

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE OF HADDENHAM PARISH COUNCIL
held on Thursday 16th October 2014 at Haddenham Library, Station Road, Haddenham, Cambs.**

Attendance: Cllrs Cheetham, Goddard, Haigh, Hugo and Page

Cllr Page proposed and Cllr Cheetham seconded that in the absence of Cllr Lyon, Cllr Hugo should be appointed to act as Chairman for the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

1. **MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING** having been circulated to all members were taken as read. Cllr Page proposed and Cllr Cheetham seconded that the minutes should be signed as a true record of the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.
2. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** were received from Cllr Lyon – personal commitments, Cllrs G & P Wilson – District Council commitments and Cllr Tindall – work commitments.
3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were none.

4. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There were no members of the public in attendance.

5. **PLANNING**

14/01002/FUL 38 Duck Lane, Haddenham: Proposed garage conversion with 1st floor bedroom extension over. Cllr Page proposed and Cllr Cheetham seconded that there were concerns regarding the loss of a parking space, i.e. the garage, given that another family will be living there as well. Motion carried unanimously.

14/01007/ESF Red Hill Farm, Cambridge Road, Stretham: Erection of 2 wind turbines, hub height of 75 metres with height to blade tip of 102 metres, concrete pads for crane use and small sub station. Cllr Cheetham proposed and Cllr Haigh seconded that the Committee should recommend outright refusal for the same reasons as previously submitted:

The Parish Council is in favour of renewable energy but having been consulted as a neighbouring parish has serious concerns regarding this application and would recommend **outright refusal** for the following reasons:

- The impact on the key views of a valuable landscape and the historical Ely Cathedral, which would contravene Policy EN4 and the impact on the landscape and settlement character in Policy EN1. This also goes against the findings of the Inspector and Minister who presided over the Mereham application in recent years.
- Serious concerns regarding noise impact on residents, in that it would carry into the village.
- The potentially devastating impact on wildlife, i.e. flora, fauna, birds, bats and other animals.
- Concerns that this could allow for expansion to more turbines in the future.
- There is no provision for a bond/funding to be provided at the start of this development to cover demolition and removal of the turbines and associated works, e.g. concrete pads underground, once they have come to the end of their life in 25 years time.

Motion carried unanimously.

14/01027/OUT 42 Lode Way, Haddenham: New dwelling. Cllr Page proposed and Cllr Cheetham seconded that there were no objections. Motion carried unanimously.

14/01034/FUL 65 Bell Gardens, Haddenham: Single storey rear extension. Cllr Haigh proposed and Cllr Goddard seconded that there were no objections. Motion carried unanimously.