

**Minutes of the Heydon Parish Council Meeting on 29 November 2016
at The End Cottage, 75 Fowlmere Road, Heydon**

Chairman: Diana MacFadyen
Parish Councillors: Carroll, Janson Jones, Shaw, Smith
Clerk: Yvonne Harris

Actual Start: 18:40

1. Apologies

Received from Cllr Barrett.

2. To receive any declaration of Pecuniary and non-Pecuniary Interests of Councillors

None declared.

3. Planning

S/2906/16/FL

Oil tank installed (retrospective) and associate work for boundary fence
68 Fowlmere Road, Heydon, SG8 8PU

The Council agreed unanimously to object to the application on the following grounds:

The plan is inaccurate and misleading: The oil tank is shown in line with the garage on the plan but it is actually situated further back, closer to the boundary. Although mentioned briefly on the application form that the new tank has been re-sited, we would expect the previous site to have been indicated on the plan.

Safety: The new tank is near to the window of the neighbouring cottage, No. 70, and we would require confirmation that it is a safe distance away, bearing in mind that it is closer than is shown in the application.

Design, layout and appearance: The oil tank is very visible from the neighbours' only window on that side of their house, obscuring their view. Erecting a fence would lead to further loss of light. This may be the reason why there hasn't been a fence there since No. 68 was newly built. We would question whether it is even possible to erect a fence as the concrete base and tank have been built very close to the boundary.

Conservation Area: The Council is concerned that by re-siting the tank in the front garden the street scene will be compromised. In its previous location, in the back garden on the opposite side of the house, it could only be viewed by the owners themselves.

Planning Condition: We note Condition 4. of the original planning approval (S/1973/93/RM): 'the permanent space to be reserved on site for turning and

parking shall be provided before the use commences and thereafter maintained (Reason - In the interests of highway safety)'. We question whether the oil tank is impinging on the turning space.

4. To Accept Notices and Matters For The Next Agenda

None.

5. Date and Venue for Next Meeting

No further planning meetings arranged.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 19.13.
Our thanks to Diana MacFadyen for her hospitality.