# SOUTHMINSTER PARISH COUNCIL

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#### **Minutes**

# The Virtual Extra Ordinary Meeting of Southminster Parish Council 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2020.

Present: Cllr J Anderson, Cllr R Pratt, Cllr G Harrold, Cllr H Bridge, Cllr Wyn Davies,

Cllr C Mische, Cllr D Noonan and Cllr A Maigre

20/115 Apologies for absence.

None.

20/116 To receive and approve Minutes of the last meeting – 15<sup>th</sup> June 2020.

Proposed by Cllr C Mische, seconded by Cllr R Pratt.

20/117 To receive and note any declarations of interest:

None.

#### 20/118 Public Session – opportunity for members of public to speak:

Members of the public wishing to attend should contact the Parish Clerk via email before 3pm on the day of the meeting for the meeting ID and Password.

#### 20/119 Bradwell B

To compile a response to Stage 1 Consultation.

#### 1: Bradwell B Proposals: overall

- We recognise that the Government has identified Bradwell as a site for a new power station as part of its low carbon strategy program.
- We would expect the development to protect the environment at all times during construction.
- Local communities to be given employment opportunities together with sponsorship to local schools and the pupils enabling them to further education and training for job opportunities.
- Most local communities are going to suffer disruption and inconvenience during construction and must receive support with social economic benefits.

#### 2: The Power Station: design and environment

The visual impact of the cooling towers will be far worse to the local area than the wind farm is.

- Access to the beach should be maintained.
- Waste and fuel storage must be such that it will last beyond the life of the station for long as required.
- No nuclear waste should be imported from other sites.
- The site should be screened and while we accept there will be damage to the environment it should be protected as far as possible and restored at the end of the project.

#### 3: People and Jobs

- We are in agreement with Page 12 of the consultation.
- As stated earlier local people should be prioritised for jobs.
- The setting up of training skills and apprenticeships for local people.
- Liaising with local schools ensuring further education in engineering is taught.
- Offering local businesses the opportunity to quote for work.

# 4: Accommodation: overall approach

- All temporary accommodation built to an approved standard.
- The accommodation to be removed from site after use and land returned to its original condition.
- No additional building in Southminster without improvements to local infrastructure.
- Services provided should where possible be given to local businesses.

# 5: Accommodation: temporary campus and caravan sites

- We prefer scenario option1
- The site must be screened where possible.
- In scenario 2 the caravan site is too close to Bradwell Waterside.
- Low level buildings are preferred.
- All temporary buildings to be removed after use.
- The campus must be self-contained so as to reduce the impact on Bradwell Village, Waterside and surrounding villages.

# **6:** Transport: overall approach

- The idea of using Southminster for freight is out of the question. The road route out of Southminster is very narrow and congested and would involve additional transport through Asheldham and Tillingham. Extending the railway from Burnham-no-Crouch or Southminster would be the ideal rail option.
- Use sea transport as much as possible
- Vehicles must stick to agreed routes and not divert through the villages what-ever the reason.

#### 7: Moving Freight: sea transport

- Option 1: Appropriate.
- Option 2: Appropriate.
- Option 3: Appropriate.
- Option 4: Preferred appropriate.

## 8: Road Transport: strategic route 1

- We would support this road as it already a main road.
- The possibility of by- passes would reduce the impact on the villages and especially Latchingdon which is a notorious bottleneck.

#### 9: Road Transport: route 2 west

- Option 1: Inappropriate.
- Option 2 or Option 3: Preferred options

#### 10: Road Transport: route 2 east

- Option 1: Preferred option.
- Option 2: Inappropriate.
- Option 3: Inappropriate.
- The potential damage to the environment makes all these option 2 and 3 totally inappropriate.

#### 11: Road Transport: strategic routes 1 and 2 Bradwell section

- Proposed along all routes to Bradwell must be allowed their properties to be surveyed before and after construction paid for by Bradwell B.
- Any damage to properties to be paid for by Bradwell B.
- Vehicle movements restrictions to be imposed to protect the well-being of residence.

• Noise and air pollution will need constant monitoring.

# 12: Transport: freight management facility

- Option 3 and then1: Preferred options
- Option 2: Inappropriate. HGV lorry park should not be on the Dengie because of the impact on the environment due to air pollution, noise and light.
- HGV's should not travel in convoys.

# 13: Transport: park and ride

- Options 1a and 4: Park and rides should not be on the Dengie, suggest sites nearer Maldon and Cold Norton/Latchingdon. These 2 sites would reduce private cars going through Latchingdon.
- Selected sites should be restored on completion of construction.

#### 14: Consultation Process:

• The stage 1 consultation gives limited information on a whole range of topics which makes it difficult to formulate a good response. Further detailed information is urgently required which of course could affect our original response. Covid19 did impact on our ability to consult with our parishioners. BRB needs to urgently provide more definitive, accurate information consult fully in order for us to make a meaning-full response.

### 20/120 Public Session– opportunity for members of public to speak:

None.

# 20/121 Date of the next meeting:

13<sup>th</sup> July 2020

#### 20/122 Close of business:

Meeting closed at 8.09pm.