

# HEMPNALL PARISH COUNCIL

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## **Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 29th November 2011 at 7.45pm in The Loft, Hempnall Village Hall**

### **ACTION**

#### **Present**

Chairman Geoffrey Moulton, Vice Chairman David Hook, Liz Allen, Richard Delf (from Wind Turbine item), Mr Workman (from Wind Turbine item) and the Clerk Ian Nelson.

#### **Members of the public present**

Mr Ian Cundy, Mr Peter Forest (TCI Renewables Ltd)

#### **Apologies**

Apologies were received from County Councillor Alison Thomas, District Councillor Windridge and Mike Turner.

#### **Declarations of Interest**

Mrs Allen declared a prejudicial interest and Mr Moulton declared an interest in the Wind Turbine matter. Mrs Allen also disclosed an interest in the Hempnall school entrance matter.

#### **Minutes of the previous meeting**

The minutes of the meeting on 15<sup>th</sup> November 2011 were approved and signed.

#### **Public Participation**

Mr Cundy asked if the parish council could consider having a copy of the previous meetings minutes available at the subsequent meeting for the public to read prior to the meeting. The clerk said that this would not be a problem and indicated that a copy was published on the parish council website and a hard copy is normally available on the notice board in the shop.

#### **Wind Turbines**

Mr Forest offered to meet the parish council to help supply information re the wind turbine issue but would prefer it not to be a public meeting.

#### **County/District Councillor updates**

None received.

#### **Planning Applications**

##### **New applications since the last meeting:**

None.

##### **Applications approved since the last meeting:**

Mr A Coppin, White Lodge, Mill Road, Topcroft - Proposed Erection of building to accommodate agricultural machinery and to construct new vehicular access.

#### **Hempnall School**

County Councillor Thomas had requested the site meeting and contact is awaited from NCC. The clerk to monitor.

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#### **Wind Turbines**

Mrs Allen left the meeting.

Mr Moulton handed over the chair to Mr Hook.

TCI Renewables Inc, Busseys Loke, Hempnall - Request for Scoping Opinion for 4 x

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131m high wind turbines

Mr Hook explained the requirement to respond to the scoping documentation regarding the contents of the Environmental Impact Assessment. Mr Workman proposed, Mr Delf seconded and it was unanimously agreed that the following matters should be requested to be included in the scoping document in addition to those already listed: **ACTION**

Outdoor lighting.

Rural Tranquillity

Cultural Heritage (including impact on churches, historic buildings and conservation areas).

Listed buildings.

Conservation areas.

Support of a new viewing site suggested by TCI from The Street near the school entrance.

Suggest new viewing sites from Saxlingham Green and Fritton Common, both being conservation areas.

Bats.

The effect of the large size of the site.

Cumulative impact

Impact of access roads / infrastructure / anemometry mast/ancillary buildings on the nature of the site.

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Mr Hook and the clerk to respond accordingly.

Mr Delf noted that the strong feeling of parishioners against the turbines was not covered by the EIA.

Mr Hook explained the changes to the predetermination rules as a result of the Localism bill becoming law.

The clerk reported that he had booked the main room of the village hall on the 9<sup>th</sup> January 2012 at 7.30 for the public meeting re the wind turbines. The clerk presented a draft invitation to the meeting which was slightly amended. The clerk to produce sufficient quantity to distribute to each house in the parish.

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The distribution would be carried out by the following:

PW

Old Market way and attached Closes – PW

RD

The Street, Fairstead Lane, Broaden Lane - RD

DH/DP/

Coronation Crescent, Rowland Drive DA or DP – DH to contact and agree allocation

DA

Field Lane including Row's Meadow DA or DP – DH to contact and agree allocation

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Bungay Road – IN

DH

Mill Road, The Krons – DH

MT

The Greens & Arburgh Rd – MT

Neighbouring Parish Councils to be notified and invited, namely, Saxlingham, Tasburgh, Fritton, Morningthorpe, Shotesham, Hardwick, Woodton, Beddingham.

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DH/IN

Mr Hook and the clerk to arrange the logistics of the evening.

GM

Mr Moulton to arrange a roving microphone, amp and speakers.

Mr Moulton retook the chair.

## **Items for next main meeting agenda**

- Community right to buy vis a vis Queens Head

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There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 9.03pm.

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Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date 10<sup>th</sup> January 2012