

**Brampton Ash Parish Council**  
**Approved Minutes of the Special Parish Council Meeting**  
Monday 8 July 2013, 7.30pm at: The Church of St Mary, Brampton Ash

**Present:**

**Parish Council Members:**

Stephen Power (SP) (Chair)      Nick Bevan (NB)      Teresa Hilliard (TH)      Reg Stewart (RS)

**Member of the Public:**

Mr Julian White (JW) (left the meeting at 7.40pm)

In attendance: Liz Evans (LE) (Clerk)

Action by:

**1. Declarations of Interest**

*To receive disclosures of personal and prejudicial interests from Councillors on matters to be considered at the meeting*

No declarations of interest were received.

**2. Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received from Parish Councillor Heather Shuttleworth and from David Howes, Borough Councillor for the Welland Ward.

**3. Planning Matters:**

*To consider the following planning applications:*

*KET/2013/0372*

*APPLICANT: Mr & Mrs White*

*LOCATION: Crabtree Farm, Hermitage Road, Brampton Ash*

*PROPOSAL: Full Application: Extension to cattle building*

The applicant, Mr Julian White (JW), attended the meeting and discussed aspects of the above planning application with councillors. He explained that he had chosen the site as it would have the least visual impact on the surrounding area; materials would be the same as the existing building. It was to be used for livestock, livestock isolation, and for storage. His herd would increase to a maximum of 120 (approximately): this was a pedigree herd and, as he wished only to work the farm himself, his aim was a good quality herd rather than a large one. Digging was expected to take one week, weather permitting, and there would be no need to bring in a lot of stones and materials. Additional drainage would be constructed and the area adjacent to RS's property would be covered with topsoil and grassed over. When the project was completed there would be little or no impact on traffic flow; extra hay would not be transported through the main part of the village except on rare occasions when weather and road conditions made it impossible to use any other route.

SP queried the visual impact of the project; JW felt that this would not be a major issue but RS pointed out that it would be visible from his property. TH had viewed the proposed site from St Mary's Church and felt that there would be little to see in addition to the existing building.

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RS commended JW on his neatly run farm but indicated that he would prefer there to be no subsequent development of the barns. He queried whether the new lighting would be the same as the existing: this was a major concern for him as it was very obvious and could be seen clearly from several of the rooms of his house at night. RS produced photographic evidence of this. JW advised that the lighting would be as existing and he felt that the use of hooded lighting would not be particularly effective in minimising its radiance. SP suggested that planting might mitigate the lighting's visual impact on RS. The feasibility of this was discussed and JW agreed that he would be happy to plant beech trees, which would hold their leaves in the winter, into the hedgerow, as a means of reducing discomfort to RS.

JW left the meeting at this point (7.40pm.)

Councillors discussed the application. It was pointed out that Planning Application form question 24: '*Can the site be seen from a public road, footpath, bridleway or other public land?*' had been answered '*No*', when it can in fact be seen. However, TH said that, although it could be seen, so too could the existing building. Councillors decided by a majority vote to support the application, subject to trees being planted as agreed by JW and detailed above. The Clerk would inform Kettering Borough Council (KBC) accordingly.

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*KET/2013/0376*

*APPLICANT: Mr P Ward*

*LOCATION: Springfields, Harborough Road, Braybrooke*

*PROPOSAL: Retention of use without compliance with condition 2 of KET/2010/0109*

Permission for temporary residential use of this site had been granted in June 2010 and this had now expired. The applicants requested that KBC now either grant permanent permission or renew the temporary permission. The Clerk was requested to seek the views of Braybrooke parish council.

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**4. Any other business**

*To consider any other business of an urgent nature that could not be dealt with at the next ordinary meeting of the parish council*

Minuted as a Confidential Item

**5. Date and venue of next meeting:**

The next ordinary meeting previously scheduled for Thursday 5 September 2013 was re-arranged and will now take place on Thursday 17 October 2013, 7.30pm at St Mary's Church, Brampton Ash.

The meeting closed at 8.20pm

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