



Woodstock Town Council

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Minutes of the Extraordinary meeting of Woodstock Town Council held in The Town Hall, Woodstock on Tuesday 11th July 2023 at 7pm

Cllrs. present: Nick Manby-Brown (Mayor), Linda Addis, John Bleakley, Jo Lamb, Ulli Parkinson, Sharone Parnes and Elizabeth Poskitt

In Attendance: Karen Howe – Clerk, Cllr J Cooper West Oxfordshire District (WODC) Councillor

Chair for the Meeting: Cllr Manby-Brown

Members of the public attended: 7

23/07/01 ETC	1 - Apologies for Absence Apologies were received from Cllrs Bleakley, Grant, M Parkinson and Spencer-Churchill
23/07/02 ETC	2 - Declarations of Interests None given
23/07/03 ETC	3 - Public Speaking and Question Time 2 members of the public requested to speak. The first speaker said there are issues that need to be fed up to the government and these include: - Food security, which is vital, and is being undermined by solar farms Concerns about the shell company being used and also about the technology being/becoming outdated. The second speaker raised concerns about the report provided by the applicant did not look into other options and there are other options being worked on by other regions that should be considered and referred to.
23/07/04 ETC	4 - Botley West Solar Farm Response to Scoping Opinion for EIA This is to approve the response to the Planning Inspector's consultation on the Scoping Opinion for EIA for Botley West Solar Farm. Please note that this is not the actual planning application and is a consultation on what should be included in the Environmental Impact Assessments and Environmental Statements to be submitted with the DCO application. It was pointed out this response was a collaboration with Bladon Parish Council. Cllr Parnes informed the meeting of a petition that MP Robert Courts had started which was opposing the solar farm and ask the people consider signing it. It was suggested that the response be sent to both WODC and OCC for information and published on the website. The council were asked to agree to the submission of the response. Proposed by Cllr Manby-Brown and Seconded by Cllr Poskitt All were in favour Decision It was agreed that the response be sent to the Planning Inspector and copied to WODC and OCC for their information.
23/07/05 ETC	5 - Close Meeting The meeting closed at 7.16pm