

## Burnham Overy Parish Council

### **Minutes of an extra meeting held in the Village Hall on Wednesday 5 March 2014 at 6pm.**

Present: Councillors: Peter Beck, Carole Coutanche. David Maclean, Simon Raven, Anne Scoles (Chairman), Pam Thompson, the internal auditor, Jonnie Usher and the clerk, Su Hamilton. Members of the Public.

Welcome by the Chairman

1. There were no apologies for absence.
2. There were no declarations of interest.
3. The meeting was adjourned to invite public participation. William Quantrill and Mike Lyons outlined plans for the Hero Public House and Councillors and Members of the Public were invited to ask questions and make comments.
4. It was resolved to agree in principle to planning application 14/00207/F for development at the Hero Public House, provided that the following issues are resolved:

In the Preferred Options for a Detailed Policies and Sites Plan, 7.18 Burnham Overy Staith, at 7.18.5 it is noted that Burnham Waste Water Treatment works has no capacity for growth. Also that developers must fund upgrades to the network. This planning application would have a far greater impact on the waste water network than the five Summer season caravans which it would replace, with 20 toilets, 10 showers and 7 baths in the four new houses and staff accommodation, compared with 5 toilets and caravan showers. The houses are 3 storey and at 8.7m tall would dominate the Public House (6.6m) It was the view of the Parish Council that the proposed houses should be 2 storeys. This would be more in keeping with the Public House itself and with a reduced number of showers and toilets would somewhat reduce the pressure on the waste water network at the same time. Although an upgrade of the Waste Water Network would still be required.

The corner on Gong Lane is used by pedestrians to cross the main road safely. There was a low wall there, which was taken down at least 60 years ago, which was set back from the existing kerb and connected with the walls of the public house itself. The Parish Council would support the proposal for a low wall, provided that it was set about 1 metre back from the kerb to allow pedestrians to walk round the corner and to cross the road safely. It would be possible to provide a footpath all the way around the pub which would improve safety for all users including customers of the pub. The wall itself would need to be continuous where it is adjacent to the main road, to prevent small children, who wouldn't be able to see over the wall, running out from the sitting area and on to the road. The wall would need to be low enough to ensure visibility for traffic leaving Gong Lane.

There were concerns that with each new holiday house requiring extra parking, there will not be enough parking for customers. Also, the car parking space shown outside the Heritage on Gong Lane could block the access to the Heritage.

It was noted that the owners of the Heritage have concerns regarding the position of the kitchen extractor fan which is not shown on the plans.

With these issues resolved, the Parish Council agreed they would welcome the proposal. There was concern expressed about possible future development of the caravan site, which it is felt is an important part of the village.

5. Date and time of Next Meeting - Monday 17 March

Meeting closed at 6.45pm

..... Chairman 17 March 2014

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