



MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held at Blidworth Library, New Lane, Blidworth, Notts, NG21 0PW on Thursday 5th January 2023 commencing at 7.00pm

Present: Councillors: J Rea, E Litchfield, H O'Hare, H Catling, C Walsh, W Bates, T Smith

Apologies: M Atherton

Clerk: C Brettell

Members of the Public: 18 (inc District Cllr T Thompson)

Abbreviations: NCC – Nottinghamshire County Council

NSDC – Newark and Sherwood District Council

BPC – Blidworth Parish Council

Action by

23/81 To receive - Declaration of interests both pecuniary and non-pecuniary and applications for dispensation on items listed on the agenda

Cllr T Smith declared an interest, as he sits on the Planning committee at NSDC.

23/82 To receive - Apologies for absence given to the Clerk

Apologies were received and noted from M Atherton

23/83 To receive comments from residents regarding the following Planning Application:

Proposal:	Development for 73 dwellings on grazing land, south of Dale Lane, Blidworth.
Site Address:	Land South Of Dale Lane Blidworth NG21 0SU
Planning Application Ref:	22/01459/FULM

The Chair welcomed residents to the meeting to discuss the Planning Applications. It was agreed to suspend standing orders to allow all residents to speak.

The following points were raised by both Parish Councillors and residents and noted:

- The NSDC Local Development framework plan review states on item 9. That the land is Greenbelt and BPC resolved back in 2015 to keep it this way.
- The land is Agricultural land
- There are significant issues with the drainage and flooding on Dale Lane. NCC report objects to this application on these grounds
- Future residents may not be able to insure their properties due to flooding issues
- Dale Lane has issues with parking, visibility onto side roads and a prime accident location
- Local amenities at full capacity i.e. the Doctor Surgery and schools
- In regard to 'squaring' the village boundary, only 4 acres of land has been taken, the rest is agricultural
- Building will not stop here if this application is passed.
- Environmental Impact – Climate change will lead to more flooding

- Difficulty getting in and out the village due to the current amount of traffic
- Properties will be devalued
- The hedgerows will be removed. The Farmer has funding for planting these and they will now be ripped out disturbing wildlife
- Planting scheme the village envelope is surrounded by green
- Wildlife identified in study 10 years ago posed a problem for development of the land
- All properties in the village require parking, many have turned their gardens into parking areas. There are too many cars already in the village and this will make the problem worse
- The planned attenuation basin is likely to overflow and flood the area
- No engagement had been considered with residents as to what the village needs
- There is no mix in housing – no demographic for older residents etc.

The Chair confirmed that the land was allocated in the NSDC Development Plan for 50 dwellings and that the Parish council would look at what 'scheme' is acceptable. He also informed residents about the Parish Councils view in developing a Neighbourhood plan and the benefits involved.

Comments would now be formulated and agreed at the next Parish Council meeting on the 19th January. Consideration would also be taken if it is necessary to lobby NSDC to remove this development from the NSDC Development plan.

23/84 To note – The date of the next Parish Council Meeting – 19th January 2023

Meeting closed 8.20pm