

MUCH BIRCH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Emergency Meeting of Much Birch Parish Council held at Much Birch Community Hall on Thursday 8th August 2013

Present:

Cllr. Alison Cook (Chair)
Cllr. Stephen Turner (Vice-Chair)
Cllr. Terry Cook
Cllr. Jon Norris
Cllr. A. Crum

In attendance:

Parish Clerk, Alison Wright, plus Kat Le Tsar of Hereford Housing and 15 Members of the public

1.0 Planning Application for Tump Lane, Much Birch

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting. The purpose of the one agenda item meeting was to discuss the planning application detailed here and formulate the Parish Council's response to the Planning Authority.

Description: Proposed erection of 12 affordable dwellings, comprising a mixture of 2 and 3 bed houses on land off Tump Lane

Applicants: The Owner and /or Occupier

Application No: 131680/F

Grid Ref: OS 349582, 230469

Application Type: Planning Permission

A discussion of all of the concerns and issues pertaining to aspects of the application was held. Members of the public had the opportunity to raise their concerns and discuss options with the Parish Council. There was no representation from the applicant at the meeting. Road safety issues and access played a major part in the deliberations, as in the previous planning emergency meeting held. After the discussion concluded a show of hands indicated that the majority of people present were not in favour of the application.

Following the discussion, the Parish Council considered the content of the meeting and formulated the following response which was resolved to be conveyed to the Planning Department on behalf of the Parish Council.

The Parish Council of Much Birch has resolved to make the following comments in respect of the aforementioned planning application.

The Much Birch Parish Council does not object, in principle, to this application but would be seeking conditions to be applied as described below.

If the Planning Department are minded to approve the application then the Much Birch Parish Council would be seeking the imposition of four specific conditions to safeguard residents and road users:-

- 1) The reduction in speed limit for the entire length of the road known as Tump Lane from 40mph to 30mph
- 2) The imposition of a vehicular maximum weight limit of 17.5 tonnes

- 3) The installation of a pavement to enable safe pedestrian use of the road for its entire length, paying particular note to the information that the applicant/land owner also owns land on the opposite side of Tump Lane
- 4) That there be a restriction on any future proposed additional development that may seek to use the access point of this development

The meeting closed at 9.05pm

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Chairman

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Date