

ROBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD THURSDAY 1st OCTOBER 2020
7.00pm by the zoom platform

Present: Cllr.Isaacs in the chair, Cllrs.L.Pincombe, E.Huggons, M. Folland, M.Hookway, D.Challacombe, T.Stevens. Dist.Cllr.R.Lock and 2 members of the public Mr.L.Parton and Mr.C.Hoole

Apologies: The Clerk Mrs.K.Wass

1. Planning application at Eaglescott Airfield for Manager's residence

The Chair invited each Councillor to speak and express their views on the application. Main points to arise as follows:-

- real concern in local communities about ongoing commercial activities at the airfield
- very little recreational use taking place
- no proven need for a manager to be on site 24hours a day
- security cannot form the primary or sole reason for an “essential need”
- a 4 bedroomed house was considered to be too large
- concerns that with a managers house on site the use of the airfield may change

2. Public Session

Mr.L.Parton – spoke on his concerns which included if permission was granted for a managers house it must be tied to the airfield and not be sold on the open market

Mr.C.Hoole – although many objections on the planning portal - several were voicing concern over the actual use of the airfield by military training helicopters not on the erection of a managers house which is separate issue. He then went on highlight the planning policies why this application should be rejected

3. The Chair called for a vote by parish councillors on the application

5 Councillors voted against the application
1 Councillor voted in favour of the application
1 One abstention

There being no further business, the Chair thanked those present for their attendance and closed the meeting at 8.20pm

Signed.....chair.....dated