

LINDSEY PARISH COUNCIL

CLERK TO THE COUNCIL

Minutes of the extra ordinary Council Meeting held on Wednesday 14th August 2024 in Lindsey Village Hall, Church Road, Lindsey which commenced at 7.32pm.

In attendance: Cllrs. C Arthey (in Chair), R Corcoran, B Howe, M Hainsworth, R Howe, J Moore and A Sturgeon, Mrs V Waples, Parish Clerk and one (1) member of the public.

1. OPENING AND WELCOME

The Chair, Cllr. Arthey, opened the meeting and thanked all for attending. The statement on reporting at meetings of the parish council was read in accordance with prevailing legislation.

2. APOLOGIES OF ABSENCE:

i. To receive apologies of absence – there were no applicable verified apologies of absence as all were present.

3. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS INTEREST:

- i. To receive declarations of registrable, other and non-registerable interests as detailed in Appendix B of the LGA Model Code of Conduct Model Code of Conduct 2020 – there were no declarations of interests declared.
- ii. There were no declarations of gifts of hospitality received exceeding £50.
- iii. There were no requests for dispensations for the agenda under discussion.

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

- i. To approve the minutes of the following Council Meetings:
 - 17th July 2024 - the meeting noted that the minutes, not having yet been circulated, would be considered at the meeting scheduled for later in September / October 2024.

5. PUBLIC FORUM: (maximum 10 minutes)

- i. To receive comments from the public on the agenda as published – the following comments were made in relation to Agenda Item 6i.:

Steel Barn given approval under Class Q – PC made the comment that it appreciated the barn being approved was acceptable (both in February 2023 and January 2024).

BDC liked the “L” design, but were concerned with the overall increase in size. Approved the rectangular design as the barn was the one to be replaced. Principal is accepted of replacing the barn for residential purposes was accepted and the Class Q approval under the previous application was the fallback position.

BDC preferred the new design and the applicant is hoping that the design that the PC approved in January will be supported.

To get the approval needed to change the glazing to the window on the upper floor. Amended scheme is the one to be discussed tonight - reduce massing; more garden space; more aesthetically pleasing; design more in-keeping. Permitted development rights were removed in the granting of DC/23/00309.

6. PLANNING MATTERS: <https://www.babergh.gov.uk/planning/application-search-and-comment/>

- i. To consider the following planning application:
 - DC/24/03276 - Proposal: Application under s73 for removal of a condition following grant of planning permission DC/23/00309 dated 17.05.2024 Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) – to vary condition 2 (approved plans and documents); condition 4 (provision of obscure glass) and condition 1 (floor levels) @ Rose Barn, Rose Green Road – the meeting noted that the original planning permission had been granted on the premise that the proposed development represented a more desirable landscape character outcome than that approved under the Class Q application (which remained the fallback position). It was held that the impact on the setting of Rose Green Cottage would be no greater than the Class Q development. It was confirmed that Class Q was the original form of the barn converted into a dwelling.

So approved and signed at the meeting of 16th October 2024

Following further discussion, it was agreed that the parish council response should read as follows:
“Consistent with our response in January 2024 to DC/23/00309, we prefer the design as now submitted under DC/24/03276. It has the appearance of a converted barn which is in keeping with the character of the village and has merit. However concerns are raised as to how far this proposal has deviated from the original Class Q permission and are aware of the policies against which this must be judged”, aif.

7. PARISH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS: the following urgent reports on village issues were received from Councillors present:
 - i. Although some work had been carried out to Church Road there were still numerous potholes – these would be submitted on the SCC Highways Reporting Tool.
 - ii. Burnt patch on the road towards Rose Green had been reported on the SCC Highways Reporting Tool.
 - iii. All noted that the crossroads on the A1141 had been cut back improving visibility.
 - iv. All noted that the verges adjacent to the road at Lindsey Tye had been cut back and this had greatly improved visibility.
 - v. Corner setts at Lindsey Tye – the Clerk was asked to chase for the start date for the installation of the corner setts.
 - vi. Wind Turbine – for this to progress, there would be a requirement to survey the village as to opinions and feelings on the matter. The approval of a survey would be added to the agenda for the September meeting.
 - vii. Village sign – this will be added to the next agenda for further discussion.
8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: all meetings will take place in the Village Hall, Church Road, Lindsey.
 - i. To note the date of the next meeting – to be confirmed. It was noted that the meeting might need to take place in October to ensure there was sufficient councillors as well as the Clerk in attendance. Date will be confirmed once all had been canvassed on availability.
9. CLOSE OF MEETING: There being no other business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.00pm.