

PAPPLEWICK PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON WEDNESDAY 23rd February 2005

Present: **Cllr Mr I Griffiths (chairman)**
 Cllr Mr R Hull (Vice Chairman)
 Cllr Mrs S Roberts
 Cllr Mr S Walker
 Cllr Mr C Womble

Parishioners 2 Mr & Mrs Kerr

Cllr Jane Johnson Linby Parish Council

The meeting commenced at 7.25 p.m.

OPEN FORUM

It was noted that land north of Papplewick Lane was not mentioned in handouts. Seems to have been omitted in error.

The question was raised of as to whether the Parish Council intended to in some way mark the occasion of the wedding of Prince Charles and Mrs Parker Bowles. It was agreed to defer this until the next meeting on the 23rd March.

Objections to the Gedling BC plan were against the industrial units. Housing had never been included in the deposit drafts. Gedling BC had agreed that valid objections could be made (e.g. potential flooding issues, school provision, transport etc) Each would be given a relative weighting. It was stated that Flooding would be regarded as significant. The question of expectations of the light rail extensions being put in place before any housing were discussed. This seemed to be very unlikely. There was a brief discussion about Gedling BC's attempts to reject objections. The Chairman agreed that these were not valid.

1. APOLOGIES

Cllr J Robinson
Cllr D Hubbard

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

3. DISCUSSION ON THE RESPONSE TO LOCAL PLAN

Cllr Ian Griffiths and Cllr C Womble were the Parish Council representatives on GAG5

Cllr Womble pointed out that Gedling BC policy on parking guidelines followed those of Nottinghamshire CC. Cllr Griffiths will bring this to the attention of GAG5.

Cllr Griffiths handed out

- a) a list of suggested objections (prepared by Linby PC and GAG5)
- b) a paper prepared by Ken Maffam Associates outlining the basis for possible objections.

It was noted that the first 6 points were applicable to any aspect of the local plan and would be included in the Parish Council response. The 6 points relating to Top Wighay, being relevant, would also be included.

Items considered to be of particular importance were

1. Impact on traffic volumes (both Top Wighay and Papplewick Lane development would impact on traffic travelling through the village.
2. Evidence of lack of demand for new industrial sites. (availability of employment land at Annesley and Hucknall and the closure of the Hucknall job Centre.
3. Environmental impacts on particularly on wildlife including endangered and protected species.
4. Effects on the water table in the flood plain.
5. Pressure on recreational space.
6. Concerns that some green belt was not being developed initially but simply being redesignated as White Land (i.e. available for development.
7. Lack of support infrastructure particularly schools and General practitioner medical facilities.

It was agreed that the response should make reference to the fact that the Parish Council do not believe that the original objections have been taken into account.

The chairman suggested that working groups be set up.

It was agreed that Cllr Walker would cover PM245, development of land North of Papplewick Lane.

Cllrs Griffiths, Walker and Womble will lead on the formal Parish Council response.

This will include, original objections, housing numbers, employment and housing at Top Wighay, Development land North of Papplewick Lane, Development land at Ravenshead and Bestwood Village and transport policy based on 2002 Structure Plan.

4. Other Business

Concern was expressed over the newly erected 2metre high fencing on the frontage of the Cross Roads Development seemingly in contravention of planning approval. If sound deadening work is required the Parish Council would prefer the height of the existing stone wall to be increased. The clerk will take this up with Gedling BC.

Suspicious cars had again been spotted in the village hall car park. This had been reported to PC Andy Vale the village beat officer.

It was agreed that the financial assistance of £100.00 be provided to cover the cost of a series of half day training courses being undertaken by the clerk.

14 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 23rd March 2005 at 7.15pm

The meeting ended at 9.40pm

Signed Chairman Vice Chairman