

## South Kyme Parish Council

Minutes for Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting held on 20 October 2022 at 5.30 PM Location: Coronation Hall, High Street, South Kyme

## <u>MINUTES</u>

## Public Comment.

- A number of residents raised points relating to planning application 22/1362/FUL:

\* Clarification was sought as to parish councillors declaring an interest if they lived in close proximity to the application site. This matter was clarified by the Chairman. It is a matter of law, if a councillor feels they have any interests of a pecuniary or non-pecuniary nature then it is their responsibility and legal duty to declare it at the appropriate time.

\* Why was the extraordinary Parish Council meeting called when the applicant had laid out the details of the planning application in the public session of the September ordinary council meeting. It was pointed out that at the time no formal application had been received by the Parish Council, it was therefore not on the agenda for discussion - the Parish Council were therefore not able discuss and decide on any comment on the associated planning application.

\* The applicant complained that the District Planning Officer and District Councillor did not gain permission from the applicant to visit the site. It was explained that the tenant of No 37 was present and did not object to the visit. The applicant was advised to make a formal complaint to the District Council if he felt that correct procedure had not been followed.

\* The Chairman of the Parish Council was asked if in his District Councillor role he was a member of the NKDC Planning Committee and this was confirmed as being correct by the Chairman.

\* A resident stated that over 40 people had signed a petition in favour of the planning application and that this should be considered by the Parish Council. The Chairman explained that the Parish Council are now aware of this but it does not meet the requirements of the Central Lincolnshire Local Plan for a public consultation.

Present: Clirs Mervyn Head (Chairman), Lesley Moore, Alex Alexander, and Carly Clayton; a number of members of the public.

Welcome and open the meeting at 17:50.

- 22/23/082 To receive and agree apologies for absence. - Apologies received from the Clerk, Dermot Daly.
- 22/23/083 To receive disclosures of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests, pursuant to section 31 of the Localism Act 2011, and applications for dispensation from Councillors on matters considered at this meeting.
  Clir M Head declared a non-pecuniary interest but stated that he had an open mind about the application.
- 22/23/084 To determine which items on the agenda, if any, require the exclusion of public and press under the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 1 (2) and resolve to exclude public and press for these items.
  It was RESOLVED that item 22/23/086 may have commercially confidential information discussed and should therefore be held without public or press.

PLANNING



22/23/085 22/1362/FUL - Whitehouse Farm, 37 Low Road, South Kyme - Residential development of 8 no. dwellings, garages and associated works

- It was RESOLVED that the Parish Council would send the following comments to the Local Planning Department:

1. The site which previously had outline planning for 5 dwellings, now, with the addition of 3 extra dwellings had no provision for additional visitor parking and could potentially impact on traffic flow in Low Road if cars were parked on Low Road.

2. The inclusion of Solar Panels and EV charging points goes some way to address issues of sustainability and climate change, but the loss of biodiversity from the creation of the row of terraced dwellings fronting onto Low Road necessitating the removal of a significant amount of trees and hedge would have a negative effect on biodiversity.

3. The inclusion of low cost homes for both families and older residents was seen as a positive attribute, but the absence of any provision of green space and a children's play area was considered to outweigh these benefits as the village has no play area and the Parish Council has been asked by residents for many years to try to provide such a facility. Any increase in families with children in the village would exacerbate the existing problems that residents have with children having no specific area for recreation, so creating problems in the village.

4. The Parish Council would ask that Anglian Water consider the likely impact of this development on the sewage system. In times of high rainfall could Anglian Water also confirm that the new development will not adversely impact on the residents of South Parade who have had significant flooding from overflowing drains in the past two years during high rainfall events.

5. The current Central Lincolnshire Local Plan classifies South Kyme as a 'small village' with a development allowance of 17 homes. This planning application exceeds that by 6 (taking into account the incremental effect of other applications) and therefore requires the applicant to undertake a public consultation with our residents. The Parish Council does not accept the submitted petition as proof of a proper consultation and suggests that one be undertaken so that all residents will have an opportunity to review the plans and make any comments before the application is considered by the planning authority.

## **FINANCIAL**

22/23/086 To discuss and agree actions in relation to the Environment Warden contract. - As agreed earlier the meeting was closed to the press and public at 18:16.

> - From reports submitted by the Environment Warden, it was demonstrated that the levels of Dog Fouling was not reducing and that the service was not giving value for money.

- The public health issues of dog faeces not being picked up were also considered.

- It was RESOLVED to give notice to terminate the contract as from 1st January 2023; that notice be given for the suspension of the contract for six months at which point a further full review of the Environment Warden service and the levels of dog fouling would be undertaken.

CLOSE

Meeting Close: 18:55.