

Bredfield Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of Bredfield Parish Council held at the Village Hall on 10th February 2025

Parish Councillors present: Vince Buckman; Hilary Harker; Anne Henderson; David Hepper (Chair), Tony Richardson, Lynn Taylor together with County Cllr Colin Hedgley
There were 60 members of the public present, including representatives from Hasketon Parish Council

1/100225 Apologies and approvals of absence

Apologies had been received from Cllr Nik Bestow which was approved.

2/100225 Declarations of Interest and Requests for Dispensation

There were no declarations of interest.

3/100225 Consideration of a planning application:

DC/24/4501/FUL Proposal: Demolition of the existing commercial buildings Site address: The Forge, Woodbridge Road, Bredfield, Woodbridge, Suffolk IP13 6AG

One member of the public spoke to voice their concerns regarding this application and stressed that it should be opposed.

The completed forms were poor and littered with several errors. It was noted that a fence had been erected around the site which was subject to Enforcement Action as it was above the 1 metre maximum allowed without planning permission.

Concerns were raised over incorrect submitted site plans and potential contamination, particularly asbestos on site, and the lack of any surveys or information on how these would be tackled, which raised concerns over the potential impact on the residential amenity of neighbouring properties.

Cllr Hepper had forwarded all councillors a document setting out concerns with the application and this was discussed. It was unanimously agreed to object to this application and Cllr Hepper will forward the PC's objection to the Clerk for onward submission to East Suffolk Planning.

4/100225 Consideration of planning Appeal:

APP/X3540/W/24/3357436

Mr Robin D'arcy Site at: The Forge, Woodbridge Road, Bredfield, Woodbridge, Suffolk IP13 6AG Planning application reference: **DC/23/2693/FUL**

From the number of members of the public present and the amount of objections lodged with ESC Planning during the original application and comments made during the meeting it was clear that the village was totally against this application. It was noted that there had been zero engagement with the PC from the applicant and the pre-application service had not been taken up.

Cllr Hepper outlined the Appeal process and urged residents to send in their objections. Closing date for objections is 24th February 2025. There would be a Public Hearing on Tuesday 20th May 2025 in which members of the public could attend. Thanks were expressed to Mr Lewis, Cllr Richardson and Cllr Hepper for all the work they had undertaken in highlighting issues with the application and ensuring residents were aware.

After further discussion, and taking into account the opinions expressed by members of the public, it was unanimously agreed that the PC would oppose this appeal. Cllr Hepper will forward all councillors a draft objection for approval and then submit to the Planning Inspectorate. It was also unanimously agreed that Cllr Hepper would represent the PC at the Public Hearing.

Hasketon PC were supportive of the PC's objection

5/100225 Correspondence and urgent matters to be brought to the attention of the Parish Council

None

There being no further business the meeting closed at 18.25.