Hougham Without Parish Council

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Minutes of the Meeting

**Friday 19th June 2020**

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1. To receive apologies for absence; there were no apologies. The meeting was held by ‘Zoom’ due to the global pandemic of Covid-19 and Cllr Taylor joined by telephone via Chairman Chris Bryan.
2. To identify any member’s interests; Cllr Peel declared an interest in terms of planning application (i) The Manor 22 The Street West Hougham CT15 7BB Ref. No: 20/00524. It was agreed that Cllr Peel would stay for the discussion but would leave prior to the decision on this item.
3. To hear questions from the public; there were two memebers of the pulic present. Mr Peel expressed concerns regarding the height of the preposed extension for 22 The Street, as well as the possibility of increased ‘overlooking’ of neighbouring properties and additional traffic. Mr Daran Wilkins who’s application it is, was also present on the call. He was able to answer councilor’s questions to help them understand the application.
4. To agree the Annual Detailed Accounts for 2019/20; it was **RESOLVED** to postpone this until the next ordinary meeting on 21st July 2020 to allow the Internal Auditor time to review the documents.
5. To agree the Planning Application response for:
6. The Manor 22 The Street West Hougham CT15 7BB **Ref. No: 20/00524**

There was lots of discussion around this application. The decision went to a vote and the results were that one councillor had an interest and could not vote, one councillor abstained from voting. Of the remaining two councillors, one voted FOR the application and one voted against. The Chairman then used his casting vote, in the event of the tie, and voted against. Therefore, the Council RESOLVED to NOT support this application by reason of effect on neighbouring properties with regards to light and view, highway safety and additional traffic. *Action: Clerk to email KALC for legal process, Clerk to enter onto DDC portal after KALC response, Clerk to email the Councillors after decision confirmed, Clerk to email applicant.*

1. Church Farm Church Lane Church Hougham CT15 7AH Ref. No: 20/00500

It was agreed to SUPPORT this application. *Action: Clerk to enter into DDC’s portal.*

During the meeting, it was raised by Chairman Bryan that there is a mobile home on a site at Eight Acres that needs following up – letter to be written to planning department. *Action: Clerk*

In addition, Gravel Lane Hedging was discussed. A letter to be raised and delivered. *Action: Clerk to write a letter and Cllr Taylor to distribute.*

***The next scheduled ordinary meeting of Hougham Parish Council is due on Tuesday July 21st 2020, at 7.30pm at Hougham Village Hall, and will be confirmed during the week before.***