

## **FRAMSDEN PARISH COUNCIL**

### **Minutes of the Extraordinary Parish Council meeting held on Saturday 3rd February 2018 in the Village Hall at 9.30am**

Clerk to the Parish Council: Mr Steven Barron  
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Present: Chair Nicola Whitmore (NW), James Young (JY), Claire Macaulay (CM), Glenn Buckingham (GB), Nigel Hutchinson (NH) and Debra Pearce (DP) (Arrived 09:40)

In attendance: Sixteen members of the public.

#### **FPC01/0218 Receive Apologies for Absence**

Apologies: None, but DP had advised the Clerk prior to the meeting, that she would likely be a few minutes late arriving.

References: DPI – Disclosable Pecuniary Interest, PC – Parish Council, FPG – Framsdén Pub Group, VH – Village Hall, PCC – Parochial Church Council, ACV – Asset of Community Value, MSDC – Mid Suffolk District Council

#### **Opening**

The Chair opened the meeting at 9.33am and welcomed everyone present. Chair reminded those in attendance that this was Parish Council Meeting held in public and not a public meeting.

#### **FPC02/0218 Receive Declarations of Interest**

- NW declared a DPI (spouse has pledged financial support to FPG) in relation to item 4.a – DC/18/00100 Dobermann Inn.
- CM declared a DPI (spouse has pledged financial support to FPG) and also a personal interest (member of FPG) in relation to item 4.a – DC/18/00100.
- GB declared a DPI (he and his partner have pledged financial support to FPG) and also a personal interest (member of FPG) in relation to item 4.a – DC/18/00100.
- Due to late pending arrival of DP, Clerk reported that he had received a verbal statement from DP that she wished to declare a DPI (herself and a family member have pledged financial support to FPG) in relation to item 4.a – DC/18/00100. This would be confirmed or withdrawn if DP arrives during the meeting. (DP subsequently arrived at 9:40 and confirmed her DPI and her wish to apply for dispensation).



FPC03/0218

**Consider any Applications for Dispensation -**

Clerk reported that he had received four FPC application forms from councillors wishing to apply for dispensation, all of which were in relation to item 4.a – DC/18/00100 Dobermann Inn. Dispensation was requested to participate in any discussion and to participate in any vote on item 4.a. Reasoning given in each case was:

- a) *Without dispensation the number of persons unable to participate in the transaction of business would be so great as to impede the transaction of the business.*
- b) *The dispensation is in the interests of persons living in the authority's area.*

- Application for dispensation for NW:  
NH proposed acceptance, seconded JY: Carried
- Application for dispensation for GB:  
JY proposed acceptance, seconded NH: Carried
- Application for dispensation for CM:  
JY proposed acceptance, seconded NH: Carried
- Application for dispensation for DP:  
NH proposed acceptance, seconded JY: Carried

FPC04/0218 **a) Planning Applications for Discussion and decision -**

- *DC/17/05732 Street Farm The Street Framsdén: Application for Listed Building Consent. Replacement of 4no. front windows.*

**After discussion, the Parish Council agreed the following decision:**

**No objections, hence implied support.**

- *DC/18/00084 Moat Farm Birds Lane Framsdén: Householder Planning Application - Erection of single storey extension with flue and link structure to east elevation (following demolition of existing porch and outbuilding). Erection of garden shed, relocation of oil tank and new opening in garden wall. Installation of woodburner and flue.*

Councillors comments in discussion included a view that the design, which would be visible from the road, contrasted with the farm house, which is an historic building.

**The Parish Council agreed the following decision:**

**To object to the application which was viewed as being detrimental to an historic building.**

- *DC/18/00085 Moat Farm Birds Lane Framsdén: Application for Listed Building Consent. Erection of single storey extension and link structure to east elevation .....*



**Council agreed that the Heritage Team may have a different view, but FPC think this would be detrimental to grant Listed Building Consent.**

- *DC/18/00100 Dobermann Inn The Street Framsdén: Change of use from a public house (A4) to residential (C3).*

Councillors views expressed included the following points. There would be a loss of amenity and the application would be contrary to national and local (MSDC) planning policies, including the National Planning Policy Framework which specifically mentions public houses. FPC supports the current ACV listing having previously submitted its own ACV nomination, which was initially successful, and supports retention of the pub. Planning guidance criteria for the proposed "Change of Use" are not met. It is viewed that the application does not make a case that the "Change of Use" would benefit the village. There was no support given to the application from councillors.

**CM and GB chose to abstain from voting.**

**Decision: Council agreed to object to the application based on all of the above points.**

**b) Awaiting decision from MSDC –**

- *DC/17/05355 Flindor Cottage The Street Framsdén (LBC)*
- *DC/17/05354 Flindor Cottage The Street Framsdén*

**c) Decisions made by MSDC - None**

**FPC05/0218 Matters to be brought to the attention of the Parish Council –**

GB reported that the SCC Highways road signs in the village were in a very dirty state and questioned that this was beyond volunteers' responsibility. **This would be an agenda item for March FPC meeting.**

**Meeting closed at 9:48am**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'N. White', written in a cursive style.