

MINUTES OF A COUNCIL MEETING OF HUMBERSTON VILLAGE COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 5th DECEMBER 2023 AT 7.15 PM AT QUEEN ELIZABETH HALL, WENDOVER PADDOCK, HUMBERSTON

Present: Cllr. Shawhulme (Chairman)
Cllrs. Rudd, Hudson, Sharp and Cllr. Clark (from 7.55 pm)

Apologies: Cllr. England

In attendance: Cllrs. Dawkins and Harness, Ward Cllrs., NELC
Two members of the LPT

There were 18 members of the public present.

23/158 To receive and accept apologies for absence

Received and accepted from Cllr. England (work commitments).

RESOLVED: That apologies be received and accepted.

23/159 Declarations of Interest – Code of Conduct

None made.

23/160 To approve minutes of previous meetings –

Village Council minutes from main November Council meeting, Personnel Meeting and Planning Meeting – all from November 2023.

All minutes approved and signed by the Chairman/Chairman of Committee.

RESOLVED: That all minutes be approved as true records of the meetings which took place

23/161 Police Report

To receive police report for information and agree any necessary actions from report.

Report received and circulated to all members prior to the meeting and projected at the meeting.

Slight concern about breaking in and car theft. LPT reinforced the need to keep valuables safe and not have car keys in obvious view. Noted.

Public Break

Residents present in objection to planning applications on Fitties and Thorpe Park and parking issues around St. Christopher's Road. All the public left after the public break closed.

23/162 Highways/footpaths/traffic issues

a) To receive any highways/footpaths/traffic issues for consideration and agree any necessary actions

Ongoing issues of parking and these were being considered by NELC. Applications for permit parking had been forwarded and circulated to residents as required. Noted.

b) To receive report from Highways Meeting held on 30th November 2023

Chairman and Clerk had attended and parking had been main concern discussed for Humberston.

Ward Cllrs advised they would be having meeting with school re changing road to school road scheme around issues with Church Lane parking. Noted.

23/163 Planning Matters

The following planning applications were considered:

Planning Application Reference: DM/1052/23/FUL

Proposal: Erect 10 detached dwelling houses with their associated garages, driveways and access

Location: Agriculture Land South View Humberston

Objections – the Council believes this is an inappropriate and ill-devised proposal which is not needed with all of the other new housing provision being currently provided elsewhere within Humberston. There are two new large-scale sites currently being built which provide enough homes without the need to develop smaller sites such as this one. The Village Council wish to preserve the smaller pockets of green spaces within the Village as these are valuable amenities for local residents, especially in the face of more and more housing development. The Council would support objections from residents – this development is over-intensification of a green space, it is out of character for this particular area of the village and the access/egress to the site is completely unsuitable for residential traffic. The Village Council would wish to see this application refused.

Planning Application Reference: DM/0834/23/FULA

Proposal: Install double doors to front, install chimney stack to side and erect replacement 2m close board timber fence to rear boundary

Location: 305 Humberston Fitties Humberston

The Village Council would reiterate its objections to this scheme. Although informed by the planning dept that changes have been made, the Council can see no amended plans and would therefore wish to leave its objections on file.

Planning Application Reference: DM/1073/23/FUL

Proposal: Erect single storey rear extension, install steel cladding to existing roof, install solar panels, alterations / replacement to doors and windows, replace timber decking and associated handrail and balustrade with various internal and external alterations

Location: 62 Humberston Fitties Humberston

Objections – the Village Council would support those concerns raised by the Heritage Officer and would wish to see the application refused pending these issues being clarified and proving appropriate for the site.

Planning Application Reference: DM/1133/23/FUL

Proposal: Retrospective redevelopment of an outdoor activities area with associated landscaping, drainage and underground infrastructure

Location: Haven Cleethorpes Beach (Thorpe Park Holiday Camp) Anthony's Bank Road Humberston

Objections – the Village Council would reiterate its previous objections to this development and would ask that the stage area be relocated to where it originally was on the original planning permission granted. The retrospective nature of this application should not mean that it is approved and the Village Council's previous objections still stand.

Planning Application Reference: DM/1088/23/PAT

Proposal: Prior approval to erect 23.14m mast and associated ancillary equipment

Location: Thorpe Park Holiday Camp Anthonys Bank Road Humberston

Objections – Whilst realising the need for this equipment to ensure coverage etc. for residents, the Village Council feels that this is too close to residential development and could be better positioned away from any area which is used for residential purposes.

Appeals:

Site: 21 Church Lane, Humberston, North East Lincolnshire, DN36 4HZ

Proposal: Alterations and extensions to include two storey rear extensions, first floor side extension with car port below, two storey extension to side and two storey extension to front. Loft conversion with roof lights and alterations to roof. Alterations to driveway and new landscaping to front and side boundary.

Appellant's Name: Ms Nicola Curtis

Planning Inspectorate Reference: APP/B2002/D/23/3330375

Application Reference: DM/0324/23/FULA

Start Date: 22nd November 2023

Noted and all documentation will be forwarded.

Plans c/f from planning committee meeting from November....

Planning Application Reference: DM/0749/23/FUL

Proposal: Erect single storey rear extension, veranda to front, replacement boundary treatments, gravel drive and decking to the rear (amended plans)

Location: 327 Humberston Fitties Humberston

No objections – now that the issues raised by the Heritage Officer seem to have been dealt with, the Village Council also now has no objections to the scheme.

Planning Application Reference: DM/1078/23/OUT

Proposal: Outline application to demolish two outbuildings and erect one dwelling with garage and provision of new access with all matters reserved

Location: 146 North Sea Lane Humberston

Objections – the Village Council has a stated adopted policy of opposing any infill development/back yard development due to the pressures on infrastructure within the Village and would wish to see this application refused as it falls into this category.

