

OVER ALDERLEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD

FRIDAY 15TH APRIL, 2016 at 7:45 p.m.

at OVER ALDERLEY & BIRTLES READING ROOM, BIRTLES LANE, OVER ALDERLEY.

PRESENT - Councillors: J. Potts (Chairman), I. Beaumont.
Members of Public (7).
Dr. E. M. Maddock - Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer.

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** - Councillor S. Wren - Currently out of the country.
Councillor D. Caplin - Ill health.
Councillor S. Clarke - Work commitments.
Councillor D. Burns - Family event.
Cheshire East Borough Councillor P. Findlow.

Decision a) To receive and approve the apologies for absence as listed above.

No apologies had been received from Councillor J. Venables who was absent from the meeting.

The Chairman declared that the meeting of the Parish Council could not continue as a quorum of Councillors was not present.
The meeting was declared closed by the Chairman at 7:50p.m.

Signed:

Approval Date - 16th May, 2016

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PUBLIC OPEN MEETING FRIDAY 15TH APRIL AT 7:50p.m.

Present: Councillors J. Potts, I. Beaumont, D. Burns (Part), Seven residents, Dr. E. M. Maddock (Clerk & RFO)

The Chairman invited residents to participate in an open public meeting to make known their views regarding planning application 16/1420M - Demolition of existing garages and construction of 5 no. 2 bed 4 person houses within curtilage parking and additional parking for use by visitors at Garage site at eastern end of Ashbrook Road, Over Alderley.

A discussion ensued during which observations were raised by residents present about several aspects of the proposed development including the following:

- Proposed development area currently provides a place for children to play with little interference from traffic.
- The area is already densely populated and further dwellings in the area would have an impact upon the quality of life of existing residents.
- The proposed development would increase the number of vehicles using Festival Drive and Ashbrook Road which may exacerbate existing access and parking issues. (Some residents do not have parking facilities within curtilage.)
- Concern regarding the process for allocating the properties which may not give priority to local residents.
- Concern regarding the loss of the garages and the impact upon those using the garage facilities.
- It is considered that the existing sewerage and drainage infrastructure may not be adequate to service additional properties. There are existing issues with the sewerage system which is already impacting upon neighbouring farmland.
- Objection to the loss of trees on the site that may be removed to allow the development.
- The design of the proposed dwellings is out of character with existing dwellings in the vicinity.
- The location of proposed development is not sustainable as there are no shops, bus routes or other amenity services in the area.

Residents advised that a petition had been prepared for submission to Cheshire East Council raising objections to the proposed development and the Parish Council were requested to submit comments to support the objections raised by residents.

Those Councillors present advised that they would be willing to recommend to the Parish Council that representations should be submitted to Cheshire East Council to object to the design of the proposed dwellings and raise concern relating to the adequacy of sewerage/drainage facilities and potential highway issues. No objections were, however, raised to the principle of providing affordable housing within the parish subject to local residents being given priority during the allocation process.

The Chairman thanked members of the public for attending the meeting and making known their concerns.

The meeting was declared closed at 9:10p.m.

Signed:

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