



Minutes of the Hanborough Parish Council

35/2014

At the extraordinary meeting of Hanborough Parish Council held at 7.00 pm on Wednesday 20th August 2014 in the Methodist Church Hall, the following were present:

Mrs Gill Battams Mr Niels Chapman Mr Philip Earnshaw (Vice Chair) Mr Steve Nicholls
Mr David Tee

Members of the public attending: No members of the public were present.

The meeting was chaired by Cllr Earnshaw.

81. To receive apologies for absence: Apologies for absence were received from Mr Mike Baggaley (Chair), Mr Christopher Ball, Mr Peter Brittin, Mr Hugh Burton and Mrs Vicky Field.

82. To receive declarations of pecuniary interest from Councillors relating to agenda items: None received.

83. To consider employing a planning consultant to inform the parish councils response to forthcoming applications

It was proposed by Cllr Tee and seconded by Cllr Nichols. that the decision to employ a planning consultant is deferred. This was because it was not thought that immediate professional planning advice would add value to what will already be a strong response to the Corpus Christi application on Church Road. The Council was unanimous in this.

In deferring this decision, the council remains in agreement that it is likely that professional planning advice will be necessary in the future. This might be for the development of a set of generic planning responses that would be applicable to all planning applications in the parish; to guide the Council through any possible appeals, where the Council has little experience; or to respond to a yet unknown application by Pye.

84. To select and agree which planning consultant from the quotes provided

The RFO had obtained a number of proposals with hourly rates from planning consultants for consideration. These will be considered at the time a resolution is made to employ a consultant.

85. To agree the first tasks for the planning consultant

It was agreed that the Planning and Environment Group will initially consider this item and prepare a specific set of tasks that a planning consultant would undertake on behalf of the Council. The group will then table this as a proposal to the September or October Parish Council meeting, depending on the progression and outcomes of both the Savilles and Pye applications.

The meeting was closed at 7:45pm. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 9th September in The Greenway Room.

The Chairman. 9th September 2014