Planning Application Reference: DM/0536/23/FULA

Proposal: Retrospective erection of replacement shed with decking, installation of decking to rear of chalet and erection of rear timber fence

Location: 119 Humberston Fitties Humberston

Objections – the Village Council would support the objections of the Heritage Officer with the issues of the shed and fencing and would wish to see this application refused until those items have been satisfactorily dealt with.

Planning Application Reference: DM/0790/23/REM

Proposal: Variation application of condition 10 (Approved Plans) as granted on DM/0851/15/REM to relocation of LEAP (Locally Equipped Area of Play), amended landscaping and position of footpath (Amended Description).

Location: Land Rear Of 32 - 64 Humberston Avenue Humberston

No objections – the Village Council notes the LEAP but would also add that it is woefully inadequate for a development of this size. Larger and multi-age appropriate facilities should be provided for a housing development of this size.

To receive any other planning correspondence/representations from development teams and/or residents and to agree any further actions – none.

23/164 Allotment/Cemetery Matters

- a) To receive update on cemetery extension project including confirmation of loan facility and update on planning permission, land purchase and to consider schedule for works and consider quotations and agree necessary actions

NELC had now requested information on hedgerows and biodiversity and Clerk would submit this. NELC satisfied at drainage strategy submitted for surface water. Land sale conditional upon receiving planning permission. Clerk had also been obtaining quotations for landscaping/boundary and other works for project and these would go forward to January meeting. Noted.

- b) To agree allotment agreement for 2024/25 and agree dates for rent collection during January 2024

Agreement circulated to all members prior to meeting. Agreed with amendments agreed and dates for Clerk to collect tenancy fees agreed for January 2024. Clerk to send out allotment renewal pack following week by email.

RESOLVED: That the allotment agreement for year 2024/25 be agreed and that renewal arrangements Be agreed and Clerk to contact tenants as required.

23/165 Wendover Halls/Paddock Matters

- a) To receive update on quotation for door closing mechanism and agree any necessary actions

This would be actioned as under £200 and within Hall maintenance costs etc. Noted.

- b) To receive update on new benches from Ward Funding donation

Benches now ordered and had arrived. Clerk to ask Cemetery Contractor to install in paddock as required. Ward Funding application submitted as requested. Noted.

23/166 Land Management

- a) To receive update on land at Humberston Avenue and transfer to residents

Keystone/Longhurst solicitors had asked that the VC pay their legal costs which amounted to £2.5K. VC's own legal costs would only be £1k. Clerk was awaiting response from residents re any contribution they may wish to make and then would arrange meeting with Solicitor to discuss. The VC agreed that this cost could not be borne by the VC solely.

RESOLVED: That legal costs for company would not be paid by the Village Council and Clerk meet with Solicitors to further discuss.

- b) To receive report on land management following site visit in November and agree any necessary actions

Written report circulated after the visit and prior to meeting. Agreed the trimming back as detailed in report and any further works to be considered in new year. All other details to remain as current.

RESOLVED: That cutting back/trimming works be undertake as agreed following site visit and all other Contracted works remain as current.

23/167 Village Council matters

- a) To receive update on publication and circulation for Christmas/December 2023 edition and agree details for distribution vacancy and necessary actions

Agreed 3,500 required for next print run. Clerk awaiting new electoral register and do another count when that received as new housing would be shown. Agreed that Humberston Avenue round be split into two rounds at least and this would be discussed at January 2024 meeting. Clerk had already received applications for vacancies.

RESOLVED: That print amount be increased to 3,500 pending clerk's reassessment when new electoral Register received from NELC and that one round be split into two.

23/168 Future Dates

Date of next meetings: Agreed regular monthly meeting to be held Tuesday 16th January at 7.15 pm as 2nd January thought too soon after Christmas holidays.

To agree January 2024 date for budget meeting - Thursday 11th January 2024 – 7.15 pm

Planning Committee meeting – Tuesday 19th December if required

VC Christmas Meal – Monday 11th December 2023 7.30 pm.

To receive any other future dates - none received.

RESOLVED: That all dates be agreed as shown.

23/169 Reports

To receive any reports

Christmas Event – Saturday 2nd December 2023

Very well received and well attended despite very cold weather. Agreed to look at timings again for following year. Chairman thanked all those who had taken part in any way.

Any other reports

None received.

23/170 Finance

- a) To agree payments as per list circulated

All payments approved to be made as per list circulated.

RESOLVED: That all payments be made as per list circulated.

- b) To consider contribution towards Clerk's membership of SLCC for 2024 and agree any actions

Clerk left the room for this item and took no part in the consideration of this item.

Members agreed to support Clerk's membership again for 2024 and agreed contribution of £150.

Membership for the year would cost the Clerk £298.00.

RESOLVED: Approved £150 contribution towards SLCC membership for 2024.

Standing orders moved to 9.30 pm.

23/171 Events

To receive information on upcoming events and consider and agree necessary actions including –

To consider programme of events for 2024 including Summer Event, Holiday Clubs etc.

Events to be considered as part of budget setting in January and some dates ringfenced as required. Noted.

23/172 To consider exclusion of press and public

RESOLVED: exemption of press and public for remainder of meeting under Public Bodies Admissions To Meetings Act 1960, Section 1 (2) on the grounds that discussion of the following business is likely to disclose confidential information

23/173 Personnel Matters

a) To approve salaries as per schedule circulated

All salaries approved to be made as per schedule circulated.

RESOLVED: That all salaries be paid as per schedule circulated.

b) To receive report from Personnel Committee on appraisals for 2023 including any actions

Personnel Committee advised all appraisals now completed and all actions agreed had been progressed and/or completed. Noted.

Chairman closed the meeting at 9.30 pm.

Signed:

Date: