

## Planning report November 2020

The last planning meeting was on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> October, another short meeting with only two applications. Councillors Eileen Field, Kate Easton and Jem Jones kindly stepped in to make up the quorum.

We each month have a number of applications referring to trees, either pruning or felling. These are normally sent on to Ruth Rose Forestry and Landscape Officer at SDC. It would be good if we could stipulate for a new tree to be planted in the Parish for every tree felled.

I spoke at the SDC planning meeting on the 21<sup>st</sup> October which was a nerve racking experience as technology and I don't always see eye to eye. It was a disappointing result as SDC don't seem to adhere to the policies set down in their Core Strategy. It is now with the Secretary of State to make a decision as Sport England made a Holding Objection which was omitted from the Committee Report that the SDC Councillors had and was only revealed at the last minute.

We also seem to get conflicting views from planners who interpret the policies in different ways which does make decision making sometimes difficult.