

Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Broxted Parish Council held on Monday 30 May 2022 at 7.30pm at Broxted Village Hall

Present were:

Cllr Wendy Adams, Cllr Andy Cousins, Cllr Lesley Holt, Cllr Adam Hume, Cllr Vere Isham (Chair), and Kate Rixson (Clerk).

22/05-11 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were accepted from Cllr Kesterton and Cllr Smith.

22/05-12 Declarations of Interest

None were made.

22/05-13 Public Open Forum

Approximately thirty members of the public were present.

The Chair set out the reason for calling an extraordinary meeting, which related to the hearing of the Planning Appeal UDC reference 19/1777 for land at Brick End, Broxted.

The hearing would be taking place on Friday 17 June 2022 starting at 10 am, at the Uttlesford District Council (UDC) offices in Saffron Walden. A Planning Inspector would hear the appeal, would visit the site unaccompanied after closing the hearing (according to the communications with UDC) and would then make a decision which would be final.

The Parish Council needed to decide whether to engage a barrister to represent the community at the appeal hearing. This was the only item on the agenda and a decision was needed urgently. The council wished to hear the views of local residents.

The Chair set out the issues which needed to be taken into account. There was a wide-ranging general discussion before the council moved to consider the resolution.

22/05-14 Decision

The council resolved to approach an alternative planning professional who had been suggested, but if he could not assist, to engage the barrister to represent the community and the parish council.

There being no further business the meeting was closed.