Dated: 15th February 2018