

BURTON OVERY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF (extra-ordinary) MEETING HELD – Tuesday 23rd August 2021 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllr Bob Warwick
Cllr Sarah Rankine
Cllr Dave Fletcher
Cllr Bob Pain
The Clerk and seven members of the public

21/083 **Apologies** – None

21/084 **Questions from members of the public** – a member of the public raised concerns over the condition of verges near to where two new dwellings had recently been erected at the junction of Elms Lane and Scotland Lane, which had been left in an untidy condition. The chair felt that little could be done on this matter now that the builders had left the site other than to rely on the goodwill of the owners to tidy the land.

21/085 **Declarations of interest** – none

21/086 **Approval of Minutes of the parish council meeting on 10.08.21** – Approved and signed by Cllr Warwick.

21/087 **Planning matters to consider** –
Planning Application Reference - **21/01392/FUL** - Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of a replacement dwelling; change of use of part of field to garden land and associated landscape works (revised scheme of 18/01516/FUL)
The chairman gave an overview of the proposal, the history of the various planning applications made in relation to the site and the issues which can be taken into account in commenting on such applications.
After detailed discussion of the relevant issues it was resolved to submit objections to the proposal on the following grounds: -

- The proposal conflicts with several policies within the Burton Overy Neighbourhood Plan, e.g. policies S2, H2, H3 (a & c), DBE1 (a & c - i), ENV2, ENV4, ENV8;
- It was also felt that the proposal is in conflict with policies within the Harborough Local Plan, particularly HC1 and GI 2, 4 & 5 (although it was recognized that the planning authority will be best placed to comment and decide upon the application of these policies);

The conclusions of the council was that the information submitted with the proposal contained no material considerations to indicate that the policies of the Development Plan should not prevail and that an objection should be submitted to the planning authority.

The chair advised members of the public present at the meeting that they should also make their own direct representations to the planning authority if they had objections to the current proposal.

- 21/088 - Leicestershire County Council Members' Highway Fund**
The chair presented details of the reply received from County Councillor Feltham about the newly established Members' Highway Fund. This gave some examples of the types of schemes which might qualify for assistance, including the installation of a priority traffic flow arrangement at Washbrook bridge.
A number of other potential schemes within the village were considered and it is was recognised that further work would be needed in order to build up a viable case prior to submitting this to the County Council.
- 21/089 - Councillor Vacancy**
A number of options were actively being pursued to co-opt to the current councillor vacancy
- 21/090 - Finance Matters**
The clerk presented details of payments that fell due during August. The payments were endorsed and approved as listed in Appendix D of the paperwork presented at the meeting.
- 21/091 - Items for the next agenda – ownership and preservation of Scotland Thicket (in addition to previously identified matters).**
- 21/092 - Date of next meeting - Tuesday 21st September 2021 at 7.30pm**
- 21/093 - Exclusion of the Public**
No confidential matters were considered at the meeting.

The meeting finished at 8.35pm

Signed

Date
