

HELMDON PARISH COUNCIL

Draft Minutes of the Extra Ordinary meeting of Helmdon Parish Council held on Tuesday 1st October 2013 in the Reading Room, Church Street, Helmdon at 7:30pm

Present: Councillors Burns, Barnes, England, Moody, Garner, Adhemar, Duncombe

Four members of the public were present.

Action

1 Apologies for Absence

Cllrs Coatsworth and Simpson had sent apologies; these were accepted by the meeting.

2 Declarations of Interest

No declarations made.

3 Open Forum

Keith Jones, Chair of HSGWAG clarified that the group needs additional funds to provide expert witnesses at the inquiry into Broadview Energy Limited's application to construct 5 wind turbines near Helmdon.

4 Finance

a) To consider a request from HSGWAG for a donation of £4000 towards Wind Farm Inquiry costs

It was noted that there is a substantial majority of the parishioners who are opposed to the application and that the Parish Council had previously objected to it.

It was resolved that the Parish Council approve a donation of £3,800 to HSGWAG with the following conditions:

- The entire sum to be used towards the services of Mike Muston, Planning Consultant for the forthcoming public inquiry.
- In the event of the whole or part of the sum not being required for this purpose, that sum to be returned to Helmdon Parish Council from HSGWAG.

b) If resolved to support the request, to consider the budgetary heading for the expense

It was resolved that the donation would be listed under s137 of the budget.

c) To approve a cheque for any amount resolved under 4) a) and b) above.

It was resolved to raise a cheque payable to HSGWAG for £3,800 (number 500363)

Clerk

The meeting closed at 7:48 pm