

HEMPNALL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 11th February 2014 at 7:30pm in The Mill Centre

ACTION

Present

Vice Chairman Mr David Hook, Mrs Debbie Ashford, Mr Richard Delf, Mr Mike Turner, Mr Peter Workman and the Clerk Mr Ian Nelson.

Members of the public present

County Councillor Alison Thomas

In the absence of Mr Moulton, Mr Hook took the chair.

Apologies

Apologies were received from District Councillor Michael Windridge, Mr Moulton, Mrs Allen, Mr Cunningham and Mr David Pointer.

Declarations of Interest

None were declared.

Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting on 14th January 2014 were approved and signed.

Public Participation

Mrs Thomas presented her apologies for the meeting to be held on 11 March.

Wind Turbines - Application 2013/0105 - revised

General Update

SNC Development Management Committee decision

A meeting of the SNC Development Management Committee was held on 29 January to decide the view that the Committee would have taken with regard to the TCI turbines' application had the application been for South Norfolk Council to determine. The committee voted that they would have voted to refuse the application and in so doing contradicted the Officer recommendation. The grounds for refusal were: visual impact; harm to heritage assets and residential amenity. This means the parish council will, together with SNC, SHOWT and other parish councils, be on the same side at the Public Inquiry on the 1st April, all opposing TCI Renewables Turbines' proposal.

Mr Pickles

The clerk had not received a response as yet from Mr Pickles re the parish council's request for the application to be recovered by the Secretary of State.

Statement of Case

Mr Hook reported that our rule 6 party Statement of Case has been submitted to PINS.

Advice received from our barrister

Mr Zack Simon's email advice of 7 February was disclosed to the meeting and discussed.

Mr Workman proposed, Mr Delf seconded and it was unanimously agreed that in its preparation for the Streetwood Planning Inquiry, Hempnall Parish Council, as a member of the Hempnall Parish Council Rule 6 party, will follow the advice given by barrister Zak Simons in his email of 7 February 2014. We will therefore, "*Proceed unabated in our preparation of our Rule 6 statement of case and our preparation of evidence on planning, landscape, cultural heritage and bats.*" We will also not assign the experts we have employed to progress our cases (namely: Bill Blackledge; John Goldsmith and Chris Vine) over to South Norfolk Council.

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Planning Applications

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New applications since the last meeting:

There were none.

Applications approved since the last meeting:

There were none.

Items for next meeting

No extra items raised.

Date of next meeting

The next Parish Council main meeting will take place on 11th March 2014 directly after the parish meeting at about 7:75 to 8pm.

ALL

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 8:21pm.

Signed _____ Date 11th March 2014