HEPWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HEPWORTH PAVILION THURSDAY 9 FEBRUARY 2023 7.30 PM

PRESENT:

Councillor Garry Bloomfield (GB) (Chairman) Councillor Marjorie MacPherson (MM) Councillor Louise Robinson (LR) Councillor Perry Penn (PP) Councillor Nicholas Bennett (NB) Councillor Christine Price (CP)

IN ATTENDANCE: Christopher Garman (Parish Clerk) (CG)

Two members of public were present.

There was a welcome from the chairman.

23/023 APOLOGIES

Councillor Hollie Bloomfield (HB), Councillor Justin Seldis (JS) and District Councillor Carol Bull (CB) were not present. County Councillor Joanna Spicer (JSp) had sent her apologies.

23/024 PUBLIC FORUM

There was comment that the proposed developments at Shepherds Grove, Stanton, would be located in an inappropriate location. There was discussion around the proposed development.

23/025 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST None.

23/026 REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

None.

23/027 PLANNING MATTERS

There was discussion on the next stages in the preparation of the response to planning applications DC/22/2190/HYB and DC/22/2191/ADV. There was disappointment that the reasonable request for a WSC planning officer to come to a public meeting was declined. It was noted that Peter Bradfield, the SCC officer responding to the consultation, was willing to talk over the local concerns and NB was asked to contact him to. LR and NB gave a report on their recent visit to Wisbech where they observed the operations of Copart. It was suggested CB needed chasing on the question of the outline application for change of use and its validity. It was considered there were huge gaps in the information provided to make at this point a response. It was agreed that CG would draft a holding objection response to application DC/22/2190/HYB and in respect of DC/22/2191/ADV an objection based on the inappropriate location for commercial advertising. These will be reviewed at the next meeting.

23/028 QUESTIONS TO THE CHAIRMAN

a) CG asked about the recruitment process for the new Parish Clerk. It was agreed that arrangements should be put in place to interview candidates.

b) It was noticed at a recent meeting that some residents were unaware of the plans for the traffic calming scheme. It was decided to put a brief outline of the works in the next edition of the Hepworth Herald.

23/029 DATE OF NEXT MEETING The next Parish Council meeting which will be on Thursday 16 February 2023 at 7.30 pm.

The meeting closed at 8.50 pm.

Christopher Garman Parish Clerk 13 February 2023