

**Minutes of the Planning Committee
Held on 25 August 2011 at 7.30pm**

Present:	Cllr R Greatrex (in the Chair), Cllr S Wallis, Cllr J Tomkinson, Cllr D Watson-Jones, Cllr M Smith, Jamie McLaren (taking notes)
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Press and Public Open Forum:

7 members of public present - Mr & Mrs Sargeant, Mr & Mrs Palfrey, Mr & Mrs Rogers, Mr Paul Boston

Comments re.: 11/15904/PTEL - 15m telecommunications pole, dish & cabinets
Newport Road, Gnosall
Applicant: T-Mobile

Mr & Mrs Sargeant

- 50 yards from their property
- Children play close to the area (Chippy Jumps)
- Danger to health
- Visual impact
- Very close to The Royal Oak beer garden / play area
- No significant reasons why mast cannot be put in another area
- No significant reasons for chosen location

Mr & Mrs Palfrey

- Similar concerns as Mr & Mrs Sargeant
- Aesthetically surprising to put mast in that location
- Suggested location is part of the National Cycle Route
- Impact on visitors to the area
- Feel it should be tucked away from sight
- Goes against what we have been working towards for the village (BKV)
- Concerns about health impacts.

Mr & Mrs Rogers

- Concerns about health implications
- Feel that the impacts have not been fully investigated.

Mr Paul Boston

- Health concerns are paramount
- Aesthetics impact
- Feels it will show village in a bad sight
- No concern for people living in nearby surroundings
- Too near a children's play area
- Shows no consideration for local amenities
- Proposed site part of the National Cycle Route
- May deter people from using the Playbuilder
- Wants reasons why this site was chosen out of 4 possible locations.

Cllr Mike Smith

- In agreement with the issues raised about health issues
- Government have set out guidelines and regulations for the emissions
- The frequency emissions may be detrimental to health
- Feels application should be refused in accordance to a report which states such applications should be implicated with precaution and should not be erected near school sites.

- Location may have been chosen in relation to cost (may be cheapest option)
- Need to get a consensus on where villagers would be happy to have the mast
- Feels it would be an unpleasant sight next to BKV sign
- Sees no reasons why it cannot be re-located on existing site

It was stated that Cllr Smith has called this application in and he suggested that one of the residents should register an interest with Stafford Borough Council's planning department, which would then allow them to raise their objections in front of the planning committee. It was confirmed that this would not be detrimental if any of the residents were to make an objection.

1 To receive apologies and note absences

Apologies received from Cllr Deegan, Cllr Payne, Cllr Alker, Cllr Abbott and Jayne Cooper

2 To receive and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 14 July 2011

The minutes of the last meeting were proposed, seconded and agreed as a true and accurate record.

3 To receive any declarations of interest

None

4 To consider any matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting

Gypsy Site - there was a public meeting on 18th August 2011 which was opened by Cllr Greatrex and was very well attended.

5 To consider the following planning applications:

11/15904/PTEL 15m telecommunications pole, dish & cabinets
Newport Road, Gnosall
Applicant: T-Mobile - **objection**

- Recommend that mast stays on existing site (fire station)
- Location is unsuitable as it is very near to children's play area (Chippy Jumps)
- Would have a visual impact to residents of Stacey Gardens (especially September - March)
- Alternative site 600m. towards Stafford on A518 (
- Any tree work requires permission from Gnosall Parish Council as it leases the land
- Would have a detrimental effect on health

Members of the Public left the meeting.

11/15711/HOU Side / rear two storey extension, additional bedroom
27 Geneshall Close, Gnosall,
Applicant: Mr A Jones - **no objection**

11/15865/HOU Single storey extension to the rear of existing bungalow
Autumn Lodge, Newport Road, Gnosall

Applicant: Mr Paul Hudson - **no objection**

11/15820/HOU Two storey rear extensions, replace windows, storage
Spring Cottage, Hollies Common, Gnosall
Applicant: Mrs R Price - **no objection**

6 To receive planning decisions and information about planning appeals

None

To deal with any correspondence or communication

None

7 To confirm the date and time of the next meeting

15th September 2011, 7.30pm

Meeting closed at 8.30pm