

Claife Parish Council
Minutes of Virtual Extraordinary Meeting held via Zoom 05-01-21 at 7.30pm

Attendees: Acting Chair Cllr Brodie
Cllr Hilton; Cllr Lewis; Cllr Wyburn
Clerk: J. Heather
0 members of the public

- 001/2021 1. Acting Chair
RESOLVED: Cllr Hilton formally proposed Cllr Brodie as Acting Chair for this meeting; Cllr Wyburn seconded.
- 002/2021 2. Apologies
Apologies were received from Cllr Lennon due to ill-health.
- 003/2021 3. Requests for dispensations
No requests were received.
- 004/2021 4. Declarations of Interest
No declarations of interest were received.
- 005/2021 5. Planning Applications

5.1 To consider the council's response to the planning application 07/2020/5815 at High Wray Bank, High Wray LA22 0JD

RESOLVED: Councillors voted to support this application. The council objected to the previous (withdrawn) application 07/2020/5400 on the grounds that the plans for the main house and barn would have resulted in buildings of disproportionate size and would be visually unbalanced with a negative impact on views. The reduction in the number of long term residential rental properties was also a concern. Cllrs agreed that the new application appears to have addressed residents' and the Parish Council's previous concerns re.

1. Size and balance: the planned extension to the SE of the main house achieves a more "balanced" look; double storey extension to former barn to be reduced to single storey.

2. Views and visual amenity : by leaving the rear gateway, SE of the detached former barn, in situ, and not removing the Copper beech trees, the views from the road and village will result in minimal change; the pool and gym have been brought under the existing hard standing and closer to the house. Glazing area has been reduced. The use of tinted, non-reflective glass, and the dark window frames will blend in with stonework. With the restoration of the dry stone ha-ha it will be less intrusive on landscape as viewed from across the lake; The old tennis court is to be returned to an agro-pastoral state.

Although depletion of the number of residential properties within the village remains a concern, Council accepts that the changes now proposed represent an improvement to the overall appearance of the existing building and grounds. Further, Council welcomes the consideration given to protecting dark skies by the type of external lighting chosen, and the proposal to turn off all external lighting by 11pm and overnight. Council hopes that this will be made a planning condition. **ACTION: Clerk** to convey this response to LDNPA.

006/2021 Date of Next Meeting

The next regular meeting of the council will be Tuesday 12th January at 7.30pm. The Acting Chair will be Cllr Hilton. The meeting will be held by Zoom, and login in details will be available from the Clerk.

Meeting closed 8.01pm.

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Signed & Approved by (Chair)

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