

Tunstall Parish Council

Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 21st July 2021

Present: Cllr Lee Burgess; Cllr Vivien Rich; Cllr Mavis Hibben

Also in attendance: None

1. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

In the absence of the Chairman it was **RESOLVED** to appoint Cllr Rich as chairman of this meeting.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

It was **RESOLVED** to receive and approve apologies for Cllr Roberts

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were none.

4. PLANNING

A discussion took place on the possibility of the Highsted Park application coming forward soon and how the Council should prepare for action if it does.

It was **RESOLVED** that when the Highsted Park application come forward, the Council should draw residents attention to it by displaying posters on the Noticeboards.

The following wording was **AGREED**:

XXX (*Planning Ref Number & Full Title*)

Tunstall Parish Council would like to draw residents' attention to this major planning application which significantly affects Tunstall Farmlands and the surrounding areas.

This application will be considered by Swale Borough Council in due course. They will decide whether it goes forward. It will be important for them to understand Swale residents' views, whether for or against. This is your chance to comment.

You can put forward your views directly on line using the Swale planning portal

at: XXX (url) Or by writing to :XXX (contact & address)

The statutory deadline for comments is XXX but due to the scale and complexity of this application, Swale will be open to comments beyond that if needed.

It was **RESOLVED** for the 'XXX' information to be completed by the Clerk as soon as it becomes available and for three copies to be printed and sent to Cllr Rich ASAP to put up on Noticeboards.

It was **RESOLVED** to use this same copy, if required, on a printed black and white flyer to put through residents' doors. It was **RESOLVED** to allocate up to £100 for printing budget.

It was **RESOLVED** for the Clerk to ascertain if Swale can print quickly if/when required (2 or 3 to A4?, cut to produce 750 copies). Cllr Rich to pick up from printers and distribute to other Councillors. (Cllr Rich hopes to deliver to Tunstall Rural doors.)

It was **RESOLVED** to put a holding paragraph on the portal requesting an extension if the statutory deadline is short. The Councillors agreed the following wording:

Tunstall Parish Council has engaged with previous consultations and fully participated in the local planning process. Due to the scale and complexity of this application, we consider the statutory period to respond inadequate and request an extension so that we can comment in more detail in due course.

It was **RESOLVED** for the Clerk to send this wording to the case officer and portal should the deadline be short.

It was **RESOLVED** for the clerk to request a hard copy of the application papers, in particular any layout plans and maps which are difficult to view on line ASAP. Cllr Rich shall collect from Swale Borough Council for speed.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 18:38pm