BURNHAM THORPE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Extra Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 29th November 2022 at 6.30 pm at The Nelson Memorial Hall, Burnham Thorpe

Present:

Councillors: William James (Chair), Chris Yardley (Vice-Chair), Barbara Linsley, Mima Garland, and Sarah Greenall, Clerk: Sarah Raven

Member of the Public: 0

Welcome by Chairman.

1. Apologies for Absence:

Apologies had been given by Cllr V Southerland (Personal). These were AGREED and ACCEPTED.

2. Minutes of the meeting on 31st October 2022:

The Minutes were circulated before the meeting. It was PROPOSED, SECONDED and AGREED. The Minutes were then signed as a true record by the Chairman, Cllr W James.

3. Declarations of Interest:

Cllr S Greenall and Cllr B Linsley.

4. Public Participation:

None.

5. Planning:

a) Ref: 22/01785/F Proposed is a singular pod for guests along with utilising an existing parking area. The pod will be situated on a small area of land within the site operators's ownership. at Whitehall Farm Walsingham Road Burnham Thorpe King's Lynn Norfolk PE31 8HN - It was PROPOSED, SECONDED and AGREED to submit the following:

The Parish Council would not wish to object to the application unless the issues below cannot be addressed:

- 1. The red line on drawing number: 220427-01-02, encompasses the whole field not just the pod. The red line should be more in proportion to the pod area (drawn tightly around the pod, the access to it, parking area and access from the Highway) and not whole field, as it currently presents a change of use element to the application.
- 2. The lighting referred to in drawing number: 220427-01-08, is shown as a low-level path lighting by Lanea Path Lighting Bollard with PIR sensor. Whilst the PC welcome the use of a PIR activation system for the lighting, they have concerns over the use of this design of lighting unit as it presents outwards, upwards as well as downwards lighting, and therefore would be likely to cause light pollution in what is a dark skies landscape. The lighting should be a downlighter type bollard unit (employing PIR) using a fully enclosed lamp element to emit light downwards only, typically described as per an shielded flat glass, full cut off. The PC would also require that a Condition be applied to any Planning Consent to the effect that if any additional exterior lighting should be proposed on the site, (including Blue Line area), this would require the written agreement of the Local

- Authority and should include the standard NPPF Clause 180c / NCC policy as below to guide the type of lighting that might be acceptable.
- 3. National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) Clause 180c and Norfolk County Council's Environmental Lighting Zones Policy both recognise the importance of preserving dark landscapes and dark skies. In order to minimise light pollution, we recommend that any outdoor lights associated with this proposed development should be:
 - a) fully shielded (enclosed in full cut-off flat glass fitments)
 - b) directed downwards (mounted horizontally to the ground and not tilted upwards)
 - c) switched on only when needed (no dusk to dawn lamps)
 - d) white light low-energy lamps (LED) and not orange or pink sodium sources

Clerk to obtain further information:

- 1. Whether the site has a certificate of designation under the dispensation of the Caravan and Camping Club. Has a certificate been applied for or have a certificate of lawful use for this land been given. What statutory development consents are there on Whitehall Farm land currently under non-agricultural/tourist use? What is the full consent for this land at Whitehall Farm and status of the land.
- 2. What is the long-term plan for the site? i.e., more pods.
- 3. Has Holkham given permission or any interest for this planning application?
- b) To raise the issue of suspending housing delivery provided in the Local Plan until a new hospital is provided.

Discussion regarding the Queen Elizabeth Hospital, King's Lynn is in an appalling state and is dysfunctional and unsafe. The Local Plan is being inspected now. The health service is not reliable and not a functioning hospital it is collapsing and does not supply the needs of the current population. It was discussed that the situation is inadequate. The situation regarding the Local Plan has become apparent after the consultation period. It was AGREED, Cllr C Yardley draft a letter for approval.

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