Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Meidrim Community Council held on Friday 21st April 2023

Present:

Chair. Cllr. S. Kind, Cllr S. Runnett, Cllr. R. Crane, Cllr. B. Thomas, Cllr. T. Sinden

Members of the Public

1. **Apologies**: Clerk, S. Milligan

In the absence of the Clerk Cllr. T. Sinden agreed to record the Minutes

1. **Public Question time**

The Chair gave an introduction to planning application PL05021 explaining that this had already been refused planning permission under W/39846 in 2021 and that he had called the meeting to gather public opinion and for the Council to consider.

Members of the public raised many concerns over PL/05021 including citing that this was a site currently inhabited by otters and other wildlife which would be disturbed by such a high impact development and that the applicant intends to invite a “forest school”, residential courses, other visitors and customers which would mean there was the potential for upwards of 30 people on site at any one time causing disturbance to the wildlife.

Salient points gathered:

1. High impact on the otter and other wildlife habitats, biodiversity and the environment.
2. Flooding contra to TAN 15 and potential future flooding of neighbouring property and land.
3. Concerns about the Management Plan which includes “intensive horticulture”.
4. The site is already partly developed with the owner currently living on site periodically contra to the Management Plan.
5. Buildings on land which is 45 degree angle. Extremely large poly tunnel.
6. Proposals contrary to fundamental OPD ideals and ethos.
7. Roads, access and traffic issues.
8. Should the proposal be approved it would open the floodgates for the other 6 parcels of land to be developed causing the loss of more habitats and biodiversity.

The public thanked the Council for hearing them and left the meeting.

1. **Declaration of Personal Interest regarding the Agenda Item**

None

1. **Planning matters**

**PL/05021**

The Council discussed the proposals further and agreed that a letter of objection raising these points should be submitted. The Chair to draft a letter which would be checked by the Vice Chair before submission.

The meeting closed.