

Minutes of the Meeting held at 7.30pm on Tuesday 21st August 2012 at the Moorland Hall

Councillors Roger Webber (*Chairman*), Linda Atkins, Eric Clarbull, Eric Norman, Tim Gardner, Marlene Allinson (*The Parish Clerk*) and three parishioners.

Public Question Time: Planning Application 6/8/12/105
Shearwell Data Ltd: concerns were expressed re: scale of the project; height of the building (concern re a precedent being set); impact of the lighting particularly from the offices [where there are many windows proposed] and also from the car park and in view of ENPA's Dark Sky status: have lighting policies been reviewed after Dark Sky status awarded?; that the environmental impact statement is lightweight; that the Planning Officer dealing with the application has not delegated matters while on holiday during the consultation period (RW to follow up this last point with ENPA). The applicant answered questions and points raised, including the use of VentAir on cattle buildings which will not allow light through (and keeps a building drier) but ENPA insist that Yorkshire Boarding is used. The Clerk was asked to minute this last point and write to ENPA on this matter.

178.1 Apologies of Absence: Cllrs John Davis, County Cllr Frances Nicholson and District Cllr Stephen Pugsley (who attended from 8.10pm onwards).

178.2 Declarations of Interest:

Item No	Councillor	Nature	Reason	Action Taken
4	Webber	Pecuniary	Brother of applicant, owner of part of land	Left the room
8.2	Clarbull	Personal	Chairman of the Village Hall Committee	Minuted

178.3 Minutes: The minutes of the meeting held on 17th July were approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record. There were no matters arising.

178.4 Planning Applications:6 /8/12/105 Shearwell Data Ltd: Proposed re-development of the site to replace an existing agricultural building and workshop lean-to with a purpose built B1 office, research and development and light industry workspace

(2,153m² gross external area), 40kw roof mounted solar photo voltaic array, change of use and extension of existing agricultural storage building to B1 light industry (371m² gross external area), extension of car park, erection of replacement agricultural building (1,758m² gross external area) and associated yard area, landscaping together with the provision of a new access drive (approx 830m) from the B3224 to existing business building including cross Public Bridleway No WL 6/22 supplemented by an Environmental Statement received 18/05/12. As per additional and amplified information 08.08.12. Cllr Webber left the room for this item, Cllr Atkins now chaired the meeting and asked the applicant to outline the changes from the first planning application, which address planting, hedge banks and screening issues. It was pointed out that the proposed building is not 3 storey but has a central apex for storage. **Vote:** supported.

178.5 Highways: car park repairs: Cllr Webber reported that tenders will be sent out tomorrow. Tree cutting at Beulah and other sites: Cllrs Webber and Pugsley to take this point to the next Exmoor Panel meeting. Concern expressed re shoddy work at Slade Corner and nothing happening re repairs at Putham Lane. The Clerk reported on road closures A396 Bridgetown to Exbridge (5 days from 10/09/12) and A39 High Street and Redway to B3225 West End, Porlock (24/09/12 for 3 evenings).

178.6 Dog Fouling Agreement with WSC: it was agreed that the 3 dog litter bins should be green and that the locations are: in the car park opposite the School; on the left at the entrance to No 1 Church Cottages; behind the footpath at the left of the entrance to Meadow Close, subject to agreement re emptying with WSC.

178.7 Wheddon Cross Toilets: Cllr Webber reported on a meeting with Cllrs Kate Kravis, Steven Pugsley and the Clerk. Tim Stokes (ENPA) mentioned the last round of LARC funding (closing date 31/08/12): Clerk to follow up. Ross Campbell had been asked to prepare some plans as is and as might be (cost to be met by WSC). A meeting on 29/08 to take place at WSC re the toilet contract (due for renewal September 2012): Cllr Webber and the Clerk to attend. It was agreed that the Clerk log her hours separately for work on the toilets.

178.8 Finance: 178.8.1 Resolved to pay the Moorland Hall £9.50 for room hire; 178.8.2 Resolved to pay an SALC £20 for

Code of Conduct training.

178.9 Meetings: Cllrs Webber and Clarbull and the Clerk had attended the SALC Code of Conduct training. The Clerk reported on a Snowdrop Valley 2013 meeting. Cllr Webber reported that Ken Maddock will be visiting Exford 03/11/12 [Conservative candidate for Avon & Somerset Police Commissioner]. Cllrs Webber and Pugsley reported on a meeting at Cutcombe Market with SCC's leader and ENPA. Cllr Clarbull reported on a meeting at the Community Council for Somerset. Correspondence: ENPA Annual Open Meeting 12/09/12 7pm Exford Memorial Hall; Exmoor Consultative and Parish Forum: 09/08/12 7pm Withypool Village Hall.

178.10 Items for the next Agenda: September: Snowdrop Valley Road Closure; Progress Report re WX Toilets. November: Code of Conduct: possible revisions.

Council then went into **Confidential Session** (9.05pm) to discuss a police matter.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.25 pm. The next meeting of Cutcombe Parish Council will held on Tuesday 18th September 2012 at 7.30pm in the Moorland Hall.