

# Bonby Parish Council

## Minutes of the Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting

Minutes of the extraordinary meeting of Bonby Parish Council held at 7pm on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2019, at the Village Hall, Bonby.

**Present:** Chair – Cllr Sarah Harriman.  
Cllr Nik Smith, Cllr Denise Peachey, Cllr Catherine Bishop, Cllr Steve Roberts.  
Clerk – Holly Hanson

No Ward Councillors attended

18 members of the public attended

### **Public Participation**

All members of the public who attended were opposed to the planning application, and cited the following reasons for their objection:

- “A shame to see the end of a pub in the village” – this application will benefit an individual, but will be of detriment to the Village
- Concern raised that loss of pub in village will have a negative impact on house prices
- Many in attendance had been regular users of the pub and remember it opening in 1970 – when it was the ‘hub’ of the village. Opening as a community asset when the drink drive laws were introduced.
- Size and style of proposed houses are inappropriate for a rural location
- Town houses in a village not in keeping and out of character with the surrounding dwellings
- Density too high for the size of plot
- Potential problems with access, car parking for multiple occupancy, school places
- Loss of one of the original village cottages that is over 100 years old, which forms the current residential accommodation for the pub
- Needed to support the growing tourism in the area, we have a caravan site and only access via Carr Lane to Ancholme Way
- Featured in the Low Villages Tourism Brochure
- Concerns re flooding, the current building is known to flood
- Many people voiced concern that there were no Ward Councillors present
- Residents raised that they had not had adequate opportunity to discuss the loss of this valuable Community Facility with Councillors from both the Parish Council and Ward Councillors
- Many voiced concern that they would not have been aware of the planning application had the Parish Council not conducted a consultation with residents
- Concern was also raised that this was already a ‘done deal’ due to write up in local press and the applicant’s citation that they had ‘agreement in principle’ from Planning.

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### **Apologies**

Cllr Amanda Riley

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### **Declaration of Interest**

None of the Councillors attending the meeting declared an interest.

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### **To discuss the Planning Application PA/2019/1984.**

Councillors discussed that there had been very little time for consultation on this application. The clerk reported that notification had been received from North Lincs Council on 29<sup>th</sup> November 2019,

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but that documents and details of the application were not available to view until 6<sup>th</sup> December 2019, with the end date for consultation being 20<sup>th</sup> December 2019.

The Clerk referenced North Lincolnshire Development Framework Core Strategy point 14.41, which states that the approach to be adopted in relation to the addition or potential loss of community facilities must include the close involvement of the local community itself. Councillors did not feel that this had happened, nor did they feel that the consultation end date gave sufficient opportunity for this to happen.

Resolved – to request an extension to the end date of consultation of 6 weeks.

All Councillors were in opposition to the proposed development. Councillors had concerns around the following points:

- Number and Design of the Proposed Residential Dwellings
  - Density too high for site
  - Style inappropriate for rural village setting
- The Permanent Loss of a Public House in Bonby
  - Loss of a valuable Community Asset
  - Bonby and neighbouring villages are expanding and there is a lack of alternative community facilities
  - No other amenity to support the growing tourism in the area
- Viability of The Haymaker as a business
  - Thriving business for 50 years prior to current ownership
  - Evidence from the Nelthorpe in South Ferriby that small village pubs can be reinvigorated
- Concerns re flooding

Resolved – That a response to PA/2019/1984 be sent to North Lincolnshire Council detailing Councillors objections, concerns and comments.