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Meeting Minutes

Date: 4th February 2026

Time: 19:00

Venue: Cross Park Pavilion

Present

- Cllr Chris Draper, Chair
- Cllr Yvonne Forrest, Vice-Chair
- Cllr Mrs Karen Draper
- Cllr Sue Morrice
- Cllr Kim Wood
- Cllr Trevor Bowley
- Clerk Chris Fribbins
- Medway Cllr Spalding
- 45 Members of public

330/1 Apologies for Absence

- Cllr Juan Van Niekerk (delayed work), Cllr Jean Sheaves
- Proposed Cllr Mrs Draper, Seconded Cllr Wood that the apologies be accepted – All Agreed

331/2 Declarations of Interest and notification of recording

- Cllr Wood (Cross Park Association), Cllr Morrice (audio recording)

332/3 Planning Matters

a) Plans

MC/25/2515 Town and Country Planning Act (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 (as amended) request for an EIA screening opinion for the development of 350 dwellings Land At Stokes Road Allhallows Rochester Medway ME3 9PE

Matter for Medway Planning. Environmental Impact Assessment information supplied with application so it is for Medway Council to agree that an EIA is required for any missing information (normally EAI not required)

MC/26/0001 Outline application with some matters reserved (appearance, landscaping, layout and scale) for the construction of up to 350 dwellings (up to 320 dwellings East of Stoke Road

and up to 30 West of Stoke Road) (Class C3) together with burial ground or memorial garden (Sui Generis), children's day nursery and mobility hub (Class E (f)), open space, allotments and dedicated play space and service infrastructure with associated works

Medway Cllr Spalding outlined his view of the application and there appeared to be a number of concerns with the application. He suggested a Road Safety Audit should be commissioned by the Parish Council. The planning submission is very likely to be considered by the Planning Committee in May/June.

(JvN arrived 20:00)

The Clerk added additional information and with experience of a large application in Cliffe Woods that went to a Planning Appeal after a unanimous vote of the committee to refuse, the planning appeal was granted and the development was allowed. The primary decisions of the Planning Inspector who allowed the appeal was that there was no up to date Medway Local Plan (2003) and that the Medway Council Planning Officers had recommended approval. This means that waiting for the Committee meeting, although important to see any refusal supported by the councillors, the important issue is to get objections into Medway Planning before the officer's report was submitted (c. two weeks before the committee)- planning.representations@medway.gov.uk or post to Medway Council, Gun Wharf, Dock Road, Chatham (issues with the online planning portal had been reported to Medway Council (Planning) by residents and parish councillors).

Residents expressed their views that the application should be refused and raising issues regarding Transport (Local Road Traffic and A228 to Four Elms Roundabout, poor public transport), Community Facilities (Doctors, Schools, poor water supply and sewage, poor electricity supply with frequent power cuts), Environment (A green field, flooding, flora and fauna).

The Parish Council will meet at Cross Park 11th February, to confirm their decision and response to the application.

The Chair thanked everybody for their attendance and input.

Meeting Closed : 21:00

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Chair: _____ Date: _____