

**Grundisburgh & Culpho Parish Council**  
**Minutes of an Extraordinary Meeting of the Council held on Friday 22nd May, 2015**  
**in Grundisburgh Village Hall.**

NOTICES had been posted according with regulations.

Present: - Messrs. G.Caryer (in the chair), C.Doyle, D.Higgins, M.Taylor, Mrs.S.Grahn, Mrs.A.Willetts, District Councillor A.Fryatt and 19 members of the public,

The meeting was preceded by a viewing of the plans of Planning Application DC/15/1816/ARM (approval of reserved matters) Development site at Top Field, Barn Farm, Ipswich Road, Grundisburgh. The application does not relate to EIA (Environmental Impact Assessment). Consent is being sought for all reserved matters in respect of the housing element of the proposals –Plots 1-24.

**1. Apologies for absence** Messrs..J.Dunnett, R.Pepper, Mr & Mrs.Langdon, Miss.V.Barker, Mrs.J.Bignell.

**2. To receive members declarations of interest.** No interests were declared.

**3. Public Open Forum - relating to Item 4** The Chairman proposed seconded by Mrs.Willetts, to unanimous approval, that the formal meeting be temporarily suspended and members of the public invited to address the meeting. The following comments were made.

- Drainage systems are different to that originally proposed. Are they sufficiently robust to deal with the increased amount of waste from the development bearing in mind the age and small bore of the existing pipes ?
- Lack of internal footpaths.
- Will priority be given to local people for the eight affordable dwellings ?
- Will the commitment for affordable dwellings be kept ?
- Lack of smaller houses.
- £30,000 for the replacement of trees removed to create a vision splay on Ipswich Road is ring fenced.
- Who is responsible for the maintenance of the verge created ?
- No trees were indicated on the section in front of the proposed site for a new village hall.
- Education contribution from the development is not ring fenced for Grundisburgh Primary School.
- Who owns the trees on the site and who is responsible for their maintenance ? Could a Tree Preservation Order be placed on these trees ?
- Walls and fencing are inappropriate for this site.
- A footpath is needed from Barn Farm to the entrance of the site and beyond. to the bus stop.
- Can the District Council enforce the quality of building materials used ? Terms such as "best endeavours" are too vague. Can the District Council firm this statement up ?
- What weight does local representations have on planning decisions made by the District Council ?
- Bin presentation sites need re assessment.
- Environmental issues such as grey water systems should be considered.
- Affordable houses should have architectural features present in the commercial element of the development.
- A resident had gained approval from the County Council that two trees scheduled for removal could be saved if they were pruned and crown raised
- A construction plan had to be approved by the District Council before work on the site commences.
- Who owns the boundary hedge on the farm house of the site adjacent to the footpath

The Chairman encouraged members of the public to make their own comments on this application directly to the District Council.

**5. To formulate the Parish Council's response to Suffolk Coastal District Council.** At the resumption of the meeting councillors discussed the comments made by members of the public and formulated a draft response which will be circulated to councillors for further discussion and comment.