

BARTON BENDISH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of an Extraordinary Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 12th April 2023 commencing at 7.30pm in Barton Bendish Village Hall

Present: Cllr W Chapman (Chairman), Cllr R Simon, Cllr P Swallow (Vice-Chairman), Cllr S Tilburn, Cllr T Webster, Cllr D Wells.

Sharon Sweet - Parish Clerk

17 members of the public were in attendance

1. Apologies for absence

Cllr A Wells.

2. Declaration of Interest

None.

3. Minutes of the last Ordinary Meeting on 8th March 2023

The minutes of the ordinary Parish Council Meeting on 8th March 2023, having been circulated to all prior to the meeting, were **AGREED** as correct. The Chairman signed the minutes.

4. Public forum for residents to comment on agenda items

Numerous members of the public addressed the Council with their concerns regarding the licence application for Abbey Barns. Concerns raised included:

- the Noise Management Plan submitted for planning consent was more restrictive than the licencing application now being made;
- when the planning application was made it was for a wedding venue however the licence application states an events venue which could result in the venue being much busier;
- there is a difference between the operating hours and days on planning application hours and the licence application days and hours now being requested;
- traffic leaving Abbey Barns at 2am 7 days per week would cause noise nuisance for residents.

All members of the public who addressed the Council objected to the licence application.

5. To receive information from the Borough Council of King's Lynn and West Norfolk regarding the new premises licence for Abbey Barns, Beachamwell Road, Barton Bendish, PE33 9FW and to agree any representations to be made

There followed a lengthy and constructive discussion, the Chairman permitted members of the public to participate in the discussions.

Members of the Council concluded discussions with the following motion. It was **AGREED** to **OBJECT** to the application for a new premise licence for Abbey Barns, Beachamwell Road, Barton Bendish and to submit the 2 following representations to the Licencing Department at the Borough Council:

- 1) The Parish Council request the Noise Management Plan from the planning consent (19/01789/F) is adhered to in its entirety.
- 2) The Parish Council consider the licencing application for a licence until 2pm 7 days per week to be excessive and the Parish Council request the Licencing Department consider placing restrictions set to an earlier time.

The Chairman asked the Clerk to make Borough Councillor C Sampson aware of the representations of the Parish Council.

Meeting closed: 8.50pm

Chairman's signature.....

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