

GREAT BUDWORTH PARISH COUNCIL
NOTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE
7.00pm 15th June 2015 Great Budworth Parish Hall

Part 1

Opened at 7pm.

1 Welcome and record attendance

Present:

Councillors: Cllr McAndrew, Cllr Hopkinson, Cllr Brudenell, Cllr Kershaw, Cllr Collier, Cllr Torrance, Cllr Lee.

Members of the Public: 6

Clerk: Caroline Marshall

2 To accept apologies for absence

Cllr Forwood

3 Declarations of Interest

Cllrs Hopkinson and Brudenell declared an interest in Planning Application 6(b) as Governors of Great Budworth Church of England Primary School.

4 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Approved at the Parish Council Meeting held on the 11th May 2015.

5 To hear representations from the public

Opened: 7:30

Representation were heard from the Headmistress and Vice Chairman of Governors for Great Budworth C of E Primary School.

They acknowledged the traffic issues that the school brings to the village but stated that the extension is not being added to allow more pupils to attend the school but to make the school environment more comfortable, practical and safer for those pupils already attending.

They advised that the wood covering of the building was based on cost and affordability which is why it is not a brick structure.

Objections to the planned application were made by a neighbouring resident who felt that a 16 ft single story development was excessive and furthermore had an issue with the wood cladding proposed to cover the building.

Closed 7:55

6 Planning Applications

- a. **15/02261/FUL** - Proposal: Single storey front/rear extension to garage
Location: 27 Westage Lane Great Budworth Northwich Cheshire

The Planning Committee opted to remain neutral on this proposal however it was agreed that the Clerk would comment on their behalf to Cheshire West and Chester Council advising that:

“The Parish Council is concerned that the proposal breaches the careful design aesthetic that was put in place when the buildings were originally constructed and that it would not be in keeping with the original design of the development.”

- b. **15/02217/FUL** – Proposal: Single storey extension to existing store and welfare outbuilding to form an additional classroom.
Location: Great Budworth Church Of England Primary School, School Lane, Great Budworth, Northwich

The Planning Committee opted to support this proposal, however it was agreed that the Clerk would comment on their behalf to Cheshire West and Chester Council advising that:

“The Parish Council supports the application but requests that clarification is sought by CWAC regarding the type of wood that will be used on the building and that they review samples prior to approval.

Furthermore the Parish Council suggests that there should be more ongoing communication between the school and neighbouring properties regarding any design issues neighbouring residents may have.

Finally, the Parish Council requests that there should be a stronger traffic management strategy in place within the application in order to tackle the ongoing issues that the school traffic brings to the village.”

7 Recent Planning Application Approvals

- a. **15/01121/FUL** Proposal: Erection of Detached Garage/Outbuilding
Location: 32 School Lane, Great Budworth, Northwich, Cheshire, CW9 6HQ

8 Terms of Reference for Planning Meetings

Cllr McAndrew circulated an updated draft Terms of Reference (Appendices 1) for the Planning Committee.

These were agreed by all with the following additions:

- Inclusion of reference to the Planning Committee have delegated powers from the Parish Council.
- Details of where the public will be informed about Planning Committee Meetings and view agendas and minutes.
- Details of when the Chairman for the Planning Committee is elected.

Action: Clerk to update Terms of Reference (Appendices 2)

Updated Terms of Reference to be presented to Full Council at the Parish Council Meeting on the 6th July 2015 for acceptance and formal adoption.

Agreed by all that a review of the Planning Committees Terms of Reference should be undertaken yearly at the Annual Council Meeting.

It was agreed by all that the Parish Clerk should attend and minute Planning Meetings in the future in accordance with advice from ChALC and the Internal Auditor who undertook a review of Council procedures in May 2015. As a result the Staffing Committee will meet to review the Clerks contracted hours.

9 Dates of Meeting

3rd August 2015 at 7pm.

Part 2

Items of a “confidential or other special nature” during which it is likely that the meeting will not be open to the public and press as there would be a disclosure of exempt information as defined in Section 100l of the Local Government Act 1972.

Signed as a true record

Cllr McAndrew
Chairman
6th July 2015