Minutes of a meeting of the Planning Committee of Aldington and Bonnington Parish Council held on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2023 at 7:00pm in Aldington Village Hall, Roman Road, Aldington.

Present: Councillors; S Wagstaff (Chairman), L Guy and H Stebbings

In attendance: Peter Setterfield PSLCC, Parish Clerk

Also present: Cllr J Weatherall

169. Apologies for absence:

Councillor P Hannabuss

170. Declarations of interest:

There were no declarations of interest.

171. Planning application PA/2023/1768 Led by the Wild, White's Wood Farm, Giggers Green Road, Aldington – Proposed creation of a 200m2 pond, specifically designed to be suitable for great crested newt, and other native wildlife.

Resolved: The Parish Council supports the proposals

172. Planning application OTH/2023/1915 Land to the West of Sellindge Substation, Sellindge - Details submitted pursuant to condition 8 (Construction Environment Management Plan) of planning permission PS/2022/2950

Resolved: The Parish Council supports the representations made by the Church Lane residents in response to the Construction Environmental Management Plan.

The Parish Council wish to submit the following observations on the plan:

Paragraph 3.2 quotes that a new site access/egress is proposed from Church Lane as the existing private road from the northern side will only be used by third parties. By implication, therefore, there is no access or parking for contractors on site until the haul road has been constructed. Paragraph 3.4 confirms that the temporary haul road will be formed to provide access to the temporary site car parking.

Given the above what arrangements have/will be made for the parking of contractor's vehicles and materials deliveries during the construction of the haul road as Church Lane is not wide enough to accommodate parked vehicles?

Whilst it is anticipated that the contractor's parking area will be sufficient to accommodate 30 vehicles is there a contingency plan in place if this number is exceeded?

Church Lane is subject to regular flooding as the existing drainage ditches cannot cope with the volume of run off from the surrounding land. Construction of the haul road in January/February, according to the schedule will inevitably result in extra soil being dragged on to the road from the construction of the haul road prior to the installation of the wheel wash

system. What provision has/will be made to prevent soil being deposited on the road or in the drainage ditches.

Paragraph 9.14 refers to no vehicles being held on the public highway with engines running, given the width of the road it should be stipulated that no vehicles will be held at any time on the public highway for safety.

The swept path analysis appears to indicate that the haul road is single file in the vicinity of the wheel wash facility, if this be the case what provision has been made for vehicles to pass each other without the requirement to reverse on to the highway? Are provisions in place to restrict the number of construction vehicles arriving on site to ensure that sufficient room is available for off loading and turning

Paragraph 9.15 makes reference to the requirements if work is required outside of the published working hours the local authority will be notified, can this be extended to include the residents of Church Lane as they will be the most impacted.

**173. Planning application PA/2023/1946 8 Kiln Road, Aldington –** Removal of external concrete panel walls and replace with traditional face brickwork to existing property. Single storey rear extension and relocation of a new secure store, extension of side porch.

Resolved: The Parish Council supports the proposals.

174. Planning application PA/2023/1982 Questeds Cottage, Annexe, Frith Road, Aldington – Retention of Quested Barn as a dwelling with associated parking area, access from Frith Road, and landscaping.

Resolved: The Parish Council were unable to make a decision on the proposals as some information has not been provided with the application, namely proposed elevations (referred to in the planning statement) and climate change mitigation report.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7:20pm