

Minutes of Great Witchingham Parish Council

Minutes of an Extra-ordinary **Meeting of the Parish Council** held on Monday 6th February 2023 at 5.00pm in Great Witchingham Village Hall.

Present: Cllrs S Acloque, P Banks, R Middleton (chair), B Wright (part).

Clerk: Mrs Sarah Hunt

County Councillor Greg Peck and District Councillor P Bulman.

1 Apologies.

Cllrs: P Brown – alternative commitment. T Buckenham – unavailable.

2 Minutes.

The Full Council minutes dated 19th January 2023 were AGREED as a true and correct record and signed by the Chair.

3 Declarations of Interest.

None.

4 Public Participation and Reports.

- 4.1 County Councillor Greg Peck reported that a public consultation is imminent with regard to the County deal. This would ensure government funding, and the Norfolk leader would be an elected position.

Cllr Bridget Wright entered the meeting.

- 4.2 District Councillor Peter Bulman reported that there will be no precept increase from District for 2023/24.

5. Items for next agenda.

Grass Cutting contract 2023/24

Report of comments on following planning application:

20221563 – Foxford Cottage, Heath Lane, Great Witchingham NR9 5QL. Erection of 25 ground mounted solar panels to serve existing dwelling and all associated works.

Amendment. Councillors acknowledged that efforts had been made to address previous comments. Response: That the hedging will not eliminate the impact on the neighbouring properties visual amenity – the hedging itself will now impact their amenity and it should be a condition that it be kept to a maximum height and be well maintained. In addition concerns were expressed with regard to the positioning of the hedging – this to be planted well within the property boundary so that expansive growth remains on the property and does not impact on nearby roadways. Hedging not to be on boundary line.

6. Dates of next meeting:

March 23rd 7pm – Village Hall

It was RESOLVED to exclude the press and public under the (Admission to meetings) Act 1960 in consideration of the following item due to the confidential nature of the item.

7. Staffing matters.

7.1 To receive staffing update. Cllr P Banks

7.2 To decide and agree future actions.

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