

MINUTES

For: Steppingley Parish Council
 Held on: Monday, 17 August 2020

PRESENT

Pauline Henninger
 Hugh Jackson (Chair)
 Melissa Jordan
 Marcus Webb
 Chris Wood
 Lionel Yarde
 Julie Todd (Clerk)

IN ATTENDANCE

Cllr Neil Bunyan - CBC
 Cllr Charles Gomm - CBC
 Cllr Gareth Mackey - CBC
 Les Jephson
 Andrew McIlhatton
 Salik Miah

APOLOGIES

None

This meeting was held over the internet using Zoom due to COVID-19		
Agenda Item	APOLOGIES	ACTION
1.	None	
2.	MEMBERS' INTERESTS None	
3.	<p>PLANNING - CB/20/02325/FULL Location: The Drovers</p> <p><u>Saffon Plaza Ltd</u> – Salik Miah confirmed that he is the applicant named as S. Miah. Sarouk Miah is sole director and shareholder in the company, Saffron Plaza Ltd. Sarouk is Salik’s business partner however Salik is not a director nor shareholder. Saffron Plaza Ltd is a trading company.</p> <p><u>Noise</u> – the principal objection from the village is the noise generated by the events held in the marquee and the extra traffic.</p> <p>Les Jephson gave a presentation, key points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Engaged with CBC Environmental Health from the outset. Subject to various controls, including using particular sound system, they support the application. Demonstration of sound system given to CBC Environmental Health on 22 June. No invitation was extended to the PC. The meeting invited Mr Miah to arrange a second demo for the PC and village but this was not offered. Runs off an 13 amp socket and uses highly directional speakers which are hung above the dance floor. It was noted that the demo was on grass and not on a hard surface. Noise levels reduce when away from the dance floor. Bass will be on dance floor only – dancers’ heads will be approximately 1m from speakers. Sound limiters are computer controlled and it 	

	<p>is password protected. For speeches there would be small speakers in the corners. The demo lasted 2 hours and the music was reportedly not audible at Church End and barely at the adjacent properties. SM felt there was more noise emanating from The French Horn on Fridays and Saturday.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bands/concerts – SM reiterated he does not want to upset anyone and it was not in his interest to create noise. There would be no bands or big concerts. • No overflow car park – Overflow car park stated in Mr Jephson’s report is a mistake (a statement with which Mr Miah concurred). Recognised that if there was an overflow car park there would be a noise issue so aim is for the clientele to arrive by minibus/coach and therefore no extra parking needed. The buses will turn round at the top of the site and wait by the conservatory. AM raised the issue re noise from buses’ engines idling, reversing siren. . • Marquee – only opening would face towards The Drovers. Small terrace area at the front. There would be an acoustic lining throughout. The marquee currently being used at The Drovers is an example and the PC were welcome to visit. Capacity is approximately 200 seated and events would not be held regularly. It was pointed out that the website stated 500 – this was incorrect. • Boundary fence proposed in application would afford additional screening. • No trees/bushes would be removed or cut – confirmed by both LJ and SM • CBC have requested a noise management plan – operating hours, monitoring of first event, control of customers leaving, encourage organisers of events to use buses. • SM confirmed Saffron Plaza will be responsible for supervising the events and would hold the music and liquor licences. • Catering – main cooking would take place in The Drovers kitchen. A catering marquee would be attached to the main marquee and would have sound lining. <p>Hugh Jackson thanked everyone for attending this meeting.</p>	
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4.	DATE OF NEXT MEETING Thursday, 24 September 2020	
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The above are considered a true and accurate account of the meeting.

Signed
Hugh Jackson (Chairman)

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