

**MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING OF**

**KEMPSEY PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 30<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2015**

**AT 11.30AM IN THE COMMUNITY CENTRE**

**PRESENT:** - Cllr Patrick (Chairman), Cllr Gerrard and Cllr Geens, Cllr Bevan and Cllr Waller

**IN ATTENDANCE:** -

1. Apologies: None
2. Declarations of interest in items on the agenda
  - (a) Declaration of any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests - None
  - (b) Declaration of any Disclosable other – None

<b>There was no public question time.</b>
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3. The minutes of the meeting held on 06.03.15 having been previously circulated were approved and signed as a true and correct record.

4. The following planning applications were discussed:-

a) Application Ref: 05/000007/REG

Applicant: Worcestershire County Council

Proposal: A full planning application for the development of a new rail station and associated infrastructure. Two platforms, public right of way footbridge, car parking, flood attenuation and a new roundabout on the B4084.

Location: Land to the east and south of The Crucible Business Park, Norton, Worcester.

Comments:

NO OBJECTIONS

Whilst we have no objections to this development we do have major concerns regarding access from Kempsey and the villages south and east of Worcester. We believe that the lanes, particularly Brookend Lane in Kempsey and Norton Road Broomhall, will be even more heavily used as a rat run between the A38 and the proposed site.

This will cause considerable inconvenience to the residents along these lanes, as well as presenting significant traffic safety concerns.

The County Council appear to have totally ignored this issue, and we would ask that they look at sensible ways in which traffic can be controlled and/or regulated before the Parkway Station and the SWUE are developed. We do not believe that residents of the SWUE will walk or cycle to the parkway, as the distance is too great and the roads are currently unsuitable

b) Application Ref: 15/000006/CM

Applicant: Lafarge Tarmac Trading

Proposal: Proposed phased extension to existing sand and gravel quarry, consolidation of existing sand and gravel extraction and restoration to agriculture, nature conservation uses and lakes.

Location: Clifton Quarry, Clifton Arles Wood, Severn Stoke, Worcester WR8 9JE.

NO OBJECTIONS

Although this planned extension is outside the Parish Boundary it is Kempsey village that will suffer the noise and pollution caused by a constant stream of empty and then laden wagons as they travel to and from the site.

The Parish Council would like the site operators to make a generous donation to the Parish Council Community Centre Development Fund, as a means of compensating the villagers for the extra noise and disturbance that the increased traffic will cause.

The proposed site abuts SSSI Ashmoor Common and we expect the site operators will adhere to all comments and recommendations made by Natural England for the conservation of this SSSI. We further recommend that such adherence should be made a condition of any planning approval given.

Meeting closed at 12.25pm

Signed..... Chairman.....Date

