**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF**

**ELLESBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL**

**HELD ONLINE ON MONDAY 9th NOVEMBER 2020 AT 7PM**

Present: Councillors:

 R Alexander (Chairman) D Panikkar

 A White D Hares

 M McGrail

 Parish Clerk: Not present

**Item 6.1 Apologies.** Apologies were received from Councillor Hayes who does not have access to the internet. Apologies from Matt Glover.

**Item 6.2** **Open forum.** No members of the public wished to join the meeting so nothing was discussed under this item.

**Item 6.3 Declarations of Interest.** There were no Declarations of Personal or Prejudicial interest from the Councillors who had joined the meeting for items on the agenda.

**Item 6.4 Planning.** The meeting was called to discuss the current planning applications for 86 Chalkshire Road. Because of significant local interest the EPC felt that they should officially comment on the proposals. The deadline at WDC for responses was extended to allow for EPC comments.

We discussed our previous response to the original planning request made in January 2020. At the time we objected to the development based on

* density (2 X 3 bedroom houses)
* proximity to Chalkshire Road
* building heights
* infill of Green Belt

With the current applications those points have been addressed, the buildings to be demolished have been reclassified as commercial buildings and hence this is brown field development. The building line is set further back from Chalkshire Road. The density is reduced in both applications (1 X 3 bedroom house and 1 x 2 bedroom house)

There is more local support for this new scheme from immediate neighbours.

After considering both new schemes the EPC voted to unanimously support the 2 unit scheme facing the field and not the road.

As the vote was unanimous we didn’t not vote on the 2 unit scheme facing the road.

**Item 6.5 Next Meeting.** The next Parish Council Meeting will be on Monday 16 November 2020 at 7.30pm and will be held online.

The meeting closed at 19:30 hrs.

Signed

Councillor Debra Panikkar

Chairman

Ellesborough Parish Council