

ETWALL PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Planning Environment and Highways Committee  
held on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2013**

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

Seven members of the public.

- 228 **Apologies for absence** – Cllr S Sandhu
- 229 **Declaration of interests**- All members of Etwall Parish Council attending this meeting, being automatically Trustees of Frank Wickham Hall Charity, declared their interest.
- 230 **Minutes of the meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> July 2013** – Already approved at full Council meeting
- 231 **Public Speaking** - There was concern about the proposed development of 100 houses on land off Willington Road which was shown in the draft Local Plan. There were complaints that the Local Plan was hard to read, being too long and full of jargon, and the consultation reply form was not clear enough for the average person.

There were reports of raw sewage backing up in Old Station Close. Last year the Severn Wells Public House flooded and manhole covers were lifted in the Elms Grove/Belfield Road area after heavy rain. There were thoughts that the sewerage and drainage systems in Etwall could not cope with an additional 100 houses. There were also fears that if this development went ahead the adjacent field would be developed until all of the land up to Toyota was developed.

- 232 **Planning applications to be considered** –
- (a) 9 2013 0867 – The felling of a sycamore tree at Helmsley, Sutton Lane – No objections.
  - (b) 9 2013 0817 – Outline application for residential development of five dwellings on land off Sutton Lane – Objection on the grounds of drainage, water run-off and access.
  - (c) 9 2013 0901 – Erection of an agricultural worker’s dwelling at Madrax, Heage Lane – Objection on the grounds that the plot is too small, the land floods and it is not farming land.
- 233 **Response to the Local Plan** – Members agreed with the points raised by members of the public that the consultation reply form was difficult to complete. It was decided to object to the inclusion of land off Willington Road due to the existing services being unable to cope with 100 additional houses. This was to include electricity, gas, sewerage, water run-off, the senior and primary schools, the doctors’ surgery and congestion in the centre of the village.

A discussion took place on whether an alternative area of land should be put forward. Several possibilities were discussed but all were rejected for various reasons.

It appeared that there were a number of properties in the village that had had a problem with sewage and Severn Trent were to be asked if they would be willing to attend a meeting a give the Parish Council a report on the state of Etwall's water system.

No planning application had been received so far for the development of 100 houses on land off Willington Road and 15 houses off Sutton Lane. A response had been received from Repton School to say that there were no covenants on the land.

235 **Budgets 2014/15** – See attached.

236 **Date of next meeting** – To be advised.

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