

# MELTON CONSTABLE PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of the Special meeting held at the Country Club at 7.30 p.m. Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2007

Cllrs. present: - Cllr. A. Loynes, (Chair). Cllr. D. Ward. Cllr. Mrs. J. Heal. Cllr. C. Scott.

Apologies were accepted from Cllr. Mrs. Hudson, Cllr. Mrs. Stocking & Cllr. Mrs. Bowes.

Members of Public present – Mrs. J. Ward, Mr. G. Bunbury, Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Holmes, Mrs. Jermany, Mrs. Morgan, Ms Simmonds & Ms, Leband

The Chair welcomed Members of the public to the meeting and said that he would allow them to comment on the planning application under discussion after members had made their comments.

Plans under discussion were for the erection of two 3 storey dwellings on land between 2 and 6 Burgh Beck Road.

The Chair explained that these plans were a cut down version of those previously rejected by this Council and the DC in January. He expressed the opinion that the DC would probably eventually allow some form of development on the site but that he still thought that 3 Storey buildings were out of keeping with the existing housing and would be obtrusive.

The Chair also said that although he realised there were a lot of people who did not wish to see housing on the site, the Council could object purely on planning issues.

There followed some discussion during which it emerged that the common objection amongst members was that 3 storeys was considered unacceptable and out of keeping.

The Chair then adjourned the meeting so that members could listen to comment from local residents attending the meeting.

By far the most common objection was the 3 storey aspect of the proposed dwellings and also the style which was considered out of keeping with existing housing

There were also concerns regarding access, construction traffic, future upkeep of the alleyways. The stability of ground under the site and the effect on wildlife around the stream.

There was anger at the removal of a large tree for which permission should possibly have been obtained.

There was general concern over the lack of measurements on the plans which did not make it clear where boundaries were and the exact position of the proposed new houses.

The Chair thanked people for their comments and reconvened the meeting so that members could vote on the application.

It was unanimously agreed on a proposition by Cllr. Scott seconded by Cllr. Mrs. Heal that the Council object to the application on the grounds of the 3 storey element, aesthetics and access.

The Chair asked the Clerk to include in the letter to the Planning Dept., a list of the comments by members of the public present.

The proposed development at the Hastings Arms was informally discussed and it was agreed in hindsight that members should wait for the official plans to come

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through in the normal way and then invite Mr. Wilson to attend the meeting at which they would be discussed to express any comments he might wish to make.

The meeting closed at 20.10 hrs.

Chairman .....

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