

Tisbury Parish Council – Minutes of Interim Meeting
 Tuesday 17th June 2014 in the Elizabeth Hall, Tisbury at 6:30pm

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14.06.36	<p>Present: P.Cnllrs P. Duffy (Chairman), D. Carroll (Vice-Chairman – from 6:55pm), Mrs J. Amos, J. Berkley-Matthews (from 6:55pm), Mrs P. Chave, Miss F. Corp, A. Griffin, M. McGrath (until 7:40pm), Mrs A. West, D. Wood – 10.</p> <p>Also in attendance: WCnllr T. Deane; up to 2 members of the public; Mrs S. Harry (Clerk – until 7:40pm).</p> <p>Apologies received and accepted: P.Cnllr Ms J. Ings; P.Cnllrs D. Carroll and J. Berkley-Matthews for lateness; NPT Officer.</p> <p>Not present: n/a</p>
14.06.37	<p>Dispensations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. declarations of disclosable pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests already declared in the Register of Interests: P.Cnllr Mrs J. Amos as member of TAG making use of Nadder Hall facilities. b. declarations of disclosable pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests not previously declared in the Register of Interests: none.
14.06.38	<p>Public Participation and Presentations:</p> <p>A West Tisbury resident (Mrs Lacey) spoke to those present raising issues on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. User needs not being dealt with in the most effective way; especially with respect to refurbishment and rebuilding techniques, b. Lack of apparent recognition with respect to recycling of materials and items currently on site, c. Confirmation that an information day for local builders would be held, d. Issues with heat conservation and re-use; in particular with the sports centre and the main entrance door that had no lobby space / double door system, and e. The lack of new technology for heat generation, even income generation, using photo-voltaic cells and solar panels.
14.06.39	<p>Consideration of Planning Application:</p> <p>The Chairman began the discussion by proposing that an informal vote be taken to give a broad indication of P.Cnllrs views and this was agreed. P.Cnllrs were generally in support of the application subject to conditions being imposed in the following areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. That a minimum of 70 car parking spaces be available, as originally planned, with overflow parking being made available at the proposed wildflower meadow, especially as there was a wildflower meadow already in existence very close by. ii. Recycling of items and salvage of building materials to be maximized; in particular the grand piano and entrance hall tapestry. iii. Various environmental concerns were raised: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. The lack of any heat retention system at the main entrance doors and the requirement for a heat lobby. b. The lack of photo-voltaic cells and solar panels – the use of which over 25years would surely be a very economical proposition. c. The financial viability of a bio-mass boiler (with the long term maintenance costs) when the extensive ground works taking place would be ideal for a ground source heat pump alternative. iv. The maintenance obligations of the site boundary planting must be fully recognised, and the use of poisonous plants should be questioned with respect to viburnum opulus and

	honeysuckle in areas frequented by children.	
	v. Concern was expressed that proper account for site drainage had not taken place for a combined loading of both the proposed Campus and Hindon Lane development of 90 houses.	
	vi. Consideration should be given to on-site low speed limits to ensure children's safety and also the potential for use of traffic calming, e.g. speed humps and maybe even 1-way sections. Access roads, i.e. Wyndham Place and Weaveland Road should have lowered speed limits.	
	vii. The stated comparative traffic movements appeared to reflect a period when the site was used as a school and this needs to be put into a current context.	
	viii. The initial community consultation indicated that a shuttle bus up to the site from the village centre would be operational, but this does not appear to form a part of the current application.	
	ix. P.Cnllrs would welcome an assurance that High Speed Broadband will be available on the campus site as a whole and also throughout the village; super-fast broadband has been mooted in the past and many businesses and residents would be bitterly disappointed if this was not available as a benefit to the community concurrent with the campus development.	
7.40 pm	[The Clerk was unwell and obliged to leave the meeting; minutes for the rest of the meeting were taken by Cllr Mrs J Amos. Cllr M McG also left the meeting at this time]	
	x. The meeting continued with some discussion regarding the present location of the proposed new skate park and whether or not the building of the Campus might present an opportunity to find a more appropriate location for the skate park, away from nearby residential properties. It was therefore resolved to ask that consideration should be given to the possibility of incorporating the skate park within the site of the new Campus.	
	xi. Motor-cycle project - Councillors were concerned that the motorcycle project should continue. However, it was suggested that proposals in the planning application to refurbish the old agricultural buildings for improved accommodation for the motor-cycle project should be reconsidered. It was felt that the position of the existing sheds in close proximity to the new housing estate would attract complaints from residents regarding the noise. The planning application affords an opportunity to consider demolishing the old sheds and replacing them with new, more cost effective provision, at a more suitable distance away from the houses.	
	xii. Alterations to Nadder Hall and the loss of the existing stage facilities, to be replaced with portable staging - there was considerable debate regarding the proposed alterations to the old assembly hall which would reduce the size and capacity of the hall by approximately 1/3. Councillors appreciated the rationale for the proposed changes, based on evidence from the analysis of bookings. It was suggested that the planning application affords an opportunity to improve and enhance the existing provision, rather than remove it. Cllr AG commented that, in his opinion, the parish council should not oppose the proposed changes to Nadder Hall, as this alone could jeopardise the whole project. However, after further discussion on this one point, it was resolved that the parish council should express concern at the reduction of the size of the hall - 5 in	

	<p>favour; 4 against. [The outcome of the vote led to a vociferous challenge from Cllr Corp that the council's resolution was inadmissible (ie Cllr FC considered the vote was unconstitutional, because 1) Cllr McGrath had left the meeting and 2) the chairman had voted). The Chairman made it clear that the vote had been taken in accordance with standing orders; the meeting was still quorate and in the event of a 50:50 split, the chairman has the casting vote. Therefore, the outcome of the vote would have been exactly the same whether or not the chairman had voted. This led to further noisy debate. The Chairman adjourned the meeting for 5 minutes, asking Cllr Corp to calm down.</p> <p>The meeting reconvened at 8.05 pm.</p> <p>Cllr AG asked the Chairman to accept his apologies that his comment before the vote had potentially led to such disagreement amongst the council. The Chairman accepted the apology. Discussions continued regarding the rest of the planning application.]</p> <p>xiii. Brick Façade - Councillors considered Mrs Lacey's comments regarding proposals for the insulation of the building - i.e. insulation materials to be clad on the outside, thereby losing the existing brick façade. After discussion, it was felt on balance that a rendered finish would be reasonably acceptable.</p>	
14.06.40	<p>Response Confirmation: There being no other points for discussion, the Chairman summarised the points which had been discussed, for inclusion in the response to planning department, as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Car parking - increase provision from 58 to 70 • The 'meadow' to be made suitable for occasional use for overflow parking • Existing equipment and materials inside the building to be offered to the village for retention, safe-keeping (tapestry) and/or recycling into other locations • Environmental issues <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Creation of a draft lobby ○ Use of PVs and/or solar heating ○ Use of heat recovery in the sports centre ○ Consideration of ground source heat pumps ○ Confirmation of the long-term viability if the decision is to stay with bio-mass ○ Trees on the boundaries to be maintained as hedgerows and not allowed to grow without proper maintenance ○ Planting to exclude non-native species and those with poisonous berries unsuitable in locations where children are present ○ Confirmation of the adequacy of the drainage systems • Access <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 20 mph limits to be imposed on access roads ○ Safety of children on site to be paramount ○ Circulation of traffic on site to be restricted by effective measures to reduce speed eg speed bumps • Skate park - consider viability of incorporating the proposed skate park within the curtilage of the campus site • Motorcycle project to be moved to new premises further away from the houses and the existing buildings to be demolished • Nadder Hall - consideration to be given to retention of the existing facilities <p>The Chairman asked for a proposal regarding the council's response to the planning</p>	

	application, as above. It was proposed (Cllr J B-M; 2 nd Cllr JA) that the application should be supported subject to the comments and conditions, as discussed during the meeting. 5 in favour; 4 against.	Clerk
14.06.41	<p>Additional discussion: Cllr AG commented that it was important that the viability of the whole project should not be jeopardised by the suggestion that the existing hall facilities should be retained. This led to further debate regarding the propensity for the council to present a more united response. It was therefore proposed (Cllr AG; 2nd AW) that the application should be supported subject to comments and conditions as discussed, but without objection or comment regarding the loss of the Nadder Hall facilities. This vote was supported: 4 in favour; 1 against; 3 abstentions. The chairman did not vote.</p> <p>It was further resolved (proposed Cllr JB-M; 2nd JA 5 in favour; 4 against) that the parish council should submit a side letter expressing 'disappointment' that a way could not have been found to retain and enhance the existing hall facilities, rather than removing them.</p> <p>Cllr FC asked that the draft of the minutes should be circulated before the response is submitted to Wiltshire Council planning department.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Mrs JA</p> <p>Clerk</p>
14.06.42	<p>Date of next meeting Full meeting - Tuesday 1st July 2014 at 7pm. Plus further meetings as advised.</p>	
14.06.43	a. Exclusion of the Public and Press - that under the Public Bodies (Admission to meetings) Act 1960 (as extended by s.100 of the LGA 1972), the public and accredited representatives of newspapers be excluded from the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part I of Schedule 12A of the LGA 1972 - no items.	
There being no other business the meeting closed at 8:30pm.		

Note re: Tisbury Swimming Pool

Cllr Deane asked the Chairman for an opportunity to report to the parish council re a recent meeting regarding Tisbury swimming pool. A meeting had been held on 13th June 2014 at which there had been representatives of:

- Wiltshire Council
 - Tisbury Amateur Swimming Club
 - Tisbury Parish Council
- and Cllr Deane

It had been agreed as follows:

- The pool is in need of substantial enhancement, as detailed by an independent report commissioned by Wiltshire Council
- The works will take several months to complete, therefore in 2015 the pool will open for a short season (May to Sept) after which the refurbishment works will commence
- The pool will re-open in May 2016. Refurbishment will include provision for a roof to be installed in the future, if required
- The total cost will be in the region of £600,000 - of which £200,000 will be contributed by the parish council from the Section 106 monies accruing from the Hindon lane development. The balance of funds will be included from monies set aside for the Campus.