

**MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF ODIHAM PARISH COUNCIL
HELD IN THE PARISH ROOM, THE BURY, ODIHAM ON
TUESDAY 17 NOVEMBER COMMENCING AT 8.00PM**

Present: Cllrs Hale (Chairman), Bell, David, Faulkner, Fellows, Fleming, Harris, Robinson-Giannasi, Stewart and Worboys

In attendance: Mrs Weir (Clerk)

Also present: District Cllr Gorys; approximately 20 members of the public

206/15 RECEIVE AND ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

District Cllr Crookes sent his apologies.

207/15 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST RELATING TO ANY ITEM ON THE AGENDA

Cllr Robinson-Giannasi declared that he was the owner of a business in the High Street, with reference to item 210/15.

The chair advised that as per his earlier email and standing orders, Cllrs would be requested to raise their hand if they wished to speak and would only be allowed to speak for 3 minutes unless directed otherwise by him. Cllrs were also reminded about calling a point of order if needed.

The council wished to remember those affected by the tragedy that occurred recently in France. They are all in our thoughts.

208/15 PUBLIC SESSION

Graham Plumbe addressed the council for 5 minutes on behalf of himself and his wife, reading from the document circulated to all Cllrs on 15 November (Appendix 1). After stating that he had the impression that the agenda was aimed again at pre-empting issues arising in the context of the Deer Park, he outlined their opinion on each agenda item. He concluded by saying that "in the context of items 211 and 212/15, the essential duty is to reflect the voters' opinion, NOT the personal agenda of Cllrs".

209/15 DISCUSSION AND AGREEMENT IF THERE IS STILL A NEED FOR FURTHER PARKING IN ODIHAM

The following documents had been circulated prior to the meeting (Appendix 2). Some included information on more than one agenda item:-

A report from the clerk

An email dated 12 November from a local resident

A report from Cllr Harris

A report from Cllr Hale

A report from Cllr Worboys

An email from a resident dated 15 November outlining his email to Cllr Fellows

Email correspondence between the chair and a resident of Deer Park View - 14 November

A paper circulated by Cllr Fleming on behalf of himself and Cllrs Fellows and Stewart

After a detailed discussion it was agreed by the majority vote that there is still a need for further parking in Odiham. Four Cllrs chose to abstain from this vote.

210/15 DISCUSSION AND AGREEMENT ON OPC'S VIEW AND POSITION ON THE NEED TO SUPPORT THE HIGH STREET

After a detailed discussion, it was agreed by the majority vote that there is a need for OPC to support the High Street. As a business owner in the High Street Cllr Robinson-Giannasi abstained from the vote along with two other Cllrs.

211/15 CONSIDERATION AND RESOLUTION TO AGREE THAT ANY DEER PARK PLANNING APPLICATION IF SUBMITTED WILL CONTINUE TO BE DEALT WITH BY THE FULL COUNCIL

It was resolved by the majority, that any planning application submitted for the Deer Park will be dealt with by the full council. One Cllr abstained from the vote, one Cllr voted against this resolution.

212/15 CONSIDERATION AND RESOLUTION TO APPOINT 2 CLLRS TO REPRESENT OPC AT ANY MEETINGS HELD WITH HART DC AND / OR THE OWNER'S AGENT REGARDING THE DEER PARK AND TO REPORT BACK TO FULL COUNCIL

It was resolved that 2 Cllrs, to be appointed at a later date would represent OPC at any meetings held with Hart DC and / or the owner's agent regarding the Deer Park having no authority to decide or negotiate anything, but reporting back to full council. One Cllr abstained from this vote.

213/15 CONSIDERATION AND RESOLUTION TO AGREE THE PROCESS FOR UPDATING THE PUBLIC ON THE DEER PARK PROPOSAL AS IT PROGRESSES

Ways to communicate any planning application submitted to Hart DC to the public were discussed as once Hart DC have received an application they need to validate it within 21 days. OPC could include an update to the website and Facebook page, a poster in the noticeboards, forward details to other local Facebook pages, Cllrs could email the details to contacts and details could be forwarded to the secretary of The Odiham Society for circulation amongst their members.

It was agreed that the clerk would look in to the cost of printing and posting either an A5 double sided leaflet or a card to each property in the parish on the newsletter mailing list. The minimum details required will be the planning application number, details of the application and the closing date. The costs will be discussed at the next full council meeting on 7 December.

Hart DC would also be asked who they contact when a major application is received as OPC would not want to duplicate what they do.

It was also agreed by the majority that any subsequent communication from the agents of the owner of the Deer Park would be added to the website and Facebook pages, including the recent responses to the questions asked by OPC. One Cllr abstained from this vote.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.30pm.

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