

ETWALL PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Planning Environment and Highways Committee  
held on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2014**

Present:	<b>Committee members</b>	<b>Non-committee Members</b>
	Cllr D Muller	Cllr I Bennett
	Cllr R Warburton	Cllr N Ireland
	Cllr M Adcock (part)	Cllr B Payton
	Cllr T Day	Cllr K Cresswell

3 Members of the Public

- 244 **Apologies for absence** – Cllrs Patten and Sandhu
- 245 **Declaration of interests**- All members of Etwall Parish Council attending this meeting, being automatically Trustees of Frank Wickham Hall Charity, declared their interest.
- 246 **Election of Chairman** – Cllr Muller was nominated, seconded and unanimously elected Chairman.
- 247 **Election of Vice-Chairman** – A decision was postponed on the election of Vice-Chairman until more members of the committee were present.
- 248 **Minutes of the meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> April 2014** – Already approved at full Council meeting. At this meeting it had been decided that members should be informed of the results of planning applications at full council meetings. This information was not available from the SDDC website without viewing each application individually. Members to be notified of results of contentious applications and SDDC to be asked if changes could be made to the search facilities on their website.
- 249 **Public Speaking** - A member of the public was thinking of buying a house in Etwall and was concerned about whether the railhead would be going ahead and its impact on the village. Members were unable to give any guarantees as this development was in the early stages of consultation but recommended attendance at the consultation exhibitions.
- 250 **Planning applications to be considered** –
- (a) 9 2014 0505 – Felling of a Rowan Tree on land at Piers Riding, Sutton Lane
  - (b) 9 2014 0503 – Felling of a Yew and Ash tree at The Gables, 16 Church Street
- Not all members had seen these trees yet but it was suggested that the SDDC Tree Officer be asked to look at the trees and comment. It was felt by those who had seen the trees that there was nothing wrong with the trees and the fact that a cable went through the them was not sufficient reason for their removal especially as they were in a Conservation Area. It was suggested that the trees should be pruned rather than felled.

Following a presentation by the SDDC Tree Officer at the Area Forum meeting on Ash Die Back, it was felt that this type of information should be put on the website. Ash Die Back had been found in Swadlincote but not in Etwall so far.

- 251 **East Midlands Intermodal Park** – Residents of Etwall had received a leaflet informing them about the proposals and advertising consultation exhibitions where further information would be available. Everyone was encouraged to attend these exhibitions and this matter would be discussed further at the next meeting when more information was available.
- 252 **Any Other Business** – Cllr Warburton reported that there had been an accident on Hilton Road when a bus had hit a car turning into the school/leisure centre car park. No-one was hurt but this added weight to the call for a reduction in the speed limit on Hilton Road.
- 253 **Date of next meeting** – To be advised.

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