



TATWORTH AND FORTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Extra Ordinary Meeting of Tatworth and Forton Parish Council held on Thursday 20th July 2021 at 7pm.

Present: Chairman: Richard Down. **Councillors:** S. Adams, T. Eggins, A. Goody, J. MacOmish, E Peadon, S Baldwin, K Robbins, M Marsh, L Matthey and R. Wardell.

22 Members of the Public

286/21 Apologies for Absence:

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Heal

287/21 Declaration of Interest:

None

288/21 Chairman's Announcements:

None

289/21 Proposed Development 16/02874 Holbear. Review of proposals, presentation by David Bell, planning consultant.

Mr Bell gave a comprehensive insight to the outstanding application, referring to flooding issues in Forton, the original suggested distribution road around Chard, developers' cherry picking and not delivery of earlier proposals. Suggested that there was a strong case for a Judicial review.

Following considerable discussion, it was agreed that an item should be placed in the Council's agenda of the 5th August to formulate firm proposals objecting to the application.

A draft was required with a working party created to assist, enabling council to act quickly. Councillor Robbins to provide a draft for council to consider.

290/21 Development proposed, Chard Junction Consultation request from Dorset Council WD/D/19/000451.

The Chairman suspended Standing Orders inviting members of the public to address the meeting.

Considerable concerns were expressed which covered Noise, increased heavy traffic, damage to roads, loss of wildlife which can not recover in the short term, the site was in an area of AONB with hedgerows and surroundings all being damaged.

Considerable representations had been made.

There were estimated to be 110 lorry movements per day and considerable impact on the river Axe.

The Chairman Reconvened the meeting.

Extensive debate ensued with Councillors expressing considerable concern.

Finally, it was resolved that the Council should strongly oppose the application Co-opting assistance from the local residents.

Councillor Wardell to prepare a response, gather information and report back to the Council on 5th August.

