Minutes of Westhall Parish Council Extraordinary Planning Meeting Tuesday 23rd January 2024 at 7.30 pm in Westhall Village Hall

Councillors Present:

Mr S Darch, Chairman, Mr P Langford, Mrs Lorraine McTaggart, Mrs M Rogers,

Mr J Lickman and Mrs A Donnachie (Clerk)

In Attendance:

Mr Peter Smith and Mrs Brenda Smith

Members of the public

1 Apologies and acknowledgment of absences: Cllr C Baker

2 Declarations of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests: None

To discuss Planning Application DC/23/4906/FUL Re-development of an existing mixed-use property. Site address: Post Office, Mill Common, Westhall, Halesworth, Suffolk IP19 8RQ

Proposal: Re-development of an existing mixed-use property including the demolition to part of an existing first floor and the deconstruction and removal of an existing garage roof in order to define an existing 3 Bed 2 Storey Semi Detached House (Unit 1) with a proposed 1 Bed 2 Storey House (Unit 2) while retaining an existing Class E Commercial Unit with an integral utility and toilet area (Unit 3).

The property is served by an existing lay-by and entrances off the Wangford Road, with an existing access drive and parking spaces. Cycle and motor bike storage will be available in the existing outbuilding to the rear of the property together with bin space and storage off the shared courtyard.

The applicants attended to present their proposal and answer any questions raised.

An extraordinary planning meeting was held to consider the above re-development and to listen to the views of local residents and produce a detailed response to the Planning Authority covering, impact on water and sewage facilities, access, site parking, removal of access gate to Recreation Ground, opening hours and no storing of hazardous materials or hazardous works to be conducted in the commercial unit.

The proposal was unanimously approved with detailed conditions submitted to the Planning Authority.

Action: Clerk to submit Consultee Comments to the Planning Authority by required deadline of 1st February 2024. Clerk will publish Parish Council's final comments on Website and on our noticeboard.

Meeting closed at 8.15 pm