

# Lothersdale Parish Council

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## Minutes of Lothersdale Parish Council Extra Ordinary meeting held on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2015 at 8.00pm In the Village Hall

**Present:** Councillors E Cullen (Chair), N Wilson, E Mitchell and C Cowgill

**In Attendance:** 18 members of the public and A Mallinson clerk.

**08/1 Apologies:**

Apologies accepted from Cllr Barrows due to family commitments

**08/2 Declaration of Interest:**

Cllr Cullen declared a prejudicial interest in item 3, planning item 53/2015/15929, as he has previously made comments to CDC planning department about the application. On advice Cllr Cullen is permitted to take part in the debate but not take part in the voting.

**08/3 To consider residents objections to planning application 53/2015/15929**

Cllr Cullen introduced the item, setting out the reasons why the extra ordinary meeting had been called and how the meeting would be conducted. Residents were given the opportunity to put forward their concerns about the application, which included highways, drainage, a possibly flawed ecology report and the lack of proven need for any additional housing in the village. Cllr Cullen read out a letter from the architect which set out to address any concerns that residents may have and how the plan met with current policies.

Councillors acknowledged that some of the original concerns that had been raised have now been addressed and that the village needed to continue to grow, but could not see how the proposed houses would meet the needs of affordable housing and were not "modest" in scale and design.

**Resolved:** That the original "no comment" decision taken by the Parish Council at the July meeting was upheld. (Cllr Cullen did not take part in the voting)

**08/4 Date of next meeting**

**Resolved:** That the next meeting is to be held on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2015 at 7.30pm in the Club House

Meeting closed at 8.55pm

Signed –

Cllr E Cullen

Date – 10<sup>th</sup> September 2015