

ALSAGER TOWN COUNCIL

PLANNING, ENVIRONMENT AND COMMUNITY SERVICES
COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD IN ALSAGER INSTITUTE
ON TUESDAY 26TH JUNE 2018

Present: Councillor R Fletcher (Chairman)

Councillor S Helliwell
Councillor D I Hough
Councillor C Pletscher
Councillor H Robinson
Councillor J Smith
Councillor P Williams

N Clarke (Town Clerk)

1 Member of the Press
11 Members of the public

The Chairman read out the fire action procedure in the event of discovering a fire in the building.

PEC18/16 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors S Bishop, C V Burgess, D Burgess, M Gruse, T E S Jones, D Keen and R Tyson.

PEC18/17 Declarations of Interest

Councillor D I Hough declared his interest as a member of Cheshire East Council and a member of their Strategic Planning Board, he further declared that he would not be providing an opinion or voting on any application that he considered may be the subject of determination by the Strategic Planning Board.

Councillor R Fletcher declared his interest as a member of Cheshire East Council.

Councillor H Robinson declared her interest as a member of ANPSG.

Councillor J Smith declared her interest as a member of ANPSG.

Councillor C Pletscher declared her interest as a member of ANPSG.

Councillor P Williams declared his interest as a member of ANPSG.

Councillor S Helliwell declared her interest in 18/2522C – land to the South of Crewe Road, Alsager.

PEC18/18 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the Meeting dated Tuesday 5th June 2018 were referred to and it was:

Resolved: That, the Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning, Environment and Community Services Committee dated Tuesday 5th June 2018 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

PEC18/19 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

PEC18/20 Public Participation

The Chairman read out Standing Order 2 in respect of Public Participation.

Members of the public spoke on:

1. An update on whether a multi-agency task force is working with residents at the Radway estate?
2. Planning Application 18/2312C. Is this application to be determined under delegated authority as it is a strategic site linking Alsager and Haslington?
3. An update for uploading audio recordings of Council meetings to the website was requested.

PEC18/21 Planning Applications

The Planning, Environment and Community Services Committee considered Planning Applications registered with Cheshire East Council as follows:

Week ending 08/06/18
Week ending 15/06/18
Week ending 22/06/18

Resolved: To suspend Standing Orders to allow members of the public to speak on Planning Application 18/2522C.

Councillor D I Hough declared an interest in Planning Application 18/2522C and left the room.

Councillor S Helliwell declared an interest in Planning Application 18/2522C and took no part in the debate.

Councillor D I Hough returned to the meeting following the decision by the Planning Committee.

Members of the public objected to the application as follows:

- Health & Safety issues as the site is in the outer blast zone for BAE.

- Traffic congestion and Air Quality problems with the proposed increase in housing opposite the site.
- Concerns on flooding and the necessity to re-align Valley Brook and potential consequences.
- Very little economic benefits as few jobs will be created.
- Warehousing is contrary to the Neighbourhood Plan Survey which show a need for smaller set up units.

Resolved: That, the Planning, Environment and Community Services Committee's formal comments on all applications registered with Cheshire East Council up to week ending 22/06/18 be forwarded to the Planning Officer, Cheshire East Council. (Appendix A)

Objection to 18/2312C – Ashfields Farm, Haslington was submitted on 11th June 2018 as a Chairman's action.

PEC18/22 Decisions List

The Chairman referred to the circulated decisions list as received from the Planning Authority, Cheshire East Council up to week ending 22/06/18.

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

PEC18/23 Planning Application 17/1094C – White Moss Quarry

Resolved: That, the submission to be read at Strategic Planning Committee on 27th June 2018 be approved.

PEC18/24 Neighbourhood Plan

Resolved: To receive the notes from the Alsager Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group held on 2nd May 2018.

PEC18/25 Budget Monitoring Statement

Resolved: That, the Budget Monitoring Statement for P2 FY2018/19 (May 2018) be received.

PEC18/26 Alsager Play Areas

Councillor P Williams outlined the aims of a joint working group to consult with residents and produce a report on proposals for future developments of Alsager Play areas and open spaces.

Resolved: i) That a working group is formed by September 2018 with membership to comprise:

- 1x member of Alsager Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group
- 2x Alsager Town Councillors
- 4x members of the public (with no more than one member from any one particular group representing a park, neighbourhood or public open space).
- An open invitation to appropriate representatives of Cheshire East Council and ANSA Officers.

- Cheshire East Council Ward Members for Alsager.
- ii) That, Terms of Reference be brought back to a Planning, Environment & Community Committee meeting for approval.

PEC18/27 Police Issues

Resolved: To receive a written report from Councillor S Bishop on his attendance at the Police and Crime Commissioners Parish and Town Liaison meeting on 5th June 2018.

PEC18/28 Highways Issues

The Chairman asked for highway items to be raised:

- An update on Close Lane road widening and culvert issues.
- A puffin crossing on Hassall Road is scheduled for work to be completed in 2018.
- A speed monitor is due to be installed on Sandbach Road North.
- Speeding on Fairview car park.

Resolved: i) That, the Town Clerk contact Cheshire East Council on issues:

- Audley Road congestion.
- Unsafe trees on Church Road.

ii) That, the Highways Action Log is received.

PEC18/29 Licensing Issues

None reported

The meeting commenced at 7.15pm and concluded at 8.50pm.

Councillor R Fletcher
Chairman