

## THORPE MALSOR PARISH COUNCIL

### **MINUTES of the Thorpe Malsor Parish Council Special Meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> August 2018 at 6.30pm in the Village Hall.**

Present: Cllr Mrs F Pope (Chairman), Cllr Mr R Walton, Cllr Mrs H Sharp, Cllr Mr E Stevenson

Clerk: Mrs Anne-Marie Walton-Miller

This meeting was called to discuss a planning application received by the Parish Council after the deadline for the Agenda for the previous meeting had passed, with the comments deadline date being before the next Parish Council meeting.

#### **1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Cllr Mrs Powell submitted apologies which were accepted.

#### **2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

None made.

#### **3. PLANNING APPLICATION**

**KET/2018/0556.** Mr Roberts, 8 Church Way, Thorpe Malsor. Full application for a garage conversion to guest accommodation.

The Committee scrutinised the planning application and raised the following concerns:

- Loss of permanent parking at the property;
- Highway Safety: -permanent loss of parking amenity will lead to cars parking in the road in an area that already suffers from congestion and is on the main road into the village on a tight bend;
- No turning room outside the property will result in vehicles having to reverse out of the property onto a blind corner thereby posing concerns about highway safety and a safety risk to members of the public using the footpath.
- Owing to the fact that 8 Church Way is a four bedroomed property, Cllrs questioned the integrity of "guest" accommodation and "personal visitors".
- The application states "the existing double garage currently has accommodation to the first floor" however this was queried by Cllrs who are aware that this space was used as an office by previous residents.
- Thorpe Malsor is a designated conservation area. If this application for change of use was granted this may set a precedent in relation to the development of stand-alone garages which would not be in keeping with the character of the village.

The Committee was unanimous in its decision to register these objections to this application.

Signed.....

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