

# Berwick Parish Council

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of Berwick Parish Council held at the Berwick Village Hall on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020 at 7:30pm

60. Present

Cllrs K Winter (Chairman), B Smith, S Carnie and D Robinson.

Mr Baird and Mr Kelly (from Whiskey Bravo Productions, the event organisers for Mucky Weekender), and Alison Stevens (Clerk). There were also three members of the public in attendance.

61. Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Burrough.

62. Declarations of Interests

There were no declarations of interests nor were there any changes to the Register of Interests.

The meeting was then suspended.

63. Public Question Time

Lord Lloyd said;

- the Inspector's Report on the Wealden Local Plan has now been published.
- the Inspector found the submitted plan cannot be taken forward to adoption because it has failed one of the requirements for legal compliance, that of the Duty to Co-operate. In addition, there are some significant failings in respect of the soundness of the submitted Plan.
- The Plan has therefore been rejected.

The District Council has subsequently written to the solicitor Lord Lloyd previously consulted and invited him to make further representation. The solicitor strongly advises he does that. Lord Lloyd asked the Parish Council to support him in instructing the solicitor at this meeting because there is a two week deadline and time is tight.

This matter was covered later on in the meeting.

Mr Baird, from Whiskey Bravo Productions, spoke about plans his client has to hold another Mucky Weekender event in Sessingham Lane this year. He acknowledged mistakes were made last year and said his company is working with Wealden to make sure they don't repeat them.

He said;

- this year the organisers have applied for a Premises Licence, which will allow everyone to have their say. Last year they applied for a Temporary Events Licence.

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- Environmental Health has put restrictions on noise levels this year which the organisers have accepted. As a result there will be zero audibility after 11pm and music will end at 10pm on the Sunday.
- A noise monitoring team will be employed and activities will be planned and assessed around the licence.
- Contact details for the organisers will also be made available nearer the time.

In answers to Councillors' questions, Mr Baird confirmed;

- There will only be one event held annually.
- A Waste Management Plan is currently being submitted.
- Noise levels apply to any amplified music across the whole site.
- He will be happy to answer any further questions. He can be contacted via the Clerk.

The meeting was then re-opened.

## 64. Planning Applications

Councillors considered the following planning application;

SDNP/19/05831/FUL – English Wine Centre, Alfriston Road, Berwick - Alterations and extensions to existing buildings to provide improved venue facilities, entrance building and cafe, barn extensions & new studio/office accommodation. Proposed additional visitor accommodation, incorporating revised landscaping and parking layout. – Berwick Parish Council has no objections to this application on any planning grounds.

## 65. Premises Licence

WK/201910622 Mucky Weekender (CBD Festivals Ltd), Sessingham Lane, Arlington, East Sussex, BN26 6TP – Berwick Parish Council has no objections as long as;

1. The noise levels are controlled with zero audibility after 11pm and 10pm on the Sunday.
2. Only one event is held per year.
3. An Environmental Health approved Waste Management Plan is put in place and adhered to.

## 66. Wealden Local Plan

Councillors discussed Lord Lloyd's request to support his request to ask his solicitor to make further representation. Councillors agreed their original objections still stand and said they had nothing new to add. They resolved to support Lord Lloyd's instruction to his solicitor to make further representation as long as all the costs are met by Lord Lloyd.

## 67. Questions from Parish Councillors

There were no further questions and this meeting closed at 8.10 pm

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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