Teffont Parish Council

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Minutes of the Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting held in Teffont Village Hall

16th August 2023 at 18:00

MEETING CONVENED: 18:00

Those present:

Parish Councillors: E. Worth (Chair). Sonia O'Donnell (Vice Chair) T. Deane.

Also in attendance: M. Honeybourne (Parish Clerk). There were 2 members of the public present.

There were no questions or statements from the members of the public present.

MEETING MINUTES

23.08.01	Resolution to receive apologies for absence.
	Apologies were received from Councillor Johnson (Other commitments). Councillor Blackford (Holiday). Councillor Bell (Late apology as unwell)
	The Chair proposed apologies should be accepted.
	Proposed: EW Seconded: SO Carried: Unanimously
	Resolved: Council resolved to accept all apologies from those absent from the meeting.
23.05.02	Declarations of Interest/ Dispensations
	 A) Declarations: Councillor O'Donnell declared an interest in and has a material interest in, agenda item 23.08.06
	B) Dispensations: None required
	The Chair noted Councillor O'Donnells declared interest and informed her she would be ineligible to vote on agenda item 23.08.06.
23.08.03	Resolution of Minutes 27.06.23
	The Chair proposed the minutes were accepted as true and accurate precis of the meeting held on 27.06.23.

	Proposed: EW Seconded: TD Carried: Unanimously RESOLVED: Teffont Parish Council accepted the minutes as a true and accurate precis of the meeting held on 27.06.23.
23.08.04	Co-Option of new Parish Councillor. The Chair invited Rob Evans to make a supporting statement for why they wish to join Teffont Parish Council.
	The Chair proposed the Co-Option of Rob Evans to join the Parish Council.
	Proposed: EW Seconded: TD Carried: Unanimously
	RESOLVED: Teffont Parish Council voted unanimously to co-opt Rob Evans as a Councillor for Teffont Parish Council
	Councillor Evans was invited by the Chair to take his place on the Council.
23.08.05	Additional Pay For Clerk and Casual Support staff. The Chair invited the Clerk to explain the reasoning for this request. The Clerk informed Council due to a recent freedom of information request and a subject access request, she had worked far in excess of her 5 contracted hours and had used a proof reader to help with accuracy. Councillor Deane asked how many hours had been spent. The Clerk stated approximately 80 currently but the work is incomplete. The Chair proposed the Clerk and casual staff should be paid now and in the future.
	Proposed: EW Seconded: SO Carried: Unanimously RESOLVED: Council agreed to pay the clerk and support staff for additional hours worked above their contracts, now and in the future
23.08.06	Planning Application PL/2023/06392 The Chair invited the applicant to explain his planning application. The applicant explained the principle difference, on the previous application, is the reversal of the floor plan to enable more light to enter the building. The previous application was refused on grounds of lack light into the dwelling and the working schedule has also been amended to allow for bat feeding habits. Another member of the public was asked to speak and he gave his full support to the application. The Chair invited comments from the Councillors. Councillor Deane fully supported the application to allow a young family to remain in the village. Councillor O' Donnell questioned the use roof lights as they had previously been an area of concern in the ecology report. The applicant assured Council roof blinds would be used to maintain dark skies. Councillor O'Donnell asked for information on materials to be used. The applicant stated they would follow the recommendations in the VDS. Councillor Worth asked the applicant if they had asked to provide a drainage plan to mitigate flood risk. The applicant stated they had not. Councillor Worth proposed comments be posted in full support for the application, on Wiltshire planning website.
	Proposed: TD Seconded: SO Carried: Unanimously Resolved: Teffont Parish Council fully support the application and will post the comments on the Wiltshire Council planning website by 29.08.23
23.08.06a	Retrospective Planning Application PL/2022/04333/23 • There were no members of the public to speak in favour of the application. Councillor

O' Donnell will not be allowed to vote as she has a declared interest in the agenda
item. The Chair asked Councillors to comment. Councillor Worth explained the type of development permissible under Class E. Councillor Worth objects to the Class B8 storage and distribution based on the previous difficulties faced with vehicles using the C24 road. Councillor Deane supports the commercial use of the buildings. Councillor Evans also supported the development. Council raised concerns about the type and size of the distribution and storage use of the buildings which would be of great concern to surrounding villages with respect to traffic and Council fully discussed the retrospective planning application and agreed to support the Class E light commercial use and object to Class B8 storage and distribution at Ham Cross and Engine Shed. Proposed: TD Seconded: RE Carried: Unanimously Resolved: Council resolved to support Class E use at Ham Cross and the Engine Shed but Object to the Class B8 distribution and storage facility at Hamm Cross and Engine shed. The Clerk will post comments on the Wiltshire Planning website.
Meeting Closed. 18:50
Items for the next Agenda. • TBC
Date of next meeting: 12 th September 2023 Teffont Village Hall at 18:00
Note: The Village Hall is open for 30 minutes prior to the start of any public meeting for questions from any resident.
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