

## **BAUMBER PARISH COUNCIL**

An Extra Ordinary Meeting of Baumber Parish Council was held on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2016 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall to discuss its response to Mr R Peall's Grounds for Appeal against ELDC Planning Committee's Decision in respect of Outline Planning Application for Residential Development at The Red Lion Public House.

Those Present: Cllrs. M Jones (Chairman), Mrs J Fable (Vice-Chairman), S Scholey Mrs S Elton, Mrs S Willerton & Mrs F Espley (Retiring Clerk).

Others Present: Messrs. R Peall, P Bullwinkle & M Grosvenor (Clerk-in-waiting)

Apologies: Messrs. M Harrison & R Espley.

Since the previous Meeting Mr Grosvenor had looked into the lack of relevant paperwork received by BPC concerning the above Appeal. On the paperwork it did receive the date by which replies could be sent to the Planning Inspectorate stated 03/02/1900. Mr Grosvenor ascertained that the Appeal responses should have been lodged by 19<sup>th</sup> October 2016, and, as this date had now passed, he managed to get the Planning Inspectorate to extend the time limit to 5pm on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2016.

ELDC's decision to refuse Outline Planning Permission was based on the Local Planning Authority considering that it had not been adequately demonstrated that the Public House business was not necessary or viable, thus denying Baumber of a Community Asset.

Mr Peall appeared not to have followed protocol or adhered to pre-application advice from ELDC to adequately demonstrate that the pub was not viable by submitting full marketing details including a comprehensive marketing scheme over at least 6 months. The pub was in a poor state of repair when Mr Peall, a builder, bought it. Six years on no one can deny it is now beyond it. The pub is described as abandoned but this is not the case as Mr Peall & his family continue to live upstairs.

In conclusion it was unanimously agreed that BPC support ELDC's reasons for refusal of Outline Planning – its position not having changed.

It was agreed that the Clerk & Mr Grosvenor would compose a letter in reply to the Planning Inspectorate more or less re-iterating previous statements.

The Meeting closed at 8.20 pm.



