

TORKSEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES

An Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on
 Tuesday 13th July 2021
 At 7.30pm
 St Peter's Church Torksey

35.01 Those Present.

Cllr F. Bridges.	Chairman.
Cllr S. Johnson.	
Cllr D. Emmott.	
Cllr M. Coult.	
Cllr N. Large.	
Cllr S. Scawthon.	
Cllr Carman-Mobbs.	
Cllr J. Ellis.	District Councillor.
Mr R. Pilgrim.	Parish Clerk.
Members of the public.	12.

35.02 Apologies for Absence.

None required.

35.03 Declarations of Interest.

None received.

35.04 Approval of the Minutes.

Resolved: That the Minutes of the last meeting, held on Tuesday 11th May 2021, be approved as a true record.

Proposed. Seconded. Carried unanimously.

35.05 Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Last Meeting.

Not included in this agenda.

None received.

35.06 (a) Planning Application 143169 Hume Arms Torksey.

The members of the public present at the meeting were all against the approval of the planning application.

Public attendance at the meeting was restricted due to Covid-19 Social Distancing regulations.

No new views were expressed by those members of the public present.

The Parish Council did not approve the application.

Council's response was read out to members of the public.

Please see a copy of Council's comments attached to these Minutes.

35.06 (b) Planning Application LN301 WHP Telecommunications.

The Parish Council has no objections to make at this stage.

The Clerk will contact WHP.

35.07 Parish Church as a Community Hub.

The Parish Council is regarding the suggestion as a definite possibility, given the situation with the proposed Hume Arms Development.

Resolved: That the Clerk will continue to consult with the Church authorities.

Proposed. Seconded. Carried unanimously.

35.08 Purchase of an Extension to the Cemetery.

The Clerk approached Severn Trent to see if land on Sand Lane, which is owned by Severn Trent, could be purchased for cemetery use.

Severn Trent has informed the Parish Council that the land is not for sale.

The Clerk will contact Kinvena Homes for any information which would lead to land which might be available for purchase.

Approval of the Minutes.

Chairman.....Date.....

Response to Planning Application 143169 Hume Arms.

A community space has always been part of the plan for the Hume Arms. However, this has been drastically reduced in the final submission, to a point which makes it almost unusable as a space which members of the community can use effectively.

There is no provision for a WC or servery, two essentials for community use, and a much-reduced space from that offered and discussed at earlier meetings.

Council has some doubts as to whether this plan will be permitted as it exists within a residential unit. The noise and traffic movement generated by its use will be disturbing for residents..

Secondly, the space can only become a Parish amenity if a further planning application is made by the Parish Council. There is therefore no surety that the room will ever be used under present conditions.

The flood risk assessment is little changed from the original submission, which was declared non-compliant by the Environment Agency.

The extension to the original building will use the same finished floor levels as the existing building. However, details of these levels were not included in the Flood Risk Assessment so the suitability of proposed measures to cope with likely flooding in the future cannot be assessed.

The number of dwellings proposed is roughly double the remaining growth allocation and almost three times the allowance given as sustainable within small villages, and contrary to the requirements contained in the West Lindsey District Local Plan.

It was also a big disappointment that a more substantial S106 was not on offer.

R. Pilgrim.

Clerk to Torksey Parish Council.

16th July 2021.