

THE BOURTONS PARISH COUNCIL
DRAFT Minutes of the Extra-Ordinary Council meeting held in the Community Hall on
Tuesday December 11th 2024 at 19:30

In attendance : Cllr Mrs S Upton (Chairman), Cllr A Johnson, Cllr Mrs G Duckworth, Cllr Mrs J Beales, Stephen Bowen (Clerk), Mrs R Pheasey (RFO) ; **Apologies :** Cllr Mrs G Brooks (prior commitment), Cllr S Martin (holiday), DCllr Mr P Chapman & DCllr C Brant (both CDC business).
Declarations of Interest : none declared
Public Participation : 2 members of the public in attendance

Minute Ref	Item	Delegated to
2412-00	Public participation	
2412-00.175	The issue which was raised by attending members of the public concerned the future of The Bell and it was AGREED by all that this would be discussed as per the agenda after the planning application re land behind Mole End which was 1st on the agenda.	Information
2411-60	Planning applications:	
2412-60.176	24/01885/F : Land behind Moles End, Main Street, GB : construction of 19 houses. Resubmission of this application following discussions between the applicant and Officers. Cllrs had reviewed the resubmission and determined that it required careful consideration as there were a significant number of changes and that some original comments submitted had been adjusted in the light of these changes.	Information
2412-60.177	Specifically, Council were concerned about the reversal of the original "no concerns" response submitted by Thames Water, who had reconsidered their earlier input and reversed their " no concerns" to an objection and a request for a condition preventing occupation of any houses until necessary expansion works had been constructed and commissioned at Cropredy sewage treatment works, or a development phasing plan had been agreed between them and the developer.	Information
2412-60.178	This Council has tried to get a more detailed understanding of this proposed condition from TW but has been unable to so have asked CDC Officers if they can clarify the impact of this.	Information
2412-60.179	This Council has also requested a further extension to the response deadline to allow proper consideration of the changes, and for confirmation of the Planning Committee meeting at which this application will be considered.	Information
2412-60.180	Council then proceeded to reprioritise the comments originally submitted and asked for a new draft to be created for their urgent consideration.	Clerk
2412-80	Other business	
2412-80.181	Update re The Bell PH The Chairman advised the meeting that she had been in discussion with CDC Officers about the proposed deadline re consideration of the Asset of Community Value application [ACV] submitted by this Council regarding The Bell. The proposed date of January 27th was confirmed and due to admi issues and cannot be bought forward. Council considers that the outcome of the ACV nomination is an important element in our response to the recent change of use application submitted by the new owners and has therefore applied for an extension to the response deadline to enable this to be considered.	Clerk
2412-80.182	Mr James Day, the new owner, attending the meeting as a member of the public, expressed his view that the timing of this application was unusual, being made after the sale of the building. The Clerk confirmed that there had been previous such applications which was accepted. Mr Day commented that he did not understand the application because he would not be interested in selling the building. He also confirmed that it was his family's intention to live in the village and become involved members of the village community. He understood local concern regarding the pub but thought that there had been earlier opportunities to acquire the pub had there been sufficient interest.	Information
2412-80.183	Mr Day asked to be kept informed and the Chairman advised that the best way of becoming aware of happenings would be to join the informal village Facebook group. Chairman will send him the latest published information from the Bourtons Facebook page. Mr Day said he would be willing to attend any future public meetings to speak about his plans for the building.	Information

Meeting closed at 20:40.

Minutes drafted by the Clerk on 12/12/24
