

**Minutes of the Great Coates Village Council (Extraordinary) held at 7.00 pm
at the Venue in the Village, Cooks Lane, Great Coates, Grimsby, DN37 9NW on 6 February 2024**

Present: Cllr K. Green (Chair), Cllr J. Masterton, Cllr C. Dunn, Cllr M. Stewart, Cllr S. Hall,
In Attendance: C. Thomas (Clerk),
Members of public present: 0

- 1 To receive apologies and reasons for absence - Ref: 2520**
Cllrs Barber, Cutting & Redgrift
- 2 To receive declarations of interest under the Localism Act 2011 - being any pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest in agenda items not previously recorded on Members Register of Interests. - Ref: 2521**
None
- 3 To discuss and respond as necessary to the:- - Ref: 2522**

a) North East Lincolnshire Local Plan Review - Ref: 2523

The Local Plan Review had previously been circulated to all councillors.
The Clerk gave an overview of what the Local Plan and how it fitted into the planning system.
The Chairman outlined how the meeting would proceed primarily focusing on the review impacting on the parish of Great Coates. All members agreed and to identify any areas of issue to be debated.
After a thorough discussion the following comments to be submitted were agreed:-

Question 9 - Green Wedges

Agree with the introduction of Green Wedges as a positive aspect to protect open and undeveloped areas.

Question 26 - Sustainable Transport

Traffic within Great Coates is heavy with particularly busy periods between 0630-0830 and 1600-1800 where quite often the village is grid locked primarily at the junction of Station Road and Great Coates Road. The table at para 8.32 'Improve journey times and reliability by reducing congestion' identifies areas of the town which suffers from congestion. Great Coates should be included here with efforts to reduce such congestion and keep the village flowing.

Question 35 - Housing Allocation

Allocation HOU021 is not in the existing adopted Local Plan and first appeared when developers released initial plans for Grimsby West. The Village Council in meetings with NELC were assured this had been removed and would not be included in such development. This allocation has now re-appeared in this review and it would appear has been 'sneaked' in as it is shown on the proposed map, not mentioned at para 10.1.6 but shown in the appendix B1. The Village Council is not against this development but questions how this has been included, why and what consideration has been given to the infrastructure and how any site is accessed ? To protect the village and reduce further traffic congestion this allocation should be removed or at best have restrictions imposed in that no access is available to or from Great Coates.

b) Great Lincolnshire Devolution proposals - Ref: 2524

As the consultation had now closed no comments could be submitted but members did agree that the proposals were positive.

Meeting closed at 8.30 pm

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