

MARLDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Special Meeting of the Marldon Parish Council held on Tuesday June 1st 2010 at 7.15pm

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Cllrs: Pennington, Mrs Clarke, Mrs Cox, Veasey, Joinson, Palk, Thorp,

ALSO PRESENT: Clerk to the Council: David Eeles; and 12 members of the public.

The Chairman explained that this was a Special Meeting to consider the designation by SHDC under the Local Development Framework of area RA22, Vicarage Road/ Five Lanes, as a preferred site for 35 houses and a football pitch. He invited members of the public to speak before the meeting opened. Their queries and comments were duly noted, these would be taken into account in the Council's deliberations of the matters raised.

1. The Chairman opened by noting that SHDC had extended the deadline for responses to the Development Plan Document to 2nd July, which would allow a discussion of this issue at the next Council meeting on June 14th, when he would be able to present some more thoroughly researched arguments against this development. In the meantime he presented 14 reasons why this should not be supported, going into considerable detail in some cases.
2. Members again deplored the lack of detailed response from Price Charles' Trust as to who the two people were that they claim to have spoken to. Cllr Palk said he had inspected the field and felt that it would not now be regarded as Grade 2 agricultural land due to overgrowth of brambles etc., although he accepted this was through neglect. There was probably a short section of protected Devon Bank in the field. Members discussed possible access and it was suggested that it would probably be via Singmore Road despite its private status.
3. Cllr Cox proposed, seconded by Cllr Thorp, that this Council supports the outcome of the Public Meeting on May 25th at which residents had voted 42 in favour and none against that this site should not be supported for housing development. This was CARRIED 6 in favour with the Chairman abstaining so as not to prejudice his later involvement at SHDC.

Meeting closed at 8.45pm

Signed (Chairman Cllr. JT Pennington) 14-6-2010

