

WITCHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Extra-ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on Thursday 12 December 2024 at 7.34pm in the Village Hall, Witcham

Present: M Housden (Chairman), K Mackender (Vice-Chairman), J Lucas, S Wilkin

In attendance Parish Clerk/RFO

24/187 **Apologies for absence**

Apologies were received and accepted from L Holdaway (personal) and J Byrne (previous commitment). Apologies also received from County and District Councillor L Dupre and District Councillor M Inskip.

24/188 **To receive declarations of interest from Councillors on any items on the agenda**

Pecuniary interests - none
Personal interests: - none
Prejudicial interests (and to inform the Chairman if they wish to speak on the matter during public participation) – none

24/189 **Dispensations**

To note any new Dispensations granted: Nil

24/190 **Public Participation** There were no members of the public present.

24/191 **Planning Matters**

24/00746/FUL Witcham House, Headleys Lane Detached double garage/horse box store, single storey orangery, demolition of garage and construction of two storey extension to front of dwelling.

24/00746/FUL Witcham House, Headleys Lane Detached double garage/store, single storey orangery, demolition of garage and construction of two storey extension to front of dwelling – amendment – change to the proposal description.

Resolved that the Council had no concerns. Proposed J Lucas, seconded *Clerk*
Chairman.

24/192 **Joint Working for Application under Local Highways Initiative Programme (Witcham and Mepal Parish Councils) – Extend 40mph speed limit for remainder of Mepal Road, Witcham and Witcham Road, Mepal (C127) and improvements for path verge to improve safety for pedestrians/horseriders/cyclists.**

Chairman gave verbal update. Noted that Mepal Parish Council had reported that they had not yet discussed this matter on their monthly agenda and therefore could not meet the deadline of a submission of an application under the Local Highways Initiative Programme due by 10 January 2025. They had work to do on the consultation process, gathering of evidence and establishing costs before being party to committing to submitting an application. In addition to reducing the speed limit between Mepal and Witcham, Mepal Parish Council was also looking into reducing speed on Bridge Road, Mepal. Chairman asked for an agenda item to be included for the 8 January meeting.

Clerk

The Chairman thanked everyone for their attendance and the meeting closed at 7.44pm

Signed..... Dated