

26/06/2024

Minutes of the meeting of Holbeach Parish Council Planning, Properties, Emergency Planning & Speeding Committee meeting Tuesday 25th June 2024 at 14:00 at Coubro Chambers

	In attendance	Apologies given	Non-Attendance
Holbeach Parish Council, Planning, Properties, Emergency Planning & Speeding Committee	Cllrs: P Howden, Pat Ward, T Wiltshire Clerk: Jan Hearsey Deputy Clerk: Becky Brothwell	None	
Public including Councillors	None		

Chair Cllr P Howden opened the meeting at: 14:01

PPES - 2024/5-012 - Apologies for absence

To receive and accept apologies where valid reasons for absence have been given to the Clerk prior to the meeting - None

PPES - 2024/5-013 - Declarations of interest

To receive any declarations of interest in accordance with the requirements of the Localism Act 2011 and to consider any requests for dispensations in respects of pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests in Agenda items – Cllr P Ward non-pecuniary interest on agenda item 016b and has requested a dispensation for future meetings.

PPES - 2024/5-014 - Minutes

It was **resolved** to approve as a correct record the notes of the meeting of the Committee held on 3rd June 2024 and to authorise the Chair to sign the official minutes.

PPES - 2024/5-015 - Clerk’s report

- a) A report was received from the Clerk – see appendix a

PPES - 2024/5-016 - Planning applications

- a) It was **resolved** to agree the planning responses:



Application No:	Proposal:	Deadline	Location	Comment
H09-0503-24	Raising of roof structure to existing bungalow to form first floor	28 th June 2024	3 Vicarage Close, Holbeach St Johns	No objection
H09-0510-24	Formation of a menage on agricultural land within the curtilage of an agricultural building	2 nd July 2024	Adj Rosedale, Chapel Drove	No objection
H09-0496-24	Demolition of agricultural barn and erection of two dwellings - approved under H09-0021-23. Modification of Condition 2 to allow amendments to previously approved plans.	5 th July 2024	Rosedale, Chapel Drove	No objection
H09-0699-23	Erection of a 49.9MW Ground Mounted Solar Array with Associated Underground Cable Route, Substation with POC Mast, Battery Storage and Ancillary Equipment & Structures COMMENT: Although we continue to support renewable energy we object as previously on the basis of a loss of Grade1 BVM farm land and the amenity loss also created. We must also raise an objection having noted the plans include BESS (Battery storage). We note the Fire Brigade, by their own admission know very little about dealing with the BESS fires, indeed it maybe a thermal runaway fire that cannot be extinguished, only contained, and run-off water is toxic. This feeds into the Lincs Environment agency letter where they are worried about toxic waste during construction getting into the dykes and channels feeding into the wash (an SSSI). Additionally, the toxic fumes from a fire (due to flat land) will travel miles to any properties in the area. This is unacceptable risk. The Parish Council therefore must object strongly to this application. We wish to record that we do not wish to be accountable and culpable in the event of a predictable disaster.	9 th July 2024	Caudwell Farm, Holbeach St Matthews	Objection – see comment

- b) It was **resolved** to agree a response with regard to the Meridian Solar Farm Consultation and Cllr P Ward was nominated as Councillor to attend one of the local consultations and has already attended the Moulton Village Hall meeting on the 15th June, the PPES committee was unanimous in objection to the solar farms and will support the local groups with their objection reports, committee will continue to support and attend local meetings or webinars.
- c) An update was received on s.106 funding continuing investigations but do not believe we have any funding due at this present time.

PPES - 2024/5-017 - Speeding

- a) It was **resolved** to agree the SID locations for August to be Boston Road North (towards Washway Road) & Foxes Lowe Road.
- b) An update was received on additional funding for a 3rd SID and it was **resolved** to agree to approach additional District Councillors that cover our Parish for further funding support.
- c) An update was received on the 30mph sign at Joy’s Bank, Holbeach St Johns a report with photos has been submitted to Fix My Street and awaiting update for sign to be relocated in a more suitable position.
- d) An update was received on Boston Road North, Holbeach. Councillors will be putting up two additional static speed signs and the SID will be active on this road in August. Request for Archers Survey has been declined as not due another one until 2025.

PPES – 2024/5-018 - Properties

- a) An update was received on 4a High Street inspection reports have now been received and window update is now out to tender.
- b) An update was received on Holbeach St Johns Village Hall, Cllr P Howden will make contact in regard to rent.
- c) An update was received on Bowls Club roof repair awaiting quote for two support poles and Cllr P Howden to chase up.
- d) It was **resolved** and agreed to allow the new tenant to re-paint room 4 at Coubro in a light colour.

PPES - 2024/5-019 - Emergency Planning

- a) An update was received on first Emergency Planning meeting one volunteer has now signed up from Holbeach Hurn, more meetings to gain volunteers will continue and to arrange a meeting at Holbeach St Marks village hall.

PPES – 2024/5-020 - Meetings

- a) The next meeting of the Committee will be on Wednesday 24th July 2024 at 14:00

Open Meeting closed at 14:58
Closed Meeting opened at 14:59

It was resolved to agree to exclude the press and public under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meeting) Act 1960 due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

PPES – 2024/5-021 - Council Properties

- a) An update was received on valuations for council-owned properties, two valuations have now been received and awaiting a third.
- b) It was **resolved** and agreed a response to the Holbeach Town Band letter as to write and confirm the situation regarding car parking arrangements.

Appendix a

Survey has now been done for the Cemetery Chapels on 19th June, report will take a few weeks to come through.

Email received from LCC to update us that Jekil’s Bank, Holbeach St Johns the speed limit is being revised to 40mph.

Closed Meeting closed at 15:21

Signed Chair.....Date.....

Chair’s initials.....