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HAMPTON BISHOP PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of an Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting held on
Friday 19th April 2024 at 19.00 in the Village Hall

Present

Councillors: Steve Hunt (Chair), Jamie Rogers (Vice Chair), Alistair McHarg, Julia Pearson and Brendyn Rousseau.

In attendance: Parish Clerk – Lynda Wilcox and 43 members of the public.

1. Apologies for absence ... There were none.

It was noted that the Ward Councillor, Graham Biggs, had a prior earlier engagement and would therefore be late.

2. Declarations of interest & written requests for dispensation ... There were none.

3. Planning:

3.1 Comments on planning application:

- 3.1.1 P240422/F Land to the East of Hereford South of Ledbury Road (A438) Hereford.
Outline planning application for the demolition of existing buildings and structures and the erection of up to 350 dwellings (including affordable housing), a farm shop and café, employment workspaces, and land for a potential primary school, along with associated parking, access roads, walking and cycling routes, public open space, landscaping, sustainable urban drainage and other associated works, site clearance and infrastructure. All matters reserved except access, which is partially reserved, with detailed approval sought for the primary vehicular site access via the A438.

It was noted that over 500 negative responses had already been submitted on Herefordshire Council's website, mainly in relation to the adverse impact on the adjacent Lugg Meadows SSSI.

The Chair noted the strength of opposition from local residents and had received concerns about the Lugg Meadows SSSI, visual impact, road safety, school & hospital capacity etc.

The Chair asked all councillors to give their individual view on the application which resulted in unanimous opposition.

It was therefore RESOLVED that the Parish Council would engage planning consultants, Kirkwells, to identify key national, county and parish planning policies to enable the Parish Council to submit a robust objection to the application by the end of April, as agreed with the relevant Herefordshire Council Planning Officer.

4. Date of next scheduled meeting ... Noted as 23rd May 2024.

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