## **Planning Policy Gedney Parish Council**

## Policy for Dealing with Planning Applications at and between Parish Council Meetings

The Parish Council notes that the best method by which a Parish Council comments on Planning Applications is by discussion at a scheduled or extraordinary Parish Council meeting, to which, members of the public have been invited by public notice. A meeting will always be called to comment on potentially contentious planning applications or an extension on the reply date will be sought.

All Planning applications received by the Clerk will be sent to all Councillors for them to view via the link to SHDC web pages.

It is the individual Councillors responsibility and duty to view all applications prior to the next Parish Council meeting for discussion and decision.

The Clerk will put details of all applications in the Planning book (a record kept on computer) and will only print hard copy for large development or contentious applications. (All applications can be viewed on the SHDC web site)

Gedney Parish Council has an elected Planning Officer who along with the Clerk, will be the councils point of contact with SHDC Planning, any information a Councillor would like clarified or enlarged upon must be directed via the Planning Officer or the Clerk. The Planning Officer will represent the Parish Council at any SHDC Planning Committee meetings or Appeals.

The responsibility for commenting on non-contentious planning applications which, due to time restrictions, cannot wait for the next Parish Council meeting, has been delegated to the Clerk [in liaison with the Planning Officer] and in line with the following:

- Application circulated to all Councillors requesting their support or objection (if objection valid material planning comments must be included).
- The Clerk will formulate a comment from all Councillors replies.

Policy adopted at Full Council meeting on 8<sup>th</sup> September 2020.