

Minutes of Extraordinary Meeting of Sampford Brett Parish Council
on Wednesday 22nd November 2023
held in Sampford Brett Village Hall at 6.30pm

Parish Councillors present: J Swan (Chair), N Brodrick (Vice Chair), B Martin, S Miles, J Russell, T Skinner and S Voller

In attendance: D Dennis (Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer)

6.30pm – PRIOR TO THE START OF THE MEETING

Questions and comments from members of the public

No request had been received from members of the public.

The meeting was then formally opened.

1. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (LGA 1972 s85 (1))

1.1 Councillor H Davies.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

Members to declare any interests, including Disclosable Pecuniary Interests they may have in agenda items that accord with the requirements of the Parish Council's Code of Conduct and to consider any prior requests from members for Dispensations that accord with Localism Act 2011 s33(b-e). (NB this does not preclude any later declarations)

2.1 None received.

3. TO DISCUSS PLANNING APPLICATION 3/28/23/003 TREMONT 33 TOWER HILL, WILLITON TA4 4JR

3.1 Following a site visit the Council concluded that

- with 3 houses the site would be over-developed and out of keeping with the Sampford Brett section of Tower Hill which is characterised by detached and semi-detached houses in spacious plots
- the proposed buildings are too close to the boundaries and to the house at No 35 Tower Hill (once extended according to the approved plans 3/28/22/005)
- there is limited provision for visitor parking which is likely to lead to parking on the pavement or road which would be hazardous.
- There was no objection to the principal of redevelopment of the site but with a maximum of 2 houses. It is essential that the comments made by the occupants of 35 Tower Hill are given due weight.

Resolution:

That the Clerk write to the Planning Department object to the application on the above grounds.

4. TO DISCUSS THE PLANNING APPLICATION 3/28/23/004 GLENCOE HOUSE, 72A-A TOWER HILL, WILLITON TA4 4JR

4.1 It was noted that the plans had been amended to accommodate the roots of a tree on the site as recommended by the tree officer.

Resolution:

That the Clerk should write to the Planning Department stating that the Council had no objection to the application.

5. TO DISCUSS NON-MATERIAL AMENDMENT NMA/28/23/001 TO PLANNING APPLICATION 3/28/23/002 CLOVERFIELD BARN, LOWER WEACOMBE, BICKNOLLER TA4 4AD

5.1 The NMA is to change the following external finishes:

- the rear northern elevation from stone to painted render
- window and door materials from aluminium to UPVC/Composite (anthracite) and
- cladding material from timber to Cladco Stone Grey 3.6m Woodgrain Wall Cladding

The Council were disappointed to note these changes as a fundamental basis of the original application was to use natural materials. The render colour should be conditioned to minimise visibility from the Quantock Hills Natural Landscape.

Resolution:

That the Clerk should write to the Planning Department objecting to the proposal on the grounds that it differed from the developer's stated intention to use and natural materials for the project.

6. DATE OF NEXT MEETING 13th DECEMBER 2023

Chairman's Signature: DJ Swan

Date: 13th December 2023