

DRAFT MINUTES

Minutes of the emergency meeting of Borough Green Parish Council, called by the Chairman of BGPC, duly advertised and held at 7.30pm on Friday 24 October 2014 in the Parish office, Borough Green Village Hall
Present: Cllrs Taylor (Chairman), C Dobson, Mrs S Gould, S Millener, Ms P Moorecroft, S Perry, T Shaw and H Willard

There were no members of the public in attendance.

Action

126. Apologies for Absence were received from Cllr M Yianni

127. Declarations of Interest

In the course of normal business being conducted all Councillors confirmed that that they are open-minded and that any comments they make are done so without bias, pre-disposition or pre-determination, irrespective of personal comments made outside the meeting.

Councillors will take into account any relevant information put before them and not rule out any factors before reaching a final decision.

Cllr Dobson declared an interest in item 129(i) of the agenda

128. Minutes of the Meeting 6 October 2014

RESOLVED to defer until the next ordinary meeting on 3 November 2014

129. Community Right to Bid

There was some discussion about the wording of item 129 of the agenda 'to ratify registration'. Chairman explained that registration of the Henry Simmonds PH, Borough Green Rd, as an Asset of Community Value had already been lodged by 21no electors as required and BGPC support of this is being sought.

All Cllrs had received copies of recent emails regarding the proposal of Sainsbury's to open a Local store at the Henry Simmonds PH which had triggered this meeting. It is understood that the company have signed a lease.

The process and implications of registering a public house as an Asset of Community Value was outlined. There was considerable discussion, including the viability of the village as a whole in the context of registering an Asset of Community Value.

It was AGREED that the parish council must be equal and equitable when considering this situation and therefore consideration must also be given to registering the Black Horse and Hoodens PH, Maidstone Road and the now closed, Red Lion PH, Sevenoaks Road.

Cllr Perry gave further information about the public houses currently open in Borough Green.

The procedure for submitting a Community Right to Bid with T&MBC was outlined and the option of the borough council introducing an Article 4 Agreement was noted.

Chairman proposed that BGPC registers its intent to submit a Community Right to Bid for the Henry Simmonds PH, Borough Green Road to be an Asset of Community Value. Seconded by Cllr Shaw. Voting was unanimously in favour, RESOLVED.

Chairman proposed that BGPC registers its intent to submit a Community Right to Bid for the Black Horse and Hoodens PH, Maidstone Road to be an Asset of Community Value. Seconded by Cllr Dobson. Voting was unanimously in favour, RESOLVED.

Chairman proposed that BGPC registers its intent to submit a Community Right to Bid for the now closed, Red Lion PH, Sevenoaks Road to be an Asset of Community Value.. Seconded by Cllr Millener. Voting was unanimously in favour, RESOLVED.

AGREED that Clerk will circulate the draft minutes of this meeting as soon as possible for approval and RESOLVED that following members' approval the registration of all three premises will be lodged.

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The meeting closed at 7.53pm