

**CODSALL PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES**

**Planning Meeting held in the Parish Council Chamber,
Station Road, Codsall on Wednesday 28th March 2018 at 7.00 PM.**

PRESENT: Parish & District Councillor: Mrs M Barrow (Chairman)
Parish Councillors: Mrs V Chapman, B Holland, T Jeavons, I Kenyon, D Walls,
Parish & County Councillor R Spencer

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Councillors
N Caine, Mrs K Ewart, S Jenkinson, Mrs C Miller, Mrs A Morrison, P Wright

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION

None

3. MINUTES

Resolved that the Minutes of the Planning Meeting held on the 14th March 2018
be approved and signed as a true record.

4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

5. PLANNING DECISIONS

The following Planning Decisions from South Staffordshire Council were
received and noted.

18/00042/FUL Rear single storey extension
Café Saffron, 17A Church Road, Codsall
Approved with conditions

18/00070/FUL Demolish existing extension to side and build new
single storey (resubmission)
22 Princes Gardens, Codsall
Approved with conditions

18/00109/FUL First floor side and ground floor rear extensions
11 Cranford Crescent, Codsall
Approved with conditions

6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Resolved that the following recommendations be made to South Staffordshire Council:

- 18/00164/FUL** Proposed replacement garages and garden equipment store to western boundary
The Stockings, Husphins Lane, Codsall
Refusal on the following grounds:
- **Inappropriate development within the Green Belt**

7. OTHER CORRESPONDENCE

7.1 Moatbrook Nature Reserve – consideration was given for approval of a quotation for 6 pathway cuts per year for 2018/19 at a cost of £105.00 per cut (£105.00 last year).

Resolved approval.

7.2 Vehicle Activated Speed Sign – Dam Mill – consideration was given for approval for the Clerk on behalf of the Parish Council to apply for a grant from Staffordshire Safer Roads Partnership Grant Fund for a Vehicle Activated Speed Sign.

Resolved: approval for the Clerk on behalf of the Parish Council to apply for a grant from Staffordshire Safer Roads Partnership Grant Fund for a Vehicle Activated Speed Sign with flashing road limit – not speed. The Speed sign on the bend of Birches Road at Dam Mill – final location to be confirmed by Mark Keeling, Highways Community Liaison Officer, Staffordshire County Council after site visit, councillors will be informed of date and time following confirmation from Mr Keeling.

7.3 Support Staffordshire and Community Council of Staffordshire – notification of the merger of the two organisations in August 2018 was **received and noted**. Chapman went to the final meeting of the SSCVA, Councillor Chapman feels that it is the demise of South Staffordshire.

7.4 County Councillor Update by County Councillor R Spencer – The following verbal report from County Councillor Robert Spencer was given:

- quarter 3 results against strategy, £4.6m over spent – 1% confident that over expenditure will be brought into line before end of 4th Qtr. Over expenditure is mainly due to children and young people – an increase in looked after children.
- Job seekers in the County is less than 1%, -national average 1.9%. Good level development puts staff top quartile nationally.
- Bad news delays in transfer of care – no social care, national delay days 149 delayed days, County 239 delayed days at highest in November at 270 delayed days.
- Looked after children high – no formal national comparison, committed to safe guard, plan in place to bring figures down.
- Good news crime is down by 4%, however this is on the back of 4-5 years of steady increase.

- Early years childcare seen as good in Staffordshