Stretton Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting 8th August 8pm Jackson Stops Stretton MINUTES

Present: Cllr Richard Foster (Chairman) Cllr Greg Harker, Cllr Gideon Visser Cllr, Nick Begy (Ward Cllr)

Members of the public Present: Two

Apologies: Cllr John Leefe, Sally Skyrme (Clerk), Cllr Brian Lester

There were no declarations of interest

RF added a planning application for the felling of a sycamore tree 2017/0728/CAT

Comments from the Public

Mr P Green: registered an objection over the proposed addition of the solar panels as per the planning application ref: 2017/0598/LBA under consideration. The objection was based on:

- 1. The visual impact on three properties within the conservation area, and "ruining" the character of the area
- 2. The panels are in his opinion visible from the public road
- 3. It sets a precedent for the area

A member of the public requested the Parish Council considered supporting the objection.

A member of the public: reference the same application registered an objection based on ruining the character of the area and setting a precedent

Application 2017/0598/LBA

Gideon Visser: supported the principal of solar panels, but also pointed out he too had solar panels on his property

Greg Harker: said he had doubt and concern due to it being a listed building and altering the character of the property. In general, he does support the use of solar panels.

The Parish Council had no specific issue with solar panels and the concern was simply based on the listed nature of the property. The following statement was agreed and voted on:

"The council takes note of the strong objections submitted by the close neighbours most directly affected by the application.

No doubt the conservation officer will apply the material considerations applicable to altering the character of a listed building and that part of the village.

Application 2017/0659/FUL

No objection

Application to fell a tree at 10 Spinney Lane 2017/0728/CAT

No objection