

ETWALL PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Planning Environment and Highways Committee held
on Monday 19th October 2015**

Present:	Committee members	Non-committee Members
	Cllr D Neal	Cllr H Ritchie-Smith
	Cllr D Muller	Cllr I Bennett
	Cllr R Warburton	Cllr V Roe
	Cllr M Adcock	Cllr N Ireland
	Cllr T Owen	
	Cllr D McDonald	Three members of the public

279 **Apologies for absence** – Cllr Payton and Cllr Patten

280 **Declaration of interests** - All members of Etwall Parish Council attending this meeting, being automatically Trustees of Frank Wickham Hall Charity, declared their interest. Cllr Ireland declared an interest in the major planning applications.

281 **Minutes of the meeting held on 16th June 2015** – Already approved at full Council meeting.

282 **Public Speaking**

(a) **Local Plan** – It was felt that it was difficult to find sound planning objections to the inclusion of 1600 dwellings at New House Farm, Mickleover. It was explained that these were required to fill the shortfall in housing supply and would bring benefits including schools, doctors/dentist and the completion of the ring road. It was stressed that it was important that the Local Plan should not be delayed and the inclusion of these houses in the Local Plan did not make Etwall “safe” from further development.

(b) **Planning application Egginton Road** (Chestnut Grove side) – The comment was made that the developers had moved the proposed development closer to the houses on Chestnut Grove than was originally planned. It was explained that this was due to a barrier that was required around the sewage treatment works. It was felt that drainage of the site would be a major problem as the ground was currently “soggy”.

283 **Planning Applications to be considered:-**

(a) Outline planning applications for up to 120 dwellings with access from Egginton Road – Cllr Neal reported that he had the following observations (from the documentation that he had been through so far). The sewage treatment works would in effect be landlocked therefore there would be no opportunity for extension in the future. There were errors concerning the bus service in the Design and Access Statement. It seemed that no three storey properties were proposed (at this stage) but that it seemed a dense development with a reasonable number of affordable houses. The land levels were to be looked at as there was a considerable drop between the level of land on Chestnut Grove and land to be developed. Concern was also raised on the drainage of the site as it remains boggy even after dry spells. The times of the day when the noise monitoring needed to be checked as this may have been carried out at “quiet” times. (post meeting note: 13:21 to 16:21 at one location and short periods in another eight in same period) The deadline for comments had been extended to Friday 13th November.

(b) Phase 2 Willington Road – This was to be considered at the SDDC Planning Committee on Tuesday 27th October with a recommendation for approval. SDDC to be asked to record the vote.

(c) Any other applications – Applications regarding the pruning of trees to be considered at Full Council.

284 **Application for a Cultivation Licence – 62 Willington Road** – IT WAS DECIDED to object to the granting of Cultivation Licence as it was felt that it may set a precedent and the trees may obstruct the sight-line from the new development on Willington Road.

285 **Items for inclusion in the budget 2016/17** – See attached.

286 **Routine Inspections** – No requests had been received to swop routes so members were reminded to complete their inspections before the next meeting.

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

Signed

Date

Unapproved