

SMEETON WESTERBY PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Zoom (Virtual Meeting) due to Coronavirus on Wednesday 9th December 2020

In line with government requirements to reduce the transmission of COVID-19
Legislation has been made to enable local council meeting to be held by
remote attendance

Councillors present:
Cllr: Richard Clarke (Chairman)
Cllr. Michael Vickers,
Cllr. David Brierley

Also, in attendance Sara Barrett (Clerk) 1 Parishioner

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr. Chapman and Cllr. Coltman.

2. Public participation in respect of items on the agenda

No public participation

3. Declaration of Interest

None received.

4. To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 16th September 2020

The minutes were approved without amendments. The Chairman will
sign these at a later date

5. Planning Applications

20/1674/FUL

The Councillors considered the above planning application, proposed extension to existing garage and carport to create tack room, refrigerator room and holiday let to first floor Fourways Farm, Debdale Lane and wish to raise the following objections to this development as it is substantially different from the designs which achieved planning permission. They object to the additional first floor

which provides for living accommodation as a 'holiday let' A holiday let could be for 1 to 2 years! They are opposed to this residential development on Debdale Lane

20/1734/FUL

The Councillors considered the above planning application, proposed change of use of existing first floor storage area over stable block into living accommodation, Brook Fields, Gumley Road and wish to raise the following objections to this development as they are opposed to further residential development on this site. They are also concerned about the fire risk to any residential accommodation on the first floor of a wooden structure not designed for it.

20/01889/PDN

The Councillors considered the above planning application, prior approval for the proposed change of use of an Agricultural building to 1 dwelling house (C3) (1 larger dwelling house) and for associated operational development (Class Qa and b) Debdale Lane, they wish to raise the following objections to this application as they are opposed to residential development on Debdale Lane. They are also concerned with the aesthetic impact that this would create as a residential unit. A corrugated iron building with windows is not an attractive prospect. There is some doubt as to whether the applicant is currently actively farming the associated land which is a prime requirement to satisfy 'Q' conditions.

The clerk will submit all of these objections to HDC

Finance and Administration

1. Approval of Bank Reconciliation

This was approved and will be signed by the Chairman at a later date

2. Approval of Invoice paid between meetings

The following invoices were paid between the Parish Council meetings
16th September 2020-9th December 2020

Leicestershire Gardens – July/Aug/Sept Mow (100557) £42.00

Autela Payroll – Payroll (100558) £51.25

Fleckney Parish Council – VAS Battery (100559) £35.00

HMRC – PAYE/NI (100560) £101.60

Sara Barrett – Sept/Oct Salary £275.46

3. Discussion of Budget and Precept 2021/22

The Budget and Precept was discussed by the Councillors and they all agreed that there wouldn't be any increase in this year's Precept and it will stay the same as 2020/2021

4. Date and time of next meeting

To be confirmed at a later date

Meeting Closed 7.40 pm

