

**Minutes of the 686th meeting of Toft Parish Council**  
**Meeting held on Tuesday 12 February 2013 in The People's Hall, Toft at 7.00 pm**

Present: Councillors: M Yeadon (Chairman), J Betson, J McCarten, E Dolman, P Gouldstone and P Ellis-Evans.

In attendance: Jamie Bird (Hills Residential) and District Cllr T Hawkins

**Open public session including reports from the County and District Councillors**

Mr Jamie Bird for Hills Residential, representing the developer for Bennell Farm, gave an overview of the proposal for the site.

The following points were raised:

- The design would be "landscape-led", implying that the quality of the landscape would be a key factor in deciding the numbers of houses and the layout of the site.
- The intention is that the 40% affordable housing policy will be complied with and that there will be a local lettings policy for Toft and Comberton.
- The developer is aware of the issues associated with the site, infrastructure, flood concerns, etc, and is working on proposals to overcome them.

**1. To approve apologies and reasons for absence and declarations of interest**

1.1 To receive declarations of interests from councillors on items on the agenda

None.

1.2 To receive written requests for dispensations for disclosable pecuniary interests (if any)

None.

1.3 To grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate

None.

**2. Carried forward from the meeting on 4 January for decision**

2.1 (6.1.2) SCDC Issues and Options 2 Consultation – to consider the Parish Council's response following the meeting with Comberton Parish Council representatives

The Chairman provided an update on the outcome of the meeting with Comberton Parish Council and explained that unfortunately the Comberton Parish Council meeting was after the date of this meeting, and he was therefore unable to confirm what Comberton's response would be. He reported that Comberton were opposed to the development but that it was regarded as the least worst of the possible developments in the Comberton area and therefore the Parish Council might support it rather than have a less favoured proposal decided upon by the District Council.

After some discussion, it was agreed that the Chairman would draft a response to the effect that Toft Parish Council would support a limited development on the site if this were also supported by Comberton Parish Council, and provided that the proposals addressed the issues associated with the location.

2.2 S/2596/12/DC – Land adj 46 High St – Application for approval of details reserved by conditions 3,4,6,7 and 8 of planning permission S/0565/11

Noted that a response was not required.

**3. Closure of meeting**

There was no further business and the meeting closed at \_\_\_\_\_ pm.

Signed .....Chairman .....date.