

HATHERTON AND WALGHERTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF PLANNING MEETING HELD ON:
WED 16TH FEBRUARY 2022, 10:00am
at DAGFIELDS, CREWE ROAD, WALGHERTON, NANTWICH, CW5 7LG

Present: Cllr James Du Pavey (Planning Chair), Cllr Ian Bennion, Cllr Chris Knibbs,
Cllr Deborah Robb, Cllr Rob Tindall

In attendance

Selina Clarke (Clerk)

1.0 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

All planning committee councillors present.

2.0 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest regarding items on the agenda.

3.0 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING HELD ON 26TH APRIL 2021

These had been previously circulated and were taken as read. There were no matters arising.
RESOLVED that the minutes be confirmed as a correct record.

4.0 21/6417N Fletchers Pool, Bridgemere Lane, Hunsterson

Change of use of land for the siting of 9 no. holiday lodges and ancillary works

Concerns on the site itself:

This site impacts on the open countryside and is next door to a working farm, Foxes Bank.

There have been two previous planning applications to build on the site but both have been refused, 12/1349N & 16/4116N.

The proposed lodges will be seen from the roadside and is contrasting diversity with what is already there. This is also supported with reference to appeal decision notice of 13/4214N - Chapel Farm, Audlem Road, Hatherton, Nantwich CW5 7QT, where the main issue is the effect of the proposed development on the character and appearance of the area. Fletchers Pool proposed development effect is even more stark.

There is not a main sewer in the area so septic tanks or cesspit will need to be installed

Concerns if it was approved:

The lodges cater for 4 people each, this suggests that there could be 36 people on site along with the staff.

This would be an increase in noise levels for local residents especially due to the open countryside.

This will increase extra traffic on Bridgemere Lane that is already suffering from excessive HGV damage. There are no pavements or street lighting so walking/cycling puts pedestrians and traffic more at risk. The entrance/exit to the site is between 2 bends in the road with limited vision, this also is an increased risk to all users of the road.

This area has no public transport links so pushes the need for more vehicles on the road.

The site will increase light pollution which will impact on the quality of dark skies in the open countryside.

Besides the 9 lodges, the site would need a permanent residence for a staff member. Concerns from the council that it is this residence that will eventually change to a Residential home.

RESOLVED to OBJECT

The meeting closed at 10:35am