

**Minutes of the Planning Committee  
Held on 24 January 2011 at 7.30pm**

Present:	Cllr R Greatrex (in the chair) Cllr S Wallis Cllr J Tomkinson Cllr S Burgess	Cllr G Payne Cllr D Watson-Jones Cllr Booth Cllr M Deegan	Cllr A Bevington Jayne Cooper
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**Press and Public Open Forum** – 2 members of the public were present.

Nothing raised

**1 To receive apologies and note absences**

None – all committee members present

**2 To receive and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 6 January 2011**

The minutes were proposed, seconded and agreed as a true and accurate record.

**3 To receive any declarations of interest**

Cllr Payne declared an interest regarding any discussion about the St John ambulance application as he is a County member.

**4 To consider any matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting held on 6 January 2011**

A letter of apology had been received following the anonymous article published in Mobstead News regarding parish council comments at a planning committee meeting. The Chairman's right of reply would be published in the February edition.

A Local Development Framework public consultation meeting had been held on Thursday 20 January and a presentation of the main points contained within Stafford Borough Council's consultation document Local Choices was given. Comments made by residents and councillors who attended would be used to form Gnosall Parish Council's response to SBC. The Clerk to circulate a copy of the response to councillors.

**5 To consider the following planning applications:**

**10/14756/FUL** Conversion of agricultural barns to form two dwellings. Land at Knightley Park Farm, Lodge Lane, Woodseaves.

Notification had been received in the parish office that this application had been withdrawn.

**10/14687/FUL** Proposed single storey side extension and extended car park, retention of metal box container, fence and storage shed. The Royal Oak, Newport Road. Applicant: Mr Reynolds

No objection regarding the application but councillors had concerns about the entrance and exit to the car park. Previously there were two entrances/exits, one off Newport Road and one off Wharf Road. The proposed development would make the now single entrance, onto Newport Road (A518), smaller which would affect

visibility. Having two ways in and out of the car park was much safer. The Clerk to respond with these comments.

**10/14695/FUL** Cattle Barn, Brough Hall Farm, Gnosall. Applicant: Mr R Winnington

Gnosall Parish Council declared an interest as the applicant's cousin, Cllr Mark Winnington works with the Parish Council on some matters.

No objection to the application but the Clerk to inform SBC that the name and address on the plans is incorrect and not as detailed on the planning application.

**10/14876/FUL** Single Storey extension to front and rear elevation of existing bungalow. Nova Espero, Mill Lane, Gnosall. Applicant Mrs S Spencer

No objection

**10/14805/ADV Illuminated and non-illuminated signs Royal Oak Newport Road, Gnosall**

No objections but councillors had concerns that the proposed signage does not reflect the entrance/exit from Wharf Road.

## **6 To receive planning decisions and information about planning appeals**

No decisions had been made since the last meeting.

## **7 To receive an update from the working group regarding the proposed wind farm at Blymhill, Western-under Lizard and to agree a response.**

The working group had met since the last planning committee meeting and gathered information regarding the proposed wind farm. The group had also met with a STAG representative who confirmed STAG would like GPC to appoint them as agents and were not asking for any funds from GPC to assist. No decision had been made regarding this until the Clerk had obtained legal information about "section 16". A draft report put together using information the working group had gathered and which had been circulated to planning committee members beforehand was discussed.

Cllr Burgess, informed the committee that she had prepared a report and was given time to read this out. The contents of this report questioned some of the comments made in the report of the working group.

It was proposed, seconded and agreed that the Clerk looks at the two reports closely and amends as necessary to formulate the parish council's response.

It was proposed and seconded that Gnosall Parish Council objects to the two applications for the proposed wind farm development. A vote was taken with 7 voting for the objection, 1 voting against and 1 abstention.

Cllr Graham Payne left the meeting

**7 To deal with any correspondence or communication**

- Details received from St John's Ambulance, Gnosall of plans submitted to Stafford Borough Council for alternations to the porch of existing building at the Grosvenor Centre

Cllr Greatrex reported that following receipt of the letter, he had met with Mr Robson to review the drawings and found them to be incorrect both the working and the measurements. Therefore the plans would be resubmitted to Stafford Borough council and GPC would receive a second set.

- Letter from SBC re application 10/14548/FUL, Oak House Grange Road Knightley – appeal commenced 10 January 2011

The Clerk to respond with the same comments made previously.

- Letter from SBC re Royal Oak, Newport Road – confirmation that an application had now been received

Noted

- Letter from GPC to SBC re garage that has been erected at 1 Grange Road, Knightley asking whether planning permission was required

The Clerk awaits a response.

- Email from Norbury Parish Council regarding the Canal Development asking for volunteers to join a local support group which would meet with Shrewsbury and Newport Canal Trust and look at ways of linking the Norbury arm of the canal to the network

It was agreed to ask all councillors at the next meeting for a volunteer to join this group.

**8 To confirm the date and time of the next meeting**

The next meeting would be held on Thursday 17 February 2011. (Apologies received from Cllrs Greatrex, Wallis, Tomkinson)

The meeting closed at 9.20pm