

PAPPLEWICK PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON WEDNESDAY 22ND JUNE

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

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The meeting commenced at 7.45 p.m.

The meeting was called to discuss the Gedling Local Plan and to consider the request from the GAG5 chairman to commit further funding in support of possible legal objection against its implementation

1. APOLOGIES

Cllr J Robinson

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

none.

3. UPDATE ON GEDLING LOCAL PLAN

The chairman advised the meeting that the Plan had been formally adopted by Gedling BC on 1st June 2005. (it was noted that less than 50% of Gedling councillors voted in favour) This date represented the commencement of a six week consultation period.

The plan would formally come into effect on 23rd August.

The last GAG5 meeting held on 15th June met to discuss the various options available to continue objections to the plan. A decision was taken to seek further legal advice subject to finance being made available. A letter was sent to the chairman of each of the five councils comprising the GAG5 group asking for further funding of £250.00.

This funding would be in addition to the £1000.00 already contributed by the Parish Council

Cllr Womble reported that he had he had attended a meeting with Ashfield DC (along with representatives from Newstead and Linby Parish Councils.

Ashfield DC will object to the plan but only that which covers Top Wighay and land North of Papplewick Lane. Ashfield DC will also put forward to GOEM suggested modifications based on impact of development in Ashfield DC area.

Councillors expressed concerns that, in agreeing to contribute £250.00 towards Counsels opinion, this might imply that further funding would be made available if the advice was that a legal challenge could be successful.

In this event Gedling BC would also certainly mount an appeal.

Ken Maffam, consultant to GAG5, had suggested that such an action could result in costs of around £30,000.

It was agreed that whilst the Parish Council would continue to support others in any further legal challenges, funding for such would be limited to £250.00 towards the cost of obtaining learned counsels opinion.

A brief debate followed on the refusals by Gedling BC to accept a large proportion of the objections received following its consultation exercise, thus denying respondents the opportunity to inform the decision making process.

It was agreed that a formal letter expressing concerns be sent to both Jim Fitzpatrick at Gedling BC and Paddy Tipping the MP for Sherwood.

A second meeting will be called once Counsel's opinion has been received.

4. A.O.B.

A request had been made by the village playgroup for use of the playing field at which alcohol would be served. This was agreed provided that the playgroup arrange suitable insurance cover in respect of alcohol consumption and that sight of such cover be presented before the event.

The Moor Pond Wood Steering Committee also requested that the field be used for their annual barbeque event. This was agreed

It was reported that damage had been caused to the Astroturf surfacing on the playing field due to a Barbeque being lit. A resident had admitted responsibility and agreed to make full payment for the cost of repairs. The clerk will write formally indicating that an invoice will be presented once the cost of repairs had been ascertained.

Problems were again being experienced with South Herts Contractors Lorries using the village as a short cut. The clerks will write to Nottinghamshire County Council (by whom the contractors are engaged).

Signed Chairman Vice Chairman