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Minutes

Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held at 10 am Thursday 8th December 2022 at Badgworth Schoolrooms, Badgworth, Somerset.

Present

Cllrs Vining (Chairman), Beynon and White. The Parish Clerk was also in attendance.
2 members of the public were present.

Public participation: The applicant reviewed the history of the application and the anticipated energy efficiency and money savings, that the site is non residential and in curtilage of the listed building. The Conservation officers visit, elimination of other areas for panels, the view from the PROW, weight loading, bat survey, and the storage battery, grant providers, green energy, the likely response of the conservation officer.

055/22P Apologies for absence: None

056/22P Declarations of Interest: None

057/22P Dispensations: None

058/22P The following Applications were discussed together and the decision was made for both applications , and the comments were as follows:

Application No: 03/22/00013
Application Type: Full Planning Permission
Applicant: Badgworth Schoolroom Management Committee
Location: Badgworth School Rooms, Church Lane, Badgworth, Axbridge,
Somerset, BS26 2QW Coordinates: E: 339596.02 N: 152300.92
Proposal: Installation of 2 rows of 9 solar pv panels to East roof slope

Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 (As Amended)

Application No: 03/22/00014
Application Type: Listed Building Consent - alterations
Applicant: Badgworth Schoolroom Management Committee
Location: Badgworth School Rooms, Church Lane, Badgworth, Axbridge,
Somerset, BS26 2QW Coordinates: E: 339596.02 N: 152300.92
Proposal: Installation of 2 rows of 9 solar pv panels to East roof slope.

Matters discussed included: D2 'Promoting high quality and inclusive design – high quality sustainable and inclusive design that responds positively to and reflects the particular characteristics of the site and the identity of the surrounding areas well as taking into account climate change – consideration given to historic character'

D4 Renewable or Low Carbon Energy and Heat Generation projects – ‘evidence that the scheme has been sited to address adverse impacts on the surrounding area as far as is practical for its effective operation. Balance between the adverse impacts on users and the extent of any direct benefits to the local area and community.’

D26 Historic Environment = ‘Emphasis on the importance of the setting of the designated heritage assets as well as important views to or from the assets themselves.’

Preapplication advice – ‘objection in principle -visually harmful to the setting’

Recommendation: Support - Unanimously agreed Basis: The application is in line with Local plan policies D4 and D26 and is sited to minimise visual impacts, the proposal is positive for the community in achieving fuel cost savings and keeping hire costs lower to encourage use.

059/22P To agree the Minutes for the meeting

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10.06 am

Signed Chairman (Cllr Vining) 8.12.22 (Date)