Brampton Ash Parish Council  
Minutes of the Extra Meeting of the Parish Council  
Monday 18 February 2019, 7.30pm At St Mary’s Church, Brampton Ash

This meeting was open to members of the public, subject to prescribed regulations where applicable.  
This meeting was recorded in accordance with the parish council’s protocol.

Present (Parish Councillors)  
Cllr S Power (Chair)   Cllr N Bevan   Cllr T Hilliard   Cllr J Lillie  
In Attendance: Liz Evans (Clerk)  
Public Attendee(s) 2 Parishioners (the applicants)  

61/18-19 Chair’s Announcements  
An inspection of parish council’s assets was arranged in order to fulfil insurance arrangements. The outcome would be reported back to the parish council meeting to be held 19 March 2019.  

62/18-19 Apologies for Absence  
Apologies for absence due to a prior commitment were received from Cllr W Brooks and accepted by the parish council.

63/18-19 Declarations of Interest: To Receive Disclosures of Personal and Prejudicial Interests from Councillors On Matters to Be Considered at the Meeting.  
No disclosures of interest were recorded.

64/18-19 Planning Matters:  
To Consider Matters Relating to Planning Applications in and Adjacent to the Parish

Public Representations:  
In accordance with the Parish Council’s Standing Orders Section 1, items d – k, members of the public may make representations relating to the following planning application for a period of 3 minutes, subject to the Chair’s discretion.

KET/2018/0935 Mr T Pentlow  
Erection of a small stable block consisting of 2 no. stables and 1 no. ancillary store at Hermitage Road (land to rear of 2-18), Brampton Ash, LE16 8PE  
Details can be found at the following link:  
https://www.kettering.gov.uk/planningApplication/128557  
Paper copies are available from the clerk to the parish council on request.

The applicants attended the meeting and discussed the following points with parish councillors:

1. Height & Visibility of the Buildings  
Councillors were concerned that the siting of the proposed buildings was high above the road and this would make them visually dominant in the rural landscape of the conservation area, as well as presenting a possible security issue. It was, therefore, suggested that the site for the buildings could be dug out to a depth of approximately 60cms in order to lower the height of the buildings from 3.1m to 2.5m and thereby reduce their visual impact.

Although the applicants did not consider that the height of the buildings would be higher than the existing boundary trees they agreed to consider this suggestion,
subject to the cost implications of doing so.

2. **Access to the Public Footpath**
The applicants agreed to the suggestion that access to the public footpath should be via a ‘kissing’ gate, rather than a stile: this would facilitate easier access for members of the public.

3. **Personal Use of the Site & Buildings**
The applicants agreed that the site and buildings would be for personal (non-commercial) use only.

4. **Hedge Bordering Hermitage Road**
The applicants agreed that the hedge bordering the site and Hermitage Road would be retained as a natural barrier.

The clerk would advise Kettering Borough Council planning department of the above points.

It was further noted that:

a) The applicants had received no comments from the occupiers of neighbouring property.

b) Drainage would be via a soakaway.

c) It was intended that rainwater would be recycled to serve the site.

d) The existing surface on the site is a temporary construction: this was a stipulation of an earlier planning application (made by others) so that there would be no precedent for access to a permanent development in the future.

The latest date for comments to Kettering Borough Council on this application is 21st February 2019.

| 65/18-19 | Date and Venue of Next Meeting:  
Tuesday 19th March 2019, 7.30pm at the parish church |

**The meeting closed at 7.55pm**

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