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Minutes of the Neighbourhood Plan Full Council Meeting of the Town Council held on Tuesday 3rd March 2020 at 7.00pm in The Oundle Suite, Fletton House, Fletton Way, Oundle.

Members Present: Cllrs T Robinson, C Humphreys, P Peel, R Sparkes, V Chesser, I Clark and D Fuller + DAVID E. CHAPPLE.

In attendance: Emma Baker – Town Clerk

Present: 2 members of the public. District Cllrs Reichhold and Stearn.

Absent:

19.173. Apologies for Absence

19.173.01. To receive apologies for absence.

Apologies were received from Cllrs M Glen, T Stagg, S Oakes, J Hutton and D Fuller

19.173.02. To accept apologies for absence.

The apologies for absence were accepted.

19.174. Declarations of Interests

To receive and consider any declarations of interest from Members under Section 50 of the Local Government Act 2000 (*Standing Order 13*)

(This requirement applies only in respect of matters, which are to be considered by the Council at this meeting.)

19.174.01. To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests.

19.174.02. To declare any Other Interests.

Cllr Robinson – resident of St Christopher's Drive

Cllr Clark – resident of St Peter's Road

Cllr Chapple – Member of Glapthorn Parish Council and former member of the Glapthorn NP Working Party.

19.174.03. To consider any requests for Dispensation.

19.174.04. To report any gifts or hospitality accepted over the value of £50.00.

19.174.05. To report any inappropriate gifts or hospitality offered.

19.175. Public Participation from Interested Parties or Members of the public

For a maximum of 15 minutes.

There were none.

19.176. Consideration of Requests from Interested Parties

There were none

19.177. Neighbourhood Plan

19.177.01. To receive an update on Planning Application decision made at the meeting at ENC held on 26th February 2020.

Considering the good turn out from the people of Oundle and the speakers who objected to the application the members at the meeting thought that it was disappointing that permission was granted for the Cotterstock Road development at the meeting held at ENC.

A discussion followed concerning the draft minutes from the meeting and whether they would reflect the number of speakers that spoke at the meeting. Cllr Stearn was asked if he could raise this at the next Planning Management Committee meeting at ENC.

Cllr Chapple informed the meeting how disappointed he was that one of the ENC Officers reported, at the meeting, that he had previously informed OTC not to submit their plan for examination. It was agreed that a formal letter of complaint should be sent to ENC as this was not the case.

Cllr Clark informed the meeting that he was still waiting to hear if the planning application would be called in by Secretary of State for housing.

There was concern that Tom Pursglove had written to the Chief Executive at ENC and still had not received a response.

It was reported that the ENC Planning committee members were going to see a copy of the response from the CE of ENC at the meeting held on 26th February. The Mayor asked if District Cllr Stearn had received a copy of the response. Cllr Stearn had not but agreed to ask if he could see it. He informed the meeting that Mr Rob Harbour Director of Infrastructure and Growth for the North Northamptonshire Shadow Unitary Council has been attending the Planning meetings at ENC.

The Mayor suggested that OTC should invite Mr Harbour to a meeting to discuss the housing allocation issues for Oundle that are proposed for the Local Plan.

It was agreed that a should be written to the Secretary of State for Housing to call in the St Christopher's Drive application.

19.177.02. To consider the implications of the decision on the Oundle strategic housing development and agree next steps.

Cllr Chapple raised his concerns for the future of Oundle as we could see more planning applications for housing resulting in 500+ new houses in Oundle in the next 5 years. There was a discussion about the need to be consulted at an early stage if there is further development so that we can ensure we have the infrastructure we need to support the housing.

19.178. Any Other Relevant Matters for Report

Cllr Peel asked if the Council could look into the cost for a judicial review.



There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.01pm.

Signature: 

Dated: 26/4/2020

