



## MEETING

### Planning and Environment Committee

**Meeting held on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July  
At 11.45am at Heath Village Barn**

1. Present: Cllrs Bevan,(Chair) Smith . Clerk, four members of the electorate in attendance
2. Apologies: Cllrs Boyden and Thyer – work commitments.
3. Declaration of Interests:
4. Planning applications:

**Application Number: CB/21/02605/VOC**

Variation of Conditions 2 and 22 of planning permission CB/16/01389/FULL Installation of a single wind turbine with a maximum tip height of 143.5m (hub height 100m; rotor diameter of 87.0m), substation, hardstanding area, access track, underground cabling and associated infrastructure. The variation is to increase the rotor diameter of the wind turbine from 87.0m to 115.0m. This will also marginally increase the maximum turbine tip height from 143.5m to 147.0m.

Mr. Ellis asked the Parish Council to consider several issues: the impact on the sky coverage by increasing the rotor diameter, he calculated as a 74.7% increase; whether there would be shadow flicker; TV reception issues; noise, he thought it likely the newer turbine would be quieter but there will be two of them; finally, the visual impact.

Mr. Hoare, a renewable energy consultant, urged the Parish Council to support the variation, saying that Heath and Reach could be proud of it's contribution to renewable energy especially in light of the recent flooding in Germany. Mr Hoare answered a number of queries, re the height and efficiency of the second turbine and is confident that AWE will be mindful and address the issues of flicker , tv reception swiftly.

Mr. Clarke supported the variation and said that living in the heart of the village, the existing turbine had no negative impact on him.

Ms. Fitzpatrick stated that the variation is a fundamental change to the original planning application and as such the whole application should be re-evaluated.

After further discussion the Clerk was asked to respond with the comments as above.

Meeting closed as 12.15pm