

Osmington Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 11th April 2023 at 7.00pm

Present: Cllr Mr N Ireland (Chairman and DC Councillor), Cllr. Mrs H Ballard, Cllr Mrs F Groves, Cllr Mrs S Miller and Cllr Mr V White.

Also in attendance: Miss Leigh Johnson (Clerk) and three members of the public.

27/23 Public Participation Time

A resident attended to raise concerns regarding planning application P/FUL/2023/01223 – The Sly Fox. Although the stables and cottage would be developed sympathetically, it was felt that conditions should be imposed to link these properties to the pub, as an income stream, to allow for the pub to be successful and viable in the long term. It was noted that although the pub had air conditioning and it was stated that no windows or doors would be open during the summer, this did not mitigate noise from the garden.

A resident commented that the pub as it is, is too big with huge running costs and mostly seasonal trade.

28/23 Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors P Botham and C Dempsey.

29/23 Declarations of Interest and Grants of Dispensation

Councillor Ireland declared a personal interest in agenda item 5 as a member of The Osmington Society and trustee of the New Friends of St. Osmund's and left the meeting during its consideration.

Councillor White declared a personal interest in agenda item 5 as a trustee of the Village Hall and a member of Phoenix Fundraisers and left the meeting during its consideration.

30/23 Planning Matters

The following planning application/s were considered: -

Application No: P/FUL/2023/01223 – The Sly Fox, Main Road, Osmington, DT3 6EU - Change of use and conversion of existing buildings to residential, change of use of land to domestic curtilage with new boundary walls, associated parking, opening a new pedestrian access onto Preston Road and associated works to wall fronting highway. Alterations to the public house including: demolish an area of flat roofing and associated walls, demolition of a northern ground floor bay, the replacement of the dilapidated orangery, extension to the terrace, the relocation of the patron entrance to the public house. Provision of a new pedestrian exit onto Preston Road.

Although the Parish Council did not object to this application it was **resolved** to submit the following comments;

1. Concern was raised regarding the safety of the proposed pedestrian access footpath to Preston Road, especially in relation to the proximity of the play area to the footpath. The lack of access to the cottage was also raised.
2. It was requested that the cottage be linked to the pub as an income stream.

3. The issue of parking was raised and it was noted that there was no parking shown for the pub itself.

31/23 Parish Amenities

Councillor Ireland provided an update regarding the recent speed surveys that had been undertaken and a proposal to purchase a new updated Speed Indicator Device.

It was **resolved** that a new Speed Indicator Device and two solar charging panels be purchased at a cost of £3095.00 plus vat and delivery.

32/23 Finance

In the absence of both the Chairman and Vice Chairman, Councillor Miller was elected Chairman for this item.

Members considered an application for grant funding to assist with the running costs of the proposed Coronation Village Party.

It was **resolved** that a grant of £245.00 be awarded for the event.

The meeting ended at 7.37pm.

Chairman

Date