HAWSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL MEETING AT THE VILLAGE HALL ON 17th August 2022 at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllrs P Baker (Chairman), J West, R Alexander, P Barham and C Carr; C Hibbert (Clerk). One member of the public.

Apologies: Cllrs H Brewis and G Rushen.

The filming statement was taken as read.

The meeting started at 7.30pm.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Noted.

2. PUBLIC FORUM

2.1 Public participation.

No matters raised.

3. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

3.1 No declarations of interest were disclosed;

3.2 No dispensations were granted in relation to any identified pecuniary interests.

4. MINUTES FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING DATED 14th JULY 2022.

It was agreed to roll over approval of the minutes from the Parish Council meeting dated 14th July 2022 until the next meeting.

5. PLANNING APPLICATIONS, APPEALS AND NOTIFICATIONS

5.1 DC/22/0695/HH re-consultation in respect of a planning proposal; householder planning application - a. single and two storey front extensions and b. two storey side extension (following demolition of existing building) at Woodlands, The Pound, Hawstead, Suffolk, **IP29 5NJ** The meeting considered this re-consultation and in particular discussed the following; (i) this proposal must be considered separately from the previous planning application DC/20/2212/HH relating to a new cartlodge on the same application site, in relation to which a referral for alleged non-compliance with the landscaping planning conditions has been made to WSC planning enforcement following the removal of trees from the application site; (ii) the size and bulk of the proposed extension is significant (albeit that it needs to be considered in the context of a relatively large plot); (iii) once developed, the extended building will give the impression of a terrace of dwellings which is out of keeping with the surrounding area; (iv) there is some confusion about the authorised layout of the driveway which needs clarification to ensure the access is fit for purpose; (v) the disappointment of this Council by the way in which the distinct character at this point in the village was destroyed following the recent removal of the tree belt between the house and the road (which feature contributed to the green/woodland appearance at this location and also screened the house from the road) and the serious desire of the Council to secure reinstatement of the woodland belt or similar in this location. The Council unanimously AGREED that; (1) it would be prepared to tolerate the significant increased mass and bulk of the proposals on the basis that robust planning conditions requiring reinstatement of the belt of native trees between the property and the road should be imposed and that the planning authority takes action to ensure any planting scheme imposed by means of such planning condition is properly implemented, monitored and enforced - where appropriate - by the planning authority before it formally discharges any relevant planning conditions; and (2) the route of the driveway is clarified as part of any new planning permission.

6. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday 8th September 2022 at 7.30pm.

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The meeting closed at 8.00pm.

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