

COLWICH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 3RD APRIL 2017 AT THE PARISH CENTRE, ST. MARY’S ROAD, LITTLE HAYWOOD, COMMENCING AT 7.30 PM.

PRESENT: Cllr Doehren (Chair); Cllr Billingsley (Vice Chair); Cllr Birt; Cllr Cooper; Cllr Featonby; Cllr Payne and Cllr Stafford Northcote.

IN ATTENDANCE: Michael Lennon (Parish Clerk); Cllr Perkins (SBC).

PUBLIC PRESENT: J Cherrill; T English; P Rowlands; M Mehta; T Haynes; M Haynes; M Edwards; H Lloyd; A Dunn and T Cannon.

The Chairman welcomed the public to the meeting and explained that the time allowed for public participation would be extended to provide everyone with an opportunity to speak.

In discussion the following points were raised by members of the public on the application for land off Little Tixall Lane:

- The distance between 54 Little Tixall Lane and the development site is misrepresented.
- Compensation or compulsory purchase should be offered to Marlborough Close residents.
- The development has two storey properties backing on to bungalows.
- The pond in the site is still active for GC Newts.
- There is a stream coming off the field, under 54 Little Tixall Lane and continuing to The Uplands.
- Little Tixall Lane/Coley Lane will become a dangerous rat run.
- The junction onto the A51 will become an accident hotspot.
- The footpath between 11 & 15 Marlborough Close should be closed as per Police recommendation.
- The footpath is inappropriate especially for people with mobility issues.
- The ‘meadow’ at the end of Marlborough Close is not a right of way. The strip of tarmac does not meet any footpath standards.
- The site is not connected to the village.
- A full drainage plan, by a qualified independent surveyor, is needed to ensure against flooding elsewhere in the village.

J Cherrill; P Rowlands, M Mehta; T Haynes and M Haynes thanked the Council and left the meeting.

M Edwards noted that the Lockhouse wished to continue trading but that they were losing too much for this to be viable. The arrival of the Canalside café and the closure of Shugborough have had a severe impact. The building needs a lot of money spent on it but it is caught between being a domestic dwelling and a business and so cannot access a mortgage. The last three years’ accounts do not make good reading.

The Chairman brought the public participation to a close and opened the meeting at 8:36pm.

MINUTES

- 1/17P** **APOLOGIES** were received from Cllr Lyall under the Dispensation item 38/17.
- 2/17P** There were no **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.**

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