Minutes of the Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting, Monday 22nd September 2014 at 7.30pm The Village Hall, Lingwood Lane, Woodborough, Nottingham

PRESENT: Cllr Richard Whincup, Cllr Paul Berrisford, Cllr John Boot, Cllr John Charles-Jones, Cllr Paul Hough, Cllr Geoff Parkinson, Cllr Jan Turton, Cllr Charles Wardle.

IN ATTENDANCE: Averil Marczak (Clerk), 3 members of public

2290. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND ACCEPTANCE

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Andrew Gough, Cllr Dan Sharp, Cllr Patrick Smith.

2291. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Parkinson declared a pecuniary interest as immediate neighbour to the applicant for PC ref 905, GBC 2014/0945.

2292. PUBLIC SESSION

The Chairman suspended the meeting from 7.35 to 7.45pm to allow public comment.

A resident raised concerns about the scale and style of the dwelling proposed on land at the rear of 161 Main St, and about the proximity of the build to the copper beech.

2 villagers raised concerns about proposed developments at The Old Stables, Foxwood Lane; the plans failed to identify the trees on the plot (which were protected by a blanket TPO) and specify which might be removed or reduced (specifically, the fate of a red cupressus had not been spelled out). The plans contained inaccuracies, as they showed 5 existing Velux roof windows whereas there were only 4.

2293. PLANNING

PC ref 905, GBC 2014/0945, an application for proposed extensions and minor modifications at The Old Stables, Foxwood Lane: it was agreed to comments as follows. (1) The plans contain inaccuracies (no. of Velux windows) and inadequate details regarding trees, and should be resubmitted. (2) The proposed high window on the gable end overlooks the neighbours. (3) The application should make clear which trees will be removed. WPC objects if any trees subject to a TPO are to be removed.

PC ref 903, GBC 2014/0926, an application for a single storey front extension at 5 Church Walk: there were no objections.

PC ref 904, GBC 2014/0983, an application for a proposed dwelling on land to the rear of 161 Main Street and repositioning of existing wall at site entrance: it was noted that no site notices had been put up and that this might delay the processing of the application. It was agreed to comment that the PC were supportive of infill development in principle but to raise concerns as follows. (1) Proposed development is overbearing. (2) The design and scale is not in keeping with the surrounding properties that can be viewed from Main Street. (3) There is no proposal to deal with surface water drainage. (4) In extreme weather, rainwater runs down the driveway between 161 and 163 and has previously flooded properties to the south of Main Street (no.s 152, 158, 160). The removal of the orchard and its replacement with a large dwelling will exacerbate this and therefore we do not accept the applicant's assertion that the proposal will not increase the flood risk elsewhere. (5) The dwelling will overlook no. 163. (6) The proximity of the proposed

build to the copper beech seems unrealistic and gives cause for concern. Future inhabitants of the dwelling are likely to wish to remove this tree to enhance their view or increase natural light, or may raise concerns about root damage to the property. The PC would object to the removal of this tree and suggests that any problems caused by its proximity to the build could be resolved by reducing the size of the dwelling and moving it further away from the tree. (7) The PC objects to any amendment or reconstruction of the wall which one of the few remaining parts of the wall and an integral part of the character of Main Street.

2294. FINANCE

4 payments totalling £1914.05 net were approved for payment. Gross payments over £500: Zurich Insurance £1478.39. It was noted that a new key safe had been purchased to meet the requirements of the new insurance policy.

2295. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

The date of the next PC meeting was confirmed as October 13th 2014 at 7pm.

The meeting finished at 8.40pm.