

Minutes of the High Hoyland Parish Meeting held on Monday 8th January 2024 at 8.30 pm at the Cherry Tree, High Hoyland

Chair: Anthony Massouras

Clerk: Jo Roberts (acting in Richard Leech's absence)

Present: Mike & Kath Heaversedge, Marcus & Joanna Dacre, Robin Hugill, David Roberts, Charles Durrans, Jasper and Tina Hodges, Margaret and Malcolm Pursey, Fiona and Gearoid O'Connell, Will and Vicky Jowett,

Observing visitors – Howard and Vanessa Marsden

Apologies: Richard Leech, Lucinda Kirby, James Perigo, Peter Johnson, Cllr Alex Burnett

1. Minutes

The minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 13th November 2023 were approved.

The Chair signed the minutes.

2. Matters arising

None

3. Planning

RE – Planning appeal APP/R4408/W/23/3328681 – All Hallows, Church Lane

The acting Clerk explained the appeal process to the meeting. The appellant has appealed to the Planning Inspectorate against the Local Planning Authority (LPA – Barnsley) and their decision to refuse planning permission for the erection of a detached dwelling at the side of All Hallows. In summary the reasons for the refusal (copy attached) are

- a) that the site lies in Green Belt and would constitute inappropriate development contrary to National and Local Planning Policies
- b) The proposed dwelling would be out of keeping with the adjacent Grade II listed All Hallows Church

All previous representations made at the time of the consideration of the original planning application (2022/1063) to BMBC, by the appellant, Barnsley LPA and interested parties, will have been submitted by Barnsley LPA to the Planning Inspectorate. There is now a window of opportunity to –

- a) Withdraw any observations previously made to BMBC LPA in response to the planning application
- b) Write in support of the LPA's decision to refuse the planning application
- c) Write in support of the appellant, the appellant's appeal against the refusal.

All comments must be made to the planning inspectorate before 18th January 2024 (suggested deadline 17.00 on 17th January) either online at

<https://acp.planninginspectorate.gov.uk> or by mail to 3D, Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Bristol, BS1 6PN (see attached correspondence from BMBC). If writing by mail please submit 3 copies of your observations as requested by the Planning Inspectorate. It would also be useful to attach a copy of the correspondence from BMBC advising of the appeal.

All observations and comments must quote the details of the appeal as follows –

Appeal reference – APP/R4408/W/23/3328681

Application reference – 2022/1063

Appellant's name – Christina Caroline Ffrench-Hodges

Site Address – All Hallows, Church Lane, High Hoyland, Barnsley, S75 4BJ
Description of development – Erection of detached dwelling

In support of the appeal, the appellant confirmed that the reason for the application was so that All Hallows could be turned over fully to a retreat and that it was difficult for the family to live on the premises to do so. Furthermore, they feel it is unsustainable to live any distance from All Hallows as it is difficult to administer. They describe the site of the proposed development as a brown site within Green Belt as it has previously been a house – the Sexton’s cottage - and also a carpark.

Other points made in discussion of the matter –

Whilst there is no disputing the former existence of a cottage, it is approximately 60 years ago since it was demolished and there are no visible remains of the building now.

High Hoyland is washed over by Green Belt. There is an area in the centre of the village that has been designated by Barnsley LPA as infill – in which empty plots may be built upon. There is a very clear boundary around this area and all parts of the village beyond this boundary are in Green Belt. Any application to build in parts of the village which lie in Green Belt will be determined in accordance with National and Local planning policies and have to justify special circumstances to have an opportunity of persuading the authorities to permit planning. The acting Clerk produced a plan showing the boundaries for any interested parties to inspect.

A vote was taken to determine how the Parish should respond to the appeal. There were 7 votes in favour of supporting the LPA’s decision to refuse planning permission, 3 votes in favour of supporting the appeal and 5 abstentions.

4. Precept

The Parish Meeting needs to respond to the request from BMBC for our precept requirements for the forthcoming financial year. Richard Leech has very kindly worked as Clerk for the past year without remuneration so as to negate the need for a precept. He is proposing to do the same for 2024/2025, so that again there is no demand for a precept. There was a vote of thanks for Richard, and also for Anthony, our Chair.

5. AOB

It was requested that the Parish Meeting makes contact with BMBC to ask if the company replacing TWIGGS would assist our village volunteers with clearing the pavements and verges as has happened previously.

It was suggested that the village looks into providing hanging baskets etc for the lamp posts in the High Hoyland, as happens in neighbouring villages.

It was agreed that we would have a village litter pick on Sunday 21st January. Please meet at 3 Church Lane, 10.00 am

9. Date of next meeting

May 20th 2024 was proposed as the date of the next meeting

Approved : Signed by the Chair Mike Heaversedge

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