

WESTON AND BASFORD PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING
HELD 3RD FEBRUARY 2015

PRESENT	Councillors J Densem (Chairman) Councillors J Cornell (Vice-Chairman) Councillors J Chamberlain, J Chambers, E Dickenson, J Edwards, L Gill, T Gill, P Grant and M Jones
APOLOGIES	Councillor T. Eatough
IN ATTENDANCE	Councillor J Clowes 150 Local Residents

106. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were invited to declare their interest in any item on the Agenda.
No Declarations were made.

107. PLANNING APPLICATION 14/5671N - FORMER GOLF CLUB ABBEY PARK WAY, WESTON

Proposed housing development (approximately 900 new dwellings), together with associated new employment development, a new primary school, indoor and outdoor recreation facilities, supporting retail development and the layout of significant areas of new landscaped open space to complement both the new development and the existing Gorstyhill Country Park.

The Chairman welcomed David Malcolm (Principal Planning Manager) and Ben Hayward (Major applications Team leader) Planning Officers from Cheshire East Council who explained the process and procedure for dealing with this Planning Application.

Councillor J Cornell, Chairman of the Planning Committee outlined the scope and parameters of the meeting and handed over to the two officers who described the proposal along with the processes involved.

The Chairman invited members and residents to ask questions and make comments regarding the process and procedure for the determination of the application.

The Officers explained that, at this stage, the application was for outline permission with an indicative master plan seeking to establish the principle of development with no matters reserved at this stage.

This initial consultation phase was for 21 days with comments being sought by 25th February 2015.

The Cheshire East web-site contained full details of the application and guidance on submitting observations.

In response to a question regarding the Section 106 Agreement relating to the original development of Wychwood Park and Village the Officers explained that any new permission would be independent of that Agreement which could, in any event, be varied.

The proposed development site was not designated as Green Belt but as open countryside.

Councillor J Cornell advised on the most effective way for residents to comment on the proposals with particular reference to the necessity to ensure that all comments are made on planning grounds. He outlined some of the relevant material Planning Issues involved.

The Guidance note containing these issues, as a guideline for residents is appended to these Minutes and was distributed at the meeting. It was also available on the Parish Council's website.

The Chairman concluded by thanking the Officers for their attendance and advice.

CHAIRMAN