

# North Wootton Parish Council



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**Minutes of the Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting of North Wootton Parish Council held in The Guinevere Suite at The Crossways Inn on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2020.**

**PRESENT** Cllr S Shimmin (Chairman), Cllr A Bovey, Cllr K Bissett, Cllr M Hoddinott and Cllr M Smith

Three members of the public were also present.

The Chairman opened the meeting at 19.30.

**1. Apologies for absence**

Apologies were received from the clerk, Ms H Brinton.

**2. Declarations of interest**

Cllr Hoddinott declared an interest in the second planning matter. It was agreed he could remain in the discussion to answer questions from the other councillors.

**3. Planning Matters**

Standing orders were suspended to allow members of the public to speak on both applications on the agenda and then reinstated to allow members to debate the proposals.

The first application, 2020/0030/VRC to lift the agricultural tie on Green Acres on Barrow Lane, had already been discussed at the meeting on 7<sup>th</sup> January but a decision had been deferred to give more time for public consideration and possible comment. Councillors noted that both immediate neighbours had subsequently lodged comments in favour of the application. In the light of this and the information provided to the earlier meeting by the applicant, councillors decided to recommend that MDC should approve the application.

The second application, for extensions to the dairy unit at Barrow Hill Farm on Launcherley Lane, had also been briefly discussed at the earlier meeting. Most councillors had subsequently visited the site and had been provided with additional information on the background to and benefits of the proposal. However, at the time of the meeting the application had not been formally registered by MDC and so the council had not been formally approached for its views. Nevertheless, councillors agreed to discuss the proposal and formulate their views so a recommendation could be made as and when the council is consulted.

After hearing further details of the reasons for the proposal and its potential business and environmental benefits, councillors agreed that it should have their support.

**4. Date of next Meeting – 17<sup>th</sup> March 2020**

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 20.00.

Chairman's signature.....