

Chetwynd Aston & Woodcote Parish Council

MINUTES of the Extraordinary General Meeting of Chetwynd Aston & Woodcote Parish Council held on 15th November 2022 at 7:30pm at Church & Chetwynd Aston Village Hall

Present: Cllrs; Askin, Good, Harper (Chairman), Hardy, Page

In Attendance: Mr C Furnival (Clerk), Cllr Eade (Telford & Wrekin Council)

22/23.45 Apologies and declarations of Interest

No apologies or declarations made at the meeting.

22/23.46 Public Session

No members of the public were present.

22/23.47 Chairman's Announcements

The Chairman thanked members for their extra attention to local planning applications over the last few weeks and noted that while appreciates councillors can have discussions on these subjects outside of meetings, they must leave decisions to Full Council to decide in order to adhere to the Standing Orders.

22/23.48 Minutes of the Full Council meeting held 28th September 2022

Members agreed to change the location of the bench under item 22/23.36 to read 'The Wheatsheaf' and not 'Norwood House'.

Cllr Page was concerned that a precedent could be set with regards to the comments made on TWC/2022/0785.

It was proposed by Cllr Good and seconded by Cllr Page, all were in favour, thus **RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the last meeting as a true record.**

22/23.49 Matters arising, for information, from the 28th September 2022 minutes not otherwise on the agenda

The parish council has been allocated an officer's time for the development of a Road Safety Scheme on Pave Lane and a meeting is scheduled for 22nd November 2022.

22/23.39 – Cllr Harper has spoken with the site manager for Woodcote Quarry and has received a commitment that the road will be swept twice a week during the winter period and drivers will be reminded that they cannot turn right out of the site onto the A41.

Cllr Hardy reported that drivers are now working out of hours due to working on Sundays. It was agreed to pursue a meeting with NRS to discuss operations at the site and raise concerns such as this one. It was proposed by Cllr Good and seconded by Cllr Askin, all in favour, thus **RESOLVED to write NRS to secure a site meeting with them.**

Cllr Harper has tried to speak with the owners of Woodcote Church but there has been some staff changes recently. Cllr Harper will continue pursue a meeting with the owners to try to seek some level of principle agreement whereby the parish council could seek support from national conservation charities to fund future improvements to this historical building.

22/23.50 TWC/2022/0854 - Land North/East of Chetwynd Aston Roundabout, A518

Cllr Eade was asked to give an outline on the position of this planning application. He noted the following matters:

- Outline approval given in March 2021 for a mixed-use development on the premise of it being 65 dwellings and this application is for 215. This is materially different from the original outline application.
- Huge impact on local infrastructure.
- Pre-app advice was that residential was found to be generally acceptable however local infrastructure needs to be a consideration.
- Telford & Wrekin Councils own housing needs study does suggest that additional 215 aren't needed at present time. We already have homes built under local plan.
- Pressure on social and environmental infrastructure in Newport will be affected.
- Telford & Wrekin Council are wanting to secure s106 for dual carriage-way on the A518 and to put another island on this stretch.
- At a previous planning meeting he did ask that a footpath and cycleway to be considered at any future applications in this location.

Members discussed this application in line with how other applications in this parish have been approved.

There would be significant impacts on local routes such as the A518, A41 and Pave Lane. It is important that if this application were approved then road safety mitigations need to be addressed.

Members felt that, as this will affect our local community, we must argue the density of the development, the effects on road safety and pedestrian safety and the loss of the green corridor between this parish and Newport.

Following a lengthy discussion on this application, it was proposed by Cllr Good and seconded by Cllr Page, all were in favour, thus **RESOLVED to object to this application on the grounds of the above discussion. Subject to the conditions that, should this application be approved, then road safety mitigations need to be addressed directly with the developers and Telford & Wrekin Council.**

Meeting finished: 20:22

Date of the next meeting: 23rd November 2022, 7:30pm at the Aston Room, Church & Chetwynd Aston Village Hall

These minutes are to be considered as a draft form until signed at the next appropriate meeting, the signed copy will be retained by the Parish Council.

Signed: Dated:/...../.....