

**CLIFTON UPON DUNSMORE PARISH COUNCIL
DRAFT MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL**

Held on 26 February 2019
At the Townsend Memorial Hall, commencing 7.30 pm

Present: Cllr Marion Nash (Chair), Cllr A Robinson, Cllr L Edwards, and Cllr C Palmer

Also present: and 22 residents of the parish.

Clerk: Mrs C M Lord
MINUTE

ACTION

- 16/854 • **Apologies for absence**
Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr I Brinklow, Cllr G Neelakantan, Cllr H Duncan; and also County Councillor A Warwick Borough Councillor Leigh Hunt
- 16/855 • **Declarations of Members Interests and requests for dispensations.**
None received.
- 16/856 • **Public Forum – suspension of Standing Orders**
Public Forum opened at 7. 31 pm
A resident thanked the Chair of the Parish Council for taking the time to visit the site of the planning application in order to discuss and resolve some of the issues raised at the last meeting and provide the Parish Council with a better overview of the development.
- 16/857 • **Public Forum closed and Standing Orders resumed at 7.32 pm**
- 16/858 • **Minutes of the Parish Council meetings held on 4 February 2019**
The Members agreed that the minutes of the meeting were a true and accurate record. They were approved and signed by the Chair, Cllr Marion Nash.
- 16/859 • **Matters Arising and progress against resolutions**
None
- 16/860 • **Planning matters**

[R18/0032 Clifton Cruisers - Variation of conditions 7 \(construction management in relation to vehicular access and parking\), 15 \(fencing, decking and hardstanding\), 16 \(track road\), 17 \(location of permanent moorings\) and 18 \(mooring location plan\) of planning permission reference number R16/2449 \(Retrospective planning permission for the re-opening of disused canal arm to allow 25 no. additional moorings of which 6 are permanent residential moorings, relocation of ancillary office building, laying of access track and associated works, dated 07 September 2017\), including limited parking provision .](#)

Clerk

A lengthy discussion on the application for the variation in conditions took place between the Members present.
It was reiterated that the Parish Council had made a number of objections on the original applications, and that whilst retrospective permission had been granted by the Rugby Borough Council (the planning authority) a significant number of conditions had been placed on the permission. Ultimately the Planning Inspector had upheld the decision to place the conditions on the development.
The Members expressed concerns about the level of urbanisation associated with the development; roadways, gardens, fencing, signs etc, and believed that the conditions were rightly imposed in order to retain the rural feel of the development.

Clerk

In particular were concerns about the need for a trackway along the length of the canal arm, as there planning permission allowed only 6 residential moorings to be located at the bridge end. It was suggested that other non-residential mooring could be accessed from the Wharf end;

The Members however, recognised that the development has brought employment, tourism and affordable homes to the area. That it is a business in the process of development and transition, which managed correctly within the planning framework could retain and support its rural environment and would be an asset to the area.

It was suggested that the response to the consultation on the planning application could be provided in the form of comments to maintain an open dialogue.

Councillor Robinson proposed that the Parish Council should object to the application for the variation in conditions, but mindful that the planning authority could enable access and egress to the 6 residential boats from the bridge end of the canal arm, and with access to the non-residential boats being provided from the Wharf end.

Councillor Nash second the proposal.

On a show of hands 2 Members abstained from voting.

Councillor Nash therefore used her casting vote (as Chair) to support the proposal to object to the application.

16/861 **RESOLVED: That the Parish Council should object to the application for the variation in conditions, but mindful that the planning authority could enable access and egress to the 6 residential boats from the bridge end of the canal arm, and with access to the non-residential boats being provided from the Wharf end.**

16/862 • **Date of next meeting**

The Parish Council meeting which was due to take place on Monday 4 March has had to be cancelled due to there being no Clerk available for the meeting. The next meeting of the Parish Council will therefore take place Monday 1 April 2019 at 7.30pm

The meeting closed at 8.17 pm

Minutes approved and accepted as correct

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Chair

Dated