

**Minutes of the Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 21st July 2016 at 7pm
The Village Hall, Lingwood Lane, Woodborough, Nottingham**

PRESENT: Cllr Andrew Gough (Chairman), Cllr John Charles-Jones, Cllr Paul Berrisford, Cllr Margaret Briggs, Cllr Patrick Smith, Cllr Colin Starke, Cllr Jan Turton, Cllr Charles Wardle, Cllr Pat Woodfield

IN ATTENDANCE: Averil Marczak (Clerk), 10 residents (part), Mr Robert Hurst (Fisher German, part).

2868. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND ACCEPTANCE

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr John Boot and Cllr Jane Stone.

2869. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Pecuniary interests – Cllr Smith: item 11, Middups' field.

2870. PUBLIC SESSION

The meeting was suspended between 7.05pm and 7.20pm to allow comments by members of the public. A brief summary is appended.

2871. MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

The minutes of the meeting held on July 12th were approved.

**2872. NOMINATION OF THE SITE OF THE FORMER SCOUT HUT FOR
INCLUSION IN THE LIST OF ASSETS OF COMMUNITY VALUE**

It was agreed that a nomination would not be made.

2873. PLANNING

PC 965, GBC 2016/0789: outline planning application with all matters reserved for a proposed dwelling on land adjacent to the Vicarage, 12 Lingwood Lane (site of former Scout hut). It was agreed to observe that the proposed dwelling was oversized and represented overdevelopment of the site. It was agreed to suggest that the site be used for affordable housing.

2874. FINANCE

The first quarter payment to HMRC was approved.

2875. STAFFING

It was agreed to pay the Clerk 10 hours of overtime. The Chairman thanked the Clerk on behalf of WPC for all her work. At 7.50pm Cllr Smith left the meeting having declared a pecuniary interest in the item to follow.

2876. FISHER GERMAN

Mr Robert Hurst of Fisher German joined the meeting from 7.50pm until 8.30pm. It was resolved to approve Fisher German's terms and conditions. Mr Hurst explained the timetable and process for making a bid for the Middups land.

2877. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

It was resolved to exclude the press and public under standing order 3C due to the confidential nature of the matter to be discussed. Publicity of professional advice, the borrowing approval

application and purchase price being considered is likely to prejudice the commercial position of the Council in making its offer.

2878. MIDDUPS LAND – CORRESPONDENCE

4 emails from villagers objecting to the proposed purchase were read out and considered.

2879. MIDDUPS LAND

It was resolved to make an offer for the land.

It was resolved to apply to DCLG for borrowing approval - option G5, time period (a) in confidential paper WPC 160721 approved (appendix 2).

It was resolved that WPC's initial bid should be option A 1-20 in confidential paper WPC 160721 (appendix 2).

It was resolved that WPC's maximum bid should be option A 21 in confidential paper WPC 160721 (appendix 2) *or* Mr Hurst's valuation of the land, whichever is the **lower**.

It was agreed that the Clerk should obtain quotes from 3 solicitors for possible consideration at August's meeting.

The meeting finished at 10.15pm.

SUMMARY OF PUBLIC SESSION

5 residents spoke against the proposed purchase of land for recreational use.

What work has been done to plan new facilities; a one-sided view has been presented; there is no demand for the new facilities; there is no need to rush; the best option is to acquire the land and lease it for farming use rather than recreational use; the consultation did not give a clear mandate; money would be better used on other projects; drainage is a problem; Smalls Croft properties have flooded in the past; who will maintain and supervise the area; young people will gather there to misbehave; what will it cost to provide utilities to the area.