

OLDBURY ON SEVERN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Council Meeting held on Monday 9th October 2013 at 6.30 pm in the Chapel School Room, Oldbury

PRESENT

Parish Councillors: Mr B Turner - Chairman, Mr K Sullivan, Mrs J. Hales & Mr G Poole.

Public: 0 Parishioners

595/13 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were accepted from Cllrs Knapp, Riddle and Baker.

596/13 Declarations of Interest in Items on the Agenda

None

597/13 Public Forum

None

598/13 Planning

Planning Applications – Discussed

PT13/3361/F – Land at Oldbury Lane , Thornbury, Bristol , South Gloucestershire BS35 1RD – Change of use from agricultural land to land for the siting of 1 no. caravan pitch for a Romany Gypsy family with associated works including hard standing and landscaping . Erection of 1 no. dayroom.

Council Response:

The application was discussed and the under mentioned statement was drafted. It proposed by Cllr Sullivan, seconded by Cllr Hales and unanimously agreed to respond to the application as follows:-

Oldbury on Severn Parish Council object to application PT13/3361/F – Land at Oldbury Lane , Thornbury, Bristol , South Gloucestershire BS35 1RD – Change of use from agricultural land to land for the siting of 1 no. caravan pitch for a Romany Gypsy family with associated works including hard standing and landscaping . Erection of 1 no. dayroom.

The site whilst not being in the Parish of Oldbury on Severn is situated adjacent to Oldbury Lane the main route for the community of Oldbury to travel out of the Parish. The population of the Parish is circa 780 living in 310 households.

Oldbury Lane is used also by the workers/visitors at the Magnox Power Station, the Business Parks further down the lane ,Agricultural vehicles and heavy transport visiting the Sewage Works ,it is a busy road particularly at certain times of the day and night . The access to the application site is at a location where the road has significant bends and the line of sight is poor made worse by recent consented development at Redcliffe House which is virtually opposite.

In the last 4 years there has been one fatal accident at this location and more recently two serious road traffic incidents one of which involved a car snapping off a telegraph pole and the other a car crossing the ditch finishing up in a Farmer's field.

We believe the access required to enable vehicular movement in and out of the application site will be prejudicial to road traffic safety as it significantly increases the risk of collision with vehicles travelling at legal speeds in both directions but particularly on the carriageway leading to Thornbury

Notwithstanding this the site is outside the Thornbury Development Boundary.

For these reasons we strongly recommend that this application is refused.

599/13 Minor Matters or Items for Next Agenda

None

This concluded the business of the meeting, which closed at 7.00 pm

Next Meeting: Tuesday 5th November 2013

Signed by Chairman

5th November 2013