



## **Doddiscombsleigh Parish Council**

### **Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting held on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> July 2019 at 7.30pm in Doddiscombsleigh Church**

#### **Present:**

Cllr E Davis (Chairman for the first and second agenda item), Cllr L Turney (present and Chairman from the third agenda item), Cllr H Hanson, Cllr S Burdge and 4 members of the public  
Clerk: A Miller

The councillors who were present elected Cllr Davis to chair the meeting until the Chairman of the Parish Council arrived. **Proposed** Cllr Hanson **Seconded** Cllr Burdge All agreed

- 1 **Apologies for Absence** – Cllr Hornby and Cllr Moorhouse
- 2 **Declarations of Interest / Requests for Dispensations** – None

**Open Forum:** no questions were raised.

#### **3 Planning Application: 19/01168/FUL**

Location: Land off Down Lane

Proposal: Change of use of land from agriculture to equine and erection of stable building including tack room and construction of a menage

Cllr Turney arrived and chaired the meeting from agenda item 3.

The applicant, who was present, explained that there is currently a stable on the property but it is small and it is not in a good condition. The land is already used for equine purposes and their agent suggested to apply for change of use permission from agricultural to equine. They will maintain and resurface the access track, which is not in a good condition now.

The Council discussed the application and decided to make no observations.

**Proposed** Cllr Davis **Seconded** Cllr Burdge All agreed

#### **4 Planning Application: 19/01303/MAJ**

Location: Batts Brook

Proposal: Demolition of existing agricultural buildings and construction of stables and all-weather riding arena

The Council discussed the application and the following points were raised.

- **Lights.** There are 24 skylights on the proposed building. It is a big glass area and there are concerns that the building will illuminate the dark sky. The scale of the light pollution is a concern.
- **Size:** the proposed arena might be the biggest building in the village. There are concerns whether the building would dominate the landscape.
- **Visual impact.** The elevations show the building from a horizontal point of view. In reality, the nearby road runs above the field where the building would stand. From a higher position the building would be more visible than the horizontal drawings

suggest. Careful consideration is needed to assess the full visual impact of the proposed building.

The Council decided to raise concerns regarding the scale, lighting and visual impact of the proposed building with the planning authority.

**Proposed** Cllr Turney **Seconded** Cllr Davis All agreed

**5 Approval of Expenditure**

Donation to the church £10.00

**Proposed** Cllr Turney **Seconded** Cllr Hanson All agreed

**6 Clerk's Correspondence**

Following the presentation of the Teign Valley Hall representative about the refurbishment project at the last Parish Council meeting, a member of the public, Tony Porter, volunteered to represent Doddiscombsleigh during the project. The Council was delighted to hear about the offer and to have a parish representative in the Teign Valley Hall refurbishment project.

**7 Chairman's Remarks** – The Chairman thanked everyone for their participation.

**8 Date of Next Meeting** – Thursday 12 September 2019

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.07 pm.

Signed.....

Chairman

Date