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13th June 2021 Notice of an Extraordinary Meeting of the Parish Council, Appledore Village Hall

You are hereby given notice that a Meeting of the Parish Council will be held on 13thth June 2022, commencing 19:30hr, Appledore Village Hall

All members of the Council are hereby summoned to attend for the purpose of considering and resolving upon the business to be transacted at the meeting as set out hereunder

Mary Philo Clerk to Appledore Parish Council

Dated 8th June 2022

Agenda

1. Formalities

- I) Establish Quorum (LGA Act 1972 sch12, 12/28/45)
- II) Apologies and Reasons for Absence (LGA Act 1972 sch12, 12)
- III) Declarations of Interest: (Code of Conduct)
 - a) Members of the council should declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interest, (DPI), or any other significant interests, (OSI), in any item(s) on this agenda, in accordance with the council's Code of Conduct.
 - b) Requests for dispensations

At this point the meeting will be adjourned for the public session.

Public Session

This session will last for 15 minutes. Members of the public will have 3 minutes to ask one question or make a statement on an item on the agenda except for the minutes. Should you wish to address other issues please contact the clerk or chairman at a later date. The public are welcome to stay and observe the rest of the meeting but are reminded that they cannot take part.

The meeting to reconvene.

2. Planning

2.1 Planning applications to consider:

22/00133/TC 4 Maple Court - T1 Oak Tree. Removal due to excessive shading to rear garden and house. Tree in close proximity to property. Replant with two new native saplings (Oak & Ash). **To agree a response and to also consider requesting a Tree Protection Order to be placed on the tree.**

Suggested reasons to request an order are as follows:

The tree is an English Oak (*Quercus Robur*) of nearly 35 feet and substantial trunk girth with

good shape. It is the largest and most mature of the small spread-out group of trees there. It has recently been surveyed as being healthy and in very good condition.

It forms part of a group of trees that provide some screening between 4 Maple Court and Court Lodge Hall

Its removal will make a significant difference to the feeling and appearance of Maple Court itself. The cluster of trees along with the ancient mound softens the new builds and helps to break up the houses into two parts.

The tree and the group behind are prominent in the landscape from further away. It is visible from the public car park and helps to maintain the countryside feel of the area which is a conservation area.

An oak tree of this size is excellent habitat. Its loss will take decades to replace while sapling trees grow. With building complete on the site, owls will return to the trees at Maple Court. The houses have just been built and so the occupiers must have been aware of the tree in relation to the property before buying.

In order to prevent any further reduction in trees on the site we request that the group of trees including this oak is protected under a tree protection order. We feel that there is some urgency as the trees are on land belonging to the developer who has prior history of removing trees and reducing oak trees without permission on this development site and the surrounding land which they also own.

3. Membership of Kent Association of Local Councils

To agree to renew membership of Kent Association of Local Councils. £386.88 (vat £ 64.48)

4. Information for Councillors

5. Date of Next Meeting

Monday 4th July 2022, 7.30pm, Appledore Village Hall