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Reserved Matters application for approval of appearance, landscape, layout, scale and access (internal only), of Plot L (part of) at Magna Park, Lutterworth North (ref. 15/01531/OUT) including one building, internal roads, footways/cycleway, bunding, maintenance strips, foul and surface water drainage, landscaping, associated utilities and land reprofiling – Land at Mere Lane, Magna Park, Bittesby

*Resolved: The Parish Council has comments to submit on the application.*

b. **To consider planning application 25/00024/TCA**

Works to trees (fell) – Hillcrest Cottage, Main Street, Ullesthorpe

*Resolved: The Parish Council has no comments to submit on the application but is pleased to note that the applicant intends to replace the felled tree with a native species within the grounds.*

c. **Any other planning matters:** No other planning matters raised.

d. **To receive an update on the preparation of the new Local Plan:** Deferred until 2025.

#### 25-010 To receive the Clerk's report on correspondence and consider any recommendations

- The Parish Council have received correspondence from the Marc Smith Charity regarding a potential donation to their funds.

#### 25-011 To consider items for inclusion on the agenda for the next meeting

- Updates on matters arising from agenda items above.
- Potential projects for the railway cutting
- Budget

#### 25-012 To set the date of the next meeting of the Parish Council

The next meeting of the Parish Council is scheduled for Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2025 at 7.30pm at

Ullesthorpe Village Hall.

**25-013 To resolve to discuss items of a confidential nature to be debated in the absence of the press and public. Under the Public Bodies (Admission to the Meetings) Act 1960 (due to the matters being protected by legal and professional privilege):** No matters raised.

***The Chairman closed the meeting at 10.21pm.***

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