



## **WOMBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL**

### **Minutes of the PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING**

held on **Monday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2021** at 8.10pm.

This meeting was held in the Council Chamber, Civic Centre, Gravel Hill, Wombourne, WV5 9HA.

#### **Present -**

Councillors: Dan Kinsey (Vice-Chairman), Claire McIlvenna, Alan Peace (Chairman), John Pike, Mary Roberts, Ken Upton.

Non-Committee Councillors – N/A

Clerk: Rachael Wright

Member of the public: 1 from Apse Close

#### **10/21 – Apologies**

Apologies were received from Councillor Vince Merrick.

#### **11/21 – Declarations of Interest**

Councillor Mary Roberts declared an interest in planning application 21/00941/FUL as her friends own the property.

#### **12/21 – Appointment of Vice-Chairman**

This item was left on the agenda in error. Councillor Dan Kinsey was appointed Vice-Chairman at the last meeting.

#### **13/21 – Approval of last Committee Meeting Minutes from 20<sup>th</sup> September 2021**

Members approved the minutes as being a true records of the meeting.

#### **14/21 – Matters arising from the meeting of 20<sup>th</sup> September 2021**

None.

#### **15/21 – Environmental considerations**

Members agreed that It would be useful to have a set of criteria they would like to see for any new build properties in Wombourne, for example renewable energy such as solar panels. Members agreed to consider this item when looking at applications for new build houses and discuss further considerations when they arise. Councillor Dan Kinsey encouraged Members to take a look at the newly adopted climate change action plan for South Staffordshire Council.

**16/21 – Local Plan**

The Chairman allowed the resident from Apse Close to speak, who explained he was concerned about residents being able to respond to the consultation, especially when the one to one sessions in Wombourne were being held just one day after the consultation starts. Councillor Dan Kinsey explained residents can attend any session, not just the one in Wombourne.

Members agreed to pay for the two posters South Staffordshire Council had sent them to be printed so that they could be put up in noticeboards, shops, Leisure Centre and pubs in Wombourne. Councillor Dan Kisney informed Members that there would be a large piece in the Review Magazine which was distributed to every house in the district about the consultation. In addition, Members noted that if residents had previously signed up for updates in relation to the Local Plan, they would have received an email from South Staffordshire Council about the consultation. Members agreed the Parish Council should promote the consultation as widely as possible, including on their website, in social media, and noticeboards and encourage as many residents as possible to respond.

The resident from Apse Close left the meeting.

**17/21 – To consider responses to the following planning applications:**

**a) 21/01039/LBC– Bratch Locks, 23, 24 & 25 Bratch Lane, Wombourne**

No objection. Members noted it was the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Staffordshire and Worcester Canal in 2022, and Councillor Peace informed Members he had contacted the Canal and River Trust to see what their plans were to celebrate the event.

**b) 21/01036/FUL – 76 Bratch Lane, Wombourne**

Objection – this property would be considerably out of keeping from the rest of the street scene. The size of the extension is unacceptable, and there would be insufficient space for parking. Bratch Lane is a narrow lane and parking on the road could lead to accidents. If the planning authority deem this application acceptable, there should be a traffic plan in place.

**c) 21/00981/FUL – 14 Windmill Bank, Wombourne**

No objection, however, consideration needs to be given for the noise of the extraction fan for residents living above the premises. In addition, traffic management and parking considerations need to be reviewed. Can the principal authority confirm why no COU application to class E premises has been issued?

**d) 21/01030/FUL – 6 Ounsdale Road, Wombourne**

No objection, this is a large plot with an extended rear garden.

**e) 21/0941/FUL – 20 Chandler Drive, Penn**

No objection.

**f) 21/01091/FUL – 26 Quendale, Wombourne**

No objection.

**The meeting closed at 9.12pm.**

**Signed:** .....

**Dated:** .....