

EPWORTH TOWN COUNCIL

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EPWORTH TOWN COUNCIL EXTRAORDINARY FULL COUNCIL MEETING

23 June 2021 – 7.00pm

MINUTES

Present:

Councillors: Cllr. J Whittaker (Chair), Cllr S Brumby, Cllr P Garner, Cllr R Whittaker and Cllr D Woods.

Clerk: Clare Boyall

RFO: Emma Von Sembach

Members of the public: 13

Meeting commenced at 7.00pm

Public Participation

A member of the public spoke on behalf of several residents who object to planning application PA/2021/715. The application is almost entirely outside of the town development boundary, it is in an area of historic interest including medieval strip farming and grade 2 listed buildings. 3 appeals have also been dismissed in the last 18 months for developments. The resident also spoke of the issues with flooding in this area and that the drains are at capacity. They stated that the plans are in conflict with each other.

A member of the public stated that the development would have a large impact on the local area including local walks and open spaces. They advised that the majority of the comments on the planning application highlighted flooding, the volume of traffic in this area and the increased demand the development would place on health and education in the town. They felt that Epworth should remain a small market town.

A member of the public wished to highlight the flooding concerns they had in the area of the proposed development and that this development would add to this issue.

01/06/21 To record the names of members present

Noted.

02/06/21 To receive apologies of absence

Cllrs Finch, Harm and Stewart.

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- 03/06/21** **To receive Declarations of Interest by any member of the Council** in respect of the agenda items listed below. Members declaring interests should identify the agenda item and type of interest being declared. (*Localism Act 2011 Code of Conduct*).
- Cllr Brumby 08.2/06/21
- 04/06/21** **To note dispensations** given to any member in respect to items on the agenda (*Localism Act 2011 and the Code of Conduct*).
- None received.
- 05/06/21** **To receive and approve Section 1 Annual Governance Statement 2020/2021**
- Cllr Woods proposed to approve the Section 1 Annual Governance Statement, seconded by Cllr R Whittaker. All in favour.
- It was **resolved** to approve the Section 1 Annual Governance Statement.
- 06/06/21** **To receive and approve Section 2 Annual Accounting Statement 2020/2021**
- Cllr Woods proposed to approve the Section 2 Annual Accounting Statement, seconded by Cllr Brumby. All in favour.
- It was **resolved** to approve the Section 2 Annual Accounting Statement.
- 07/06/21** **To receive the Internal Auditor's Report**
- Cllr J Whittaker briefly explained the results of the annual audit including the small number of amber points and 1 red point. These are now being addressed by the current RFO and the red point has already been rectified.
- Cllr R Whittaker queried what the red point was for. Cllr J Whittaker explained that mileage costs had been entered into the payroll costs in the accounts for last year.
- Cllr Brumby proposed to accept the Internal Auditor's Report, seconded by Cllr Garner. All in favour.
- It was **resolved** to accept the Internal Auditor's Report.
- 08/06/21** **Planning Applications** (Town & Country Planning Act 1990 as amended)
08.1 **Application No:** PA/2021/690
 Proposal: Planning permission to erect a four-bedroomed detached house with attached double garage and associated external works (including demolition of existing buildings)
 Site Location: St Andrew's Church Hall, Church Walk, Epworth, DN9 1ES
- This planning application was briefly discussed. Cllr R Whittaker proposed to support this application subject to an archaeological study being completed, a contamination study being completed, that during construction disruption to the church and residents is kept to a minimum and safety when entering and leaving the site is given a priority, consideration

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should be given to the trees on the site and that the cobbles are protected during the construction. Seconded by Cllr Garner. All in favour.

It was **resolved** to support this application subject to the above considerations.

08.2

Application No: PA/2021/715

Proposal: Outline planning permission for up to 34 dwellings with appearance, landscaping, layout and scale reserved for subsequent consideration (including demolition of existing workshop, polytunnel and stable)

Site Location: Fruit Farm, 58 Station Road, Epworth, DN9 1JZ

This planning application was discussed at length. Cllr R Whittaker proposed to object to this planning application on the following grounds.

The development is outside of Epworth Town's development boundary.

The development falls within the North Lincolnshire Local Plan LC14 designated area of protection of historic land and its unique characteristics.

The application would put added stress on the infrastructure of the town.

There are already significant issues with drainage and flooding in this area and there is inadequate provision for drainage in this application.

The protection of Epworth, its character and history, with particular reference to the conservation area, and that larger housing developments will ultimately spoil all that is unique and attractive about the Town. Core Strategy CS7.

Seconded by Cllr Brumby. 2 in favour, 3 abstentions.

It was **resolved** to object to the planning application on the above grounds.

09/06/21

Questions to the Chairman

None.

10/06/21

Date and Time of Next Meeting

Tuesday 6 July 2021 7 pm Imperial Hall, Epworth.

Noted.

Meeting closed at 8.13 pm.