

# **GREAT HANWOOD PARISH COUNCIL**

## **Minutes of Council Meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> December 2018**

### **At The Cock Inn Function Room, Hanwood at 7.30pm**

**Present:** Cllr. Percival (Chairman), Cllrs. Bromage, Davies, Evans and Lewis

**Absent:** Cllr. Fox

**Clerk:** Mrs R Turner

**Public:** 9

95/1819 **PRESENT & APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies received from Cllr. Fox.

96/1819 **DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

None declared.

97/1819 **DISPENSATION REQUESTS**

None being sought.

98/1819 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION**

The applicant spoke re 18/05388/FUL for a poultry unit. As a family farm they need to diversify to secure farm's future. Have looked into various options but feel free range poultry will have least impact on nearby residents and is in keeping with the farm and maintains open countryside. No storage of manure or food stuffs there. Little risk of pollution, comparable to cattle or sheep being on the field. Noise – building is insulated so acts as a sound barrier. Noise survey done to verify this. Any noise will not be greater than existing background noise locally. Smell – modern design and birds can go out. Larger area for birds to roam. Cleaned out every 3 days and taken away to be stored so ammonia does not build up. A 100,000 broiler unit has been built near Minsterley – 160 metres from a house – have no smell/vermin complaints due to it being a modern building design. Traffic – egg collection every 3 days and feed delivery in 18 tonne lots every 10 days or 28 tonnes every 14 days. Other movements between the holding and the farm – by car, bike and foot. Manure removed weekly. Nutrient plan produced every year (NPK level monitoring). Care taken to keep leeching to a minimum. Will create one full time job and part time jobs. Indirectly secures other work – e.g. agronomist, accountant – impacts circa 20 other businesses. Cllr. Lewis asked if the building is close to Cruckton Road as people objected to this before. The applicant said that there will be a building there but traffic less than with the former dairy farm. A member of the public said that if the application is not allowed, manure will need to be transported via Cruckton. The applicant said that in his opinion this use is best for the open countryside as alternatives such as commercial lets of the buildings will have a higher impact on the road network. The previous application was rejected as the planner was waiting for reports that were needed. Applicant has now done the reports and hence re-submitted. Application includes a passing area at its entrance and room for a pull-in to improve the road. Cllr. Davies asked how slurry going into the Rea Brook will be controlled. The applicant explained that the chicken house is 70 metres long with openings on it. It is well drained (French drainage system) with bark on top to keep it dry and there is a rainwater harvesting and percolation system. Have done a Flood Risk Assessment – the soil drains well. Birds will have 40 acres to roam on it. A member of the public commented that on larger similar developments that the family has there have been no pollution issues. Cllr. Percival asked about the noise assessment – noted that aerial view used is from Google to show nearest dwelling – he asked if this has now altered due to the Shingler's Development. The applicant said the assessment looks at a scenario based on the nearest dwelling so it would therefore also be acceptable for houses further away. Last time, the PC had asked for further EIA and traffic plans before reaching a decision. The applicant said that the application is not large enough to need an EIA. A member of the public said that people in the village seem to have had misinformation re the smell, bearing in mind what has been said by the applicant tonight.

Cllr. Evans read out Pontesbury PC comments – they had objected because:

- Whilst supports farm diversification they need to take account of public concern re amenity and noise and smell.
- Not adjacent to farm buildings and in countryside – will affect character of area and parkland of Cruckton Hall estate. Applicant said if look at development allowed at Cruckton Hall school, this has been extensive and farms in the area have been developed as well. Hence, applicant finds the comments inconsistent. Applicant said it is in countryside as need 20 acres of space and it would otherwise have a public right of way running through it and would be closer to residents.
- Access and highways – incl. proximity to the bridge
- Current policy states should not be within 200 metres of neighbouring houses, concern as some houses closer than this to the development.

99/1819 **MINUTES**

- Minutes dated 30<sup>TH</sup> October 2018 - it was **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes as being a correct record and they were duly signed by the Chairman.
- Minutes dated 27<sup>th</sup> November 2018 – it was **RESOLVED** to make some minor amendments to amend the minutes and approve them at the next meeting.

100/1819 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR COMMENT**

- 18/05045/FUL - Maits Rest, Orchard Lane, Hanwood, Shrewsbury, SY5 8LE  
Proposal: Erection of a single storey extension with associated raised patio  
Comments: It was **RESOLVED** to support the application.
- 18/05388/FUL - Proposed Poultry Unit North Of Cruckmeole Farm, Cruckmeole, Shrewsbury, Shropshire  
Proposal: Erection of a free-range egg production unit for 16,000 birds including silos and all associated works (re-submission)  
Comments: It was **RESOLVED** to make no comment.
- Woodlands Avenue, Hanwood  
Comments: It was **RESOLVED** to support the application as it will not have an adverse impact on surrounding houses.

101/1819 **PARISH MATTERS**

- War memorial display board location*  
Defer to January. Cllr. Percival to arrange a meeting with Richard Greenwell to discuss board location and where to put the memorial bench he is donating.

102/1819 **CARADOC PLAY AREA – RoSPA and MAINTENANCE MATTERS**

- RoSPA report* – quotes from Landright Services for repairs to the play ship and removal of the rotten trim trail were approved, the trim trail being beyond economical repair. It was noted that Sovereign had been uncooperative re repairs to their equipment, claiming that the warranty was invalid as inspections are fortnightly not weekly – the clerk was asked to write to Sovereign offering a site meeting and objecting to the change of warranty terms and seek to recover the costs incurred due to having to repair equipment that should have been under warranty

103/1819 **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

- Q2 bank reconciliation and budget report* – noted as per Appendix 1.
- Draft budget 2019/20* – the clerk was asked to calculate the budget based on £27,500 precept or the precept being the same for the households as for 2018/19 and to bring this back to the January meeting for consideration
- Payments including payments made between meetings* – it was **RESOLVED** that payment for the repairs to the play area, in accordance with the quote, can be made as soon as they are completed satisfactorily
- Banking – review of current arrangements* – forms to be brought to January meeting for signing

104/1819 **CORRESPONDENCE – to note and consider response**

- Environmental Maintenance Grant* – it was **RESOLVED** to apply for the following activities and seek a quote from Landright Services for the grounds maintenance items (i.e. everything apart from the purchase of litter bins):

## **2018/19**

- Footpaths along main road (Hanwood Bank to Hanwood) – cutting overhanging hedges and clearing footpath edges- one cut/clearance
- Litter picking along main road – once
- Post Office Lane – hedge and clean steps - once per annum - Hedge £300, steps jet washed £100
- Cut hedge by H pole opposite the shop adj to Weir Road junction – once per annum - £50
- Purchase of 2 litter bins – for bottom of Oaklands View and footpath by St Thomas School

## **2019/20 and 2020/21**

- Footpaths along main road (Hanwood Bank to Hanwood) – cutting overhanging hedges and clearing footpath edges - twice per annum cut/clearance
- Litter picking along main road – twice per annum
- Post Office Lane – hedge and clean steps - once per annum Cut hedge by H pole opposite the shop adj. to Weir Road junction - once per annum

### **105/1819 NEXT MEETING**

- a) Date and time-22<sup>nd</sup> January 2019, 7.30pm, St Thomas Community Room, Hanwood*
- b) Items for agenda- to note requests*  
None.