

## ETTINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of 8 August 2018

**Present: (Councillors)** J Collins, J Henry, D Hughes, R Hawksworth, L Holtom and R Smith of Ettington Parish Council

**In Attendance:** Sarah Furniss, Clerk to Parish Council, Cllr Penny Anne O'Donnell, Stratford District Council and 7 members of the public

1 **Apologies for Absence** None received

2 **Acceptance of Apologies for Absence** Not applicable

3 **Declaration of Disclosure Pecuniary Interest** None declared.

4 **To Confirm Minutes** It was **resolved** that the minutes of the meeting of 11 July 2018 be confirmed as a true record.

5 **Community Centre Update** – not covered

6 **Warwickshire County Council/Stratford District Council update** – not covered

7 **Open Forum**

The overgrown nature of the footpath on Halford Road was raised and it was confirmed that Warwickshire County Council have been informed of this and asked that it be reinstated. The clerk advised that WCC's website has a facility for reporting such matters ([Warwickshire.fixmystreet.com](http://Warwickshire.fixmystreet.com))

The issue of lack of visibility due to overgrowth on roundabout was raised and it was agreed that the Clerk will request the roundabout be scheduled for a cut.

8 **Planning Matters**

### **A – Applications**

**18/02020/TPO** T76 - London Plane - Crown lift to 5.2metres over road at Ettington Chase Conference Centre Banbury Road, Ettington, CV37. **No comment submitted.**

**18/01780/FUL** Resubmission of application for expired permission 14/01825/FUL –insertion of rooflight and gable dormer window to living space above existing garage within south elevation At Spring Cottage , Idlicote Road, Fulready, Ettington CV37 7PE It was **resolved** that no objection will be submitted.

**18/02093/FUL** : Erection of pair of semi detached dwellings; creation of vehicular access and parking area, and all associated works At Land Off, Halford Road, Ettington, **Comments due by: 14 August 2018.**

Members of the public were invited to make comment and an e-mail from the Clerk to the Friends Meeting House was read out. Having listened to the comments made and discussed the application it was **resolved** that an objection will be made on the following grounds:

- The Yew Tree has a TPO and is a significant feature of some age and stature. Its felling would negatively impact on the street scene. The WCC survey states it has at least 40 healthy years but Yew Trees are known to be very, very long lived.
- The reasons for the refusal and upholding of this refusal at appeal (77/01450/FUL) remain largely unchanged and we would ask that you refer to, and take account of, these.
- The negative impact on the setting of two Grade 2 listed buildings (Friends Meeting House and Ettington Hall);
- The target for housing requirements in Ettington has been exceeded;
- The nature of worship at the Friends Meeting House is one of quiet and tranquillity which would be impacted upon if this application was granted – services are held every Sunday and the garden is frequently utilised by both parishioners and Quakers for quiet contemplation. The Meeting House is the only Meeting House that has been continually used for worship since 1686 and the foundation of Quakerism.

Signed as a true record..... Cllr D Hughes, 12 September 2018

- The splay required to enable visibility (the proposed entrance being on a bend in the road) would require a broad opening which would significantly impact on availability of parking. Halford Road is used extensively for parking on Sundays by worshippers and in school term time by parents. The latter being highlighted recently at a meeting with Nadhim Zahawi when the issue of parking by parents was discussed – Halford Road is used because there is a cutting through to Manor Lane/Ivy Lane from which the pedestrian crossing can be accessed which enables a safe walking route to school.
- The area has suffered flooding in the past. There is a spring rising in the vicinity which regularly results in a stream running down the road. The increased hardstanding and removal of trees would exacerbate this situation.
- The majority of properties on that stretch of Halford Road are not connected to the mains sewage system but have septic tanks. It is understood, therefore, that it would not be possible to connect to mains sewage.
- This area of the village is very rural in nature and if this application was granted it would negatively impact on the street scene;
- In Stratford District Council’s Special Landscape Area Study (June 2012), which was commissioned to protect and enhance the more valued landscapes, Ettington is reported to be within the Feldon Parkland Special Landscape Area and the report states “Ettington contributes strongly to the local landscape character”.

**B – Decisions**

***18/01262/FUL and 18/01263/LBC (2 Dairy Court) Granted***

**C Ongoing/Pending Matters**

- 17/01822/FUL***  
***17/01086/***  
***17/02941/FUL and 17/02495/LBC***  
***17/10186/FUL***  
***18/00147/DDT***  
***18/00756/FUL***  
***18/00423/FUL***

It was agreed that the list of ongoing pending matters will, in future, only show those applications to which the Council has objected.

**9 Finance Report** – It was **resolved** that the payments listed be authorised.

Dates of Future Meetings (meetings commence at 7.30 and are held in the Lounge at Ettington Community Centre unless otherwise stated).  
 12 September 2018  
 11 October 2018