

## BOWNESS ON SOLWAY PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of the Council held at 7.00pm on Wednesday, 31<sup>st</sup> August 2022, in Lindow Hall, Bowness on Solway

#### PRESENT

Chair: Pauline Hinks

Councillors: Marion Carruthers, Malcolm Coates, David Evans, James Graham (Vice Chair), John Harrington, David Hutton, Carol Mark and Wilson Reay

Clerk: Peter Streatfeild

Public attendance: 21

#### 1. Apologies for absence and declarations of interest.

Apologies were received from Cllr John Wills. No declarations of interest were declared.

#### 2. To suspend the standing orders for this meeting only. All AGREED.

#### 3. Planning

##### 3.1 Application for Discussion at this Meeting

**FUL/2022/0111 - Amended plans – Change of use of land to create a public car park and holiday lets use for accommodation, and erection of communal block and bin store, demolition of barn and replacement with micro-brewery and widening of site access. Land adjacent to Bowness House Farm, Bowness on Solway, Wigton CA7 5AF.**

The floor was opened to the public for discussion of the amended plans during which many questions were put to Mr Ian Hunter, the proprietor of Bowness House Farm. After a long discussion and detailed answers from Mr Hunter wherein he assured the councillors and public regarding the following issues:

- i. The public will be allowed to use the car parking facilities for a charge – there will be some minor changes in the layout to reduce cars' head lights shining into nearby homes
- ii. The public will be allowed to use the toilet facilities for a charge – there will be a change in the layout of the communal block
- iii. At the suggestion of the planning department the communal block will probably have a pitched roof in place of the proposed flat roof
- iv. The sewage outlets from the toilet block and the shepherd huts will be attached to existing sewage drains – a survey of the drains will be carried out by a specialist team on Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> September 2022. If the drains are not large enough to cope with the outflow a pumping station will be installed at the bottom of the field to pump the wastewater to the top of the site. Mr Hunter also assured members of the public that the maintenance and repairs of all wastewater drains are the responsibility of United Utilities
- v. Regarding a question about lights Mr Hunter reported that low level lighting will be used which will be operated by sensor motion switches

At this juncture the Chair called the meeting to order and reminded the councillors that a response had to be submitted to Allerdale Borough Council.

It was **proposed** to

- i. **Approve** the removal of the four lodges and moving of the four shepherd huts in their places by **Seven** councillors with **one** abstention and **one** objection
- ii. **Approve** the Toilet/Communal Block amendments as shown on the plan by **eight** councillors with **one** objection
- iii. **Approve** the widening of the entrance as recommended by the Highways Department **nem con**
- iv. **Reiterate** the Council's continued **reservations** regarding the proposed drainage of wastewater on the site **nem con**

#### 4. Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be held at 7.00pm on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2022 in the Lindow Hall

Meeting closed at 7.48pm