Limpsfield Parish Council 14 October 2024

Motion to Contribute LPC Funds to OLRG/Oxted Parish Council for Chichele Field Public Inquiry legal costs.

Oxted and Limpsfield Residents Group and Oxted Parish Council are Rule 6 parties to the public inquiry for the proposed residential development at Chichele fields, which commenced on 24 September. OLRG and Oxted PC are represented by Isabella Buono of Landmark Chambers. OLRG have negotiated a fee of £15,000 + VAT.

OLRG are seeking contributions to offset the legal costs contesting the proposed development, which will impact Limpsfield Parish should planning permission be granted. Oxted Parish Council have agreed to contribute £2000 plus VAT of £400 (which will be reclaimed). If Limpsfield Parish Council were to contribute, a VAT invoice could be arranged.

More information on the Public Inquiry ca be found on the TDC website: https://www.tandridge.gov.uk/Planning-and-building/Planning-applications-and-enforcement/Public-inquiries/Land-at-Chichele-Road-Oxted-2023-1345

For Approval: Contribute £800 plus VAT (£960 total) toward Public Inquiry legal costs subject to confirmation that VAT can be re-claimed with appropriate invoice from Barrister. Or approve other amount (if any) deemed appropriate by Councillors.

Thomas C Briggs

Chair