



# Landford Parish Council

**Minutes of the Extraordinary General Meeting held on 26 April 2021 at 7:15pm**

**Held by video conference** (in order to protect the health and safety of councillors and members of the public during the COVID-19 pandemic)

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Councillors present: Nik Bishop (NB) - Chair, Ken Parker (KP), David Wilson (DW), John Bonney (JB), Geoff Hewson (GH), Damien Swancott (DS), Rachael Stanton (RS), Cllr Glen Keirl

Plus: Melanie Camilleri (MC) – Clerk/RFO, Steve Avery (Executive Director Strategy & Planning NFNPA), Clare Ings (Senior Planning Officer NFNPA), Cllr Leo Randall (Wiltshire Council), Cllr Sue Bennison (Local Authority Appointee NFNPA), and twenty eight members of the public

**68/21 Apologies for Absence:** Cllr Joy Proctor

**69/21 Declarations of interest:** None

**70/21 Minutes:** The Minutes of the Parish Council's Meeting held on **14 April 2021** were approved

**71/21 Public Forum**

**72/21 Green Hill Farm Holiday Village**

NB welcomed Steve Avery (Executive Director Strategy & Planning NFNPA) and Clare Ings (Senior Planning Officer NFNPA).

Steve Avery delivered a brief presentation on the history of planning applications and decisions over the passage of time – starting from 06/91026 and 07/91118 when NFNPA withdrew their Enforcement Notice (on the weight of evidence and balance of probability, the site would be immune from enforcement), and an application for Certificate of Lawfulness was made and granted.

NB expressed concern that the Parish Council had not been informed by NFNPA about many of the planning developments at Greenhill and asked that this did not happen in the future. Clare Ings noted this and said that their policy had changed and in future the Parish Council would be kept informed.

MC read out questions and statements submitted by members of the public in advance of the meeting. Steve Avery and Clare Ings responded to each question in turn.

Mr Raoul Fraser of Lovat Parks (attending the meeting as a member of the public) was invited by NB to respond to questions where he was in the best position to do so.

A number of members of the public raised further questions and points after the list of questions read out by MC that were responded to by Steve Avery, Clare Ings, and Raoul Fraser. NB welcomed any further comments or concerns to be raised with the Parish Council in the future.

In summary:-

- Steve Avery and Clare Ings confirmed which areas lawful planning has taken place and which areas they are currently investigating (identified following NFNPA's site visit 22 April 2021). The outcome of their investigation will follow
- Mr Raoul Fraser confirmed he is co-operating fully with NFNPA and invited members of the public to contact him if they wish to visit the site.

NB thanked Steve Avery, Clare Ings, Mr Raoul Fraser, and members of the public for their involvement in this Q&A.

**73/21 To consider Planning Application 21/00238 (deferred from the 14 April 2021 meeting)**

Site: Camping and Caravan Site, Green Hill Farm, New Road, Landford, SP5 2AZ

Proposal: Dining tent

Observation date: 30 April 2021

After a short discussion on the application, voting took place by a show of hands. Resolved unanimously to recommend REFUSAL, for the reasons listed below, but would accept the decision reached by the National Park Authority's Officers under their delegated powers.

As an unnatural feature within close proximity of SAC, SSSI, SPA and Ramsar sites, the proposed dining tent would have an adverse impact on the landscape. During evenings and night times, the lightweight fabric roof and cladding may allow artificial light to penetrate to the outside, in addition to the light from the windows and the open sided area. It is likely that the tent facility would be illuminated continuously outside of daylight hours and may require external lighting to highlight the route to and from the facility.

*NB and GH abstained from voting; forfeiting their vote.*

**74/21 Date of the next meeting**

It was agreed the date of the **Annual Parish Council Meeting** for **Landford Parish Council** will be held on **Wednesday 12 May 2021 at 7:15pm** by **Video Conference**

Being no further business, NB closed the meeting at 9:15pm.

**DRAFT MINUTES TO BE SIGNED AT THE NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**