March 2024 DRAFT Minutes EOM

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The minutes of the extraordinary Council meeting of Scopwick and Kirkby Green Parish Council, held on Monday 12th March 2024 at 7:15 pm. The meeting was held in Scopwick Village Hall. These are notes of the meeting until approved by the Council as a true record.

Present:

Cllrs M Williams (Chair), J Flett (Vice-Chair), D Nelson, P Frost and C Kerrigan.

Public Session

There were no members of the public in attendance.

With no matters raised by the public, it was resolved to move into session.

111. Chairman's Welcome

Cllr Williams opened the meeting welcoming everyone, thanking them for their attendance and reminding everyone of safety protocols and emergency exits.

112. Apologies

It was resolved unanimously to accept apologies from Cllrs P Baumber and Parish Clerk J Sargent for their absence.

In the Clerk's absence Cllr C Kerrigan agreed to take and draft minutes of the meeting.

113. Declaration of Interest.

None received.

114. To consider a planning application for Land at Heath Road Scopwick - 23/1283/FUL.

The Chairman began the discussion on the planning application by expressing his concern regarding rainwater drainage/capture and sewerage drainage from the site. The Councillors discussed the recent problems Parishioners had experienced during the recent very wet winter months. In particular, that Anglian Water had to deploy a tanker to help with controlling the sewerage volumes due to the ingress of surface water runoff. The Councillors noted however that Anglian Water had already replied to the initial planning application with; "The foul drainage from this development is in the catchment of Rowston Water Recycling Centre that will have available capacity for these flows". The Councillors still believed that the Parish sewerage

system needed to be upgraded before the site was occupied to ensure that the current problems experienced by Parishioners were resolved and not exacerbated.

The Councillors also believed that site should capture drainage water and be recycled with a robust system, and not simply processed within the current sewerage system.

The Councillors were pleased that in accordance with the Neighbourhood Plan community objectives, in particular objective five, the site was for a mix of 14 residential dwellings, but of which three were nominated as affordable housing. The Councillors expressed that were possible the properties should be environmentally friendly including the use of roof solar panels and heat pumps.

The Councillors were grateful to the applicant for nominating a large area of the site as a developed community land with a green area and a pathway for Parishioners' use. The Councillors believed that it would be advantageous to have the Parish input into the layout and planting scheme within the community area. However, the Councillors were concerned with the cost of upkeep and maintenance of the area once the site was inhabited. Ther Councillors felt that applicant should bear the responsibility of the costs associated with the upkeep and maintenance of area including the grassed area, hedges and pathway for the considerable future.

The Councillors also believed that the applicant should provide a pedestrian road crossing from the site to the junction of Vicarage Lane. This would ensure that the residents of the site would have a safe crossing over the B1188 to the main Parish amenities.

The Councillors also compared the current application with a previous denied submission for the same site. It was noted that there was mention in the denied application of a pathway linking the site to Trundle Lane via the current playing field. The Councillors agreed that this should also be included within the new planning application.

It was resolved unanimously to accept the proposed planning application for Land at Heath Road Scopwick - 23/1283/FUL subject to the above recommendations.

Cllr Williams closed the meeting at 7:58pm.