

INFORMAL MEETING OF NORTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 11th JULY 2016

PRESENT: Mr. A. Burt, Mr. B. Aket, Ms. L. Paris,
Mrs. J. Rowland (Clerk)

APOLOGIES: Mrs. K. Fullam, Mrs. P. Croft, Ms. P. Blackmore

Mid Suffolk District Council Planning Applications 5070/16, 2797/16, 4963/16, 4942/16,
4386/16

Thurston Parish Council informed my Council of the above applications due to be determined by the MSDC Planning Referrals Committee on 12th July.

The Councillors had the following observations and comments to make for consideration by the Committee:

1. These sites will deliver approximately 830 dwellings. It is considered this will create pressure on the surrounding small village roads.
2. Although there is consideration for primary school provision, there is still likely to be an impact on our small village school which is already full, and suffers, like most schools, from traffic congestion around the school and village hall car park.
3. There will also be a large impact on Thurston Upper School.
4. The general infrastructure in and around Thurston will be stretched.
5. Medical provision both GP and Hospital will be required, as will retail outlets. With the closure of rural police stations, policing will be stretched.
6. Broadband in certain areas is very poor. Currently large sections of Norton are still unable to access fibre optic broadband.