

ALSAGER TOWN COUNCIL

**PLANNING COMMITTEE**

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD IN THE ALSAGER INSTITUTE  
ON TUESDAY 14<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2010

Present: Councillor C V Burgess (Chairman)

Councillor Mrs D Burgess  
Councillor Mrs M Camm  
Councillor A Snape.  
Councillor W Stevenson  
Councillor R Tyson  
Councillor Mrs J Williams

T Fitton (Town Clerk)

10/143 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Mrs J Burgess and W Howell.

10/144 Declarations of Interest

Councillor Snape declared an interest in all planning applications.

10/145 Minutes of the Meeting – 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2010

Resolved: That, the Minutes of the meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2010 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman, subject to the inclusion of one member of the press and recording that there were no Highways or Licensing matters dealt with at the meeting.

10/146 Public Participation

There were no members of the public present.

10/147 Planning Applications

The Planning Committee considered Planning Applications registered with Cheshire East Council as follows:

Week ending 26/11/10  
Week ending 03/12/10  
Week ending 10/12/10

Resolved: That, the Planning Committee's formal comments on all applications registered with Cheshire East Council up to week ending 10/12/10, be forwarded to the Planning Officer, Cheshire East Council. (See Appendix A)

10/148 Decisions List

Resolved: That, the Decisions List be received and noted.

10/149 Local Development Framework – Core Strategy

Cheshire East Council are undertaking 1<sup>st</sup> stage consultations on the LDF Core Strategy Issues and Options Paper now before the Committee.

It asks some fundamental questions about what we want Alsager to be like in 2030, how much growth we should plan for and where new development should be located in the borough.

There are three options for consultation which are basically:

**Option 1:**

This option is based on existing plans from the former constituent authorities, and recommends growth in Crewe and towns in the south of the borough including Alsager. Under this option most development would occur in Crewe and the five towns i.e. Alsager, Congleton, Middlewich, Sandbach and Northwich.

**Option 2:**

Calls for a significant release of Green Belt land around Macclesfield where the significant development would take place. Alsager and the other towns in the south of the borough would see redevelopment of existing sites in and around the towns.

**Option 3:**

This option would focus development on Crewe and Macclesfield with limited growth for Alsager.

Under options 2 and 3 there would be a lower level of development in Alsager.

This initial consultation will be followed by consultation in 2011 on Town Plan sites/allocations for Alsager and options for consultation to the broader community.

Responses are required by 17<sup>th</sup> December 2010.

In addition, Cheshire East Council are consulting on a Draft Interim Planning Policy on the release of housing land and a Draft Interim Planning Statement on Affordable Housing.

Following a discussion it was:-

Resolved: a) That, Cheshire East Council's Planning Department be informed that Alsager Town Council and Alsager Partnership were currently focusing on the preparation of the Alsager Town Plan, and the LDF Core Strategy would form the basis for the Town Plan.

b) That, in the meantime the Chairman Councillor C V Burgess, together with Councillors Mrs M Camm and W Stevenson be appointed to prepare the Town Council's response to the LDF Core Strategy Questionnaire.

c) That, Councillors be urged to respond to individually to the LDF Core Strategy Questionnaire.

10/150      Highways Issues

Resolved:      That, Cheshire East Council's Highways Department be informed of the defective street lights adjacent to No's 1 and 18 Ivy Lane and 30 Derwent Close Alsager.

10/151      Licensing Issues

There were no licensing issues to report.

The meeting commenced at 7pm and concluded at 7.10pm.

Councillor C V Burgess  
Chairman