

Minutes of Grandborough Parish Council

Additional Meeting on Wednesday 11th July 2018

Mr Dean, from Willowbrook, concerned Plots 8 and 9 of the proposed development, were near the rear of his property. He was not against planning development but felt the plots could be moved further away from the existing properties in Sawbridge Road. There were trees on site, but more tree planting would help buffer the site. He was also very concerned the area already had a flooding problem and this proposal would only make it worse.

Present: Cllr. R Hastie (Chairman), Cllr. H McBreen, Cllr. S McArthur and Mr Dean.

Apologies: received from Cllrs. M Bullen, R Lee, Cllr. E Crane and Mr S Marshall.

Declaration of Interests: Cllr. R Lee had declared an interest and did not attend.

Planning

Outline application for 9 no. two-storey dwellings and car park on land west of Sawbridge Road, Grandborough for Mr J Evans. R18/0405

Cllrs. viewed the plans and discussed the application. Main areas of concern were:

1. Flooding issues. Area already has a problem with flooding in heavy rain and any form of development would need to address this.
2. Problem of main foul water sewer runs under the road which feeds the main pumping station at the bottom of Hockley Close. The station is incapable of dealing with the volume of sewage and flood water. This results in sewage backing up into residential properties, and into the ditches leading to the River Leam. Severn Trent are well aware of the problem.
3. The recent development alongside Willowbrook, the four houses recently granted permission on Church/Sawbridge Road junction and the proposed two dwellings next to that site, when added to the proposed 9 dwellings will add considerably to the foul water volumes generated. This represents, approximately, a 15% increase in the number of households feeding into the present system. The proposal should make provision to reduce surface water flows in Sawbridge Road.
4. The second discussion the developer had with the Parish Council, spoke of 5 four-bedroom houses, 2 three-bedroom and 2 two-bedrooms. This mix is more in keeping with the Parish Council views.
5. We believe the land between the iron fence and Sawbridge Road is owned by WCC. Appropriate consents need to be obtained before the development of part of the land for the Village Hall car park commences.
6. Assurances the utility service can cope with a 15% increase in demand required.
7. Sympathetic landscaping and planting of trees would be required.

Chairman: Cllr. R Hastie

Date: 4th September 2018