

SHEBBEAR PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of Extraordinary Council Meeting held on Wednesday March 21st 2012
in the Village Hall Committee Room, Shebbear.**

Present:

Chairman: Cllr R Clark.

Cllrs: H Davis. P Lomax. M A Wells. J Stupple. T Carr. J Dungate. E Haste.

Clerk. David Walker.

Agenda. 2012. Commenced at 7-30 pm.

34. Apologies for Absence.

Cllr J Curtis (Working). Cllr R Gliddon (Unwell).

35. Planning.

Cllr E Haste. Declared a Personal Interest in Item 35(1) as he has a business connection with the landowner.

Cllr M A Wells. Declared a Personal Interest in Item 35 as a family member belongs to a campaign group.

Cllr H Davis. Declared a Personal Interest in Item 35 as a family member belongs to a campaign group.

(1) 1/0073/2012/FUL. Erection of 500kw wind turbine at Durpley Farm. Shebbear. To Agree a consultee response. Further to Agenda item 30(a)(1).

Due to the complexity of the documentation contained within the application , a final response was not yet ready. As an extension to the consultee period had already been applied for Cllrs agreed that there would be time to approve a response at the April 10th meeting.

(2) 1/1250/2011/FULM. Erection of 3 wind turbines of a height between 95 and 100 Metres to tip, together with 1 meteorological mast, switchgear building and associated accesses and infrastructure. Land at Dunsland Cross, Brandis Corner. Map Ref: 240667/103874. To Agree an adjacent parish consultee response. Further to Agenda item 30(d).

Cllrs felt that an objection should be made to this application as the turbines will be visible from parts of Shebbear parish and therefore affecting long views across the landscape.

The culmulative effect of the number of turbine applications in the pipeline, in the countryside surrounding Shebbear parish, will be increased by this application.

The distinctive natural characteristics of the site would be destroyed, and the objectives of the North Devon Biosphere jeopardised.

Such a large development so close to a major route out of the district was deemed to be a distraction hazard.

Agreed that Clerk should forward this Objection to TDC.

36. Items for the next Council Meeting Agenda to be held on Tuesday April 10th 2012, and any other matters at the Chairmans discretion.

There being no other Business the Meeting ended at 9-25pm.