

CONGLETON TOWN COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE
HELD ON 8th SEPTEMBER 2011**

PRESENT Councillor D. A. Parker (Vice Chairman in the Chair)
G. Baxendale
D. T. Brown
M. Carey
G. R. Edwards
G. P. Hayes
D. S. Martin
N. T. Price

1. **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were submitted from Councillors Mrs. D. Allen, L. D. Barker, R. I. Brightwell, J. S. Crowther, D. Fletcher, Mrs. S .A. Holland, M. J. Hutton, Mrs. A. M. Martin, Mrs. J. D. Parry, Mrs. E. Wardlaw, G. S. Williams and Miss R. K. Williams.

2. **MINUTES**

PLN/14/1112 RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on 25th August 2011 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Members were reminded to declare both “personal” and “personal and prejudicial” interests as early in the meeting as they become known.

Councillors G. Baxendale and D. T. Brown declared personal interests due to being members of Cheshire East Council.

Councillor D. T. Brown declared a personal interest because of his membership of the Cheshire East Council Strategic Planning Board.

4. **OUTSTANDING ITEMS**

There were none

5. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

PLN/15/1112 RECOMMENDED: That the following comments be made to East Cheshire Borough Council:

Week ended 26th August 2011

11/2921C	Unicorn Inn. West Heath Shopping Centre, Holmes Chapel Road, Congleton, CW12 4NB	NO OBJECTION
11/2891C	21 High Street, Congleton, CW12 1BH	NO OBJECTION
11/2884C	25 Camborne Close, Congleton, CW12 3BG	NO OBJECTION
11/2811C	5 Russell Close, Congleton, CW12 3UD	NO OBJECTION
11/2879C	Land Adj. 80 Canal Road, Congleton, CW12 3AN	NO OBJECTION

NOTE: Concerns were expressed that work appears to have already commenced

Week ended 2nd September 2011

11/2614C	31 Chapel Street, Congleton, CW12	NO OBJECTION
11/2819C	1 Bridge Street, Congleton, CW12 1AY	NO OBJECTION
11/3045C	31 Chapel Street, Congleton, CW12	NO OBJECTION
11/2455M	Havannah County Primary School, Malhamdale Road, Congleton, CW12 2DA	NO OBJECTION

6. PLANNING APPEALS

11/0736C – Redevelopment of Land for up to 200 Dwellings, Community Facilities and Associated Infrastructure – Loachbrook Farm, Sandbach Road, Congleton, CW12 4TE

It was noted that correspondence had been received from Cheshire East Council dated 1st September 2011 informing that an appeal has been made following the refusal of planning permission in respect of the above application.

PLN/16/1112 RESOLVED – To write to the Planning Inspectorate to inform them that the Town Council is opposed to the application at the present time referring to the decision taken at the Planning Committee held on the 2nd June 2011.

The application was refused for the following reasons –

- a) Outside the residential zone
- b) Concerns regarding flooding – a full survey should be undertaken
- c) The size of the development
- d) Highway concerns regarding the additional volume of traffic on the already congested roads through Congleton
- e) The application contravenes the Local Plan (H6) which states that Residential Development in the Open Countryside will not be permitted unless it falls into specific categories which this application is not one of the categories.

7. LICENSING APPLICATIONS

None to report.

8. **HIGHWAYS ISSUES**

None to report

9. **FREEDOM BILL AND APPROVED PREMISES**

It was noted that correspondence had been received from Cheshire East Council dated 23rd August 2011 in respect of the Freedoms Bill and Approved Premises Seminar.

10. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

None

D. A. Parker (Vice Chairman in the Chair)