

Minutes of of Handforth Parish Council
Planning and Environment Committee held on 19th August 2013
at Handforth Youth Centre.

Present: Cllrs Barnes, Pincombe and Tolver.

Also present Mr J Brooks, Parish Clerk.

13/19/1 To receive apologies for absence.

None.

13/19/2 To note declarations of Members' Interests.

None.

13/19/3 Open Forum- None

13/19/4 To approve the minutes of the P & E Committee meeting of the 30th July 2013.

Cllr Pincombe proposed that the minute of the P & E Committee meeting of the 30th July 2013 be approved without alteration.

Motion carried: 2 for 1 abstention.

13/19/5 To consider a response to Cheshire East Council regarding the proposed diversion of Footpath 91, off Hall Road, Handforth.

It was proposed by Cllr Tolver that the response to CEC regarding this footpath diversion should read as follows. Handforth Parish Council considered the proposed diversion of Footpath 91 and questioned the need to divert this path. However, if a diversion is essential for the proposed works to go ahead, in the interests of public safety they would like to see low level lighting installed and the provision of adequate surface water drainage

In the approved planning application for this site 12/1627M, the public footpath is combined with a cycleway between points E, F and D. If this is how the works are to be constructed, Handforth Parish Council would like to see a physical barrier between cyclists and pedestrians. There would also be merit in restricting access for motorcycles and shopping trolleys.

Resolved: unanimously.

13/19/6 To consider a response to planning application 13/3041M an extension of time for the erection of 2 office blocks, at the corner of Earl Road and Epsom Avenue.

Cllr Pincombe proposed the following response to CEC. Handforth Parish Council support this application but are concerned that there is already a considerable amount of empty office accommodation in the Handforth Dean area. There was also concern about the lack of car parking close to this site.

Motion failed: 1 for, 2 against.

It was agreed that the Clerk be instructed to respond to CEC that Handforth Parish Council could not support this application as there is concern about the number of empty offices in the area and the limited car parking close to this site.

13/19/7 To consider a response to planning application 13/3114M, a ground floor extension at 50 Tabley Road, Handforth.

Cllr Tolver proposed that this application be supported.

Resolved: unanimously.

Meeting closed at 18:44 pm.

Chairman..... Date.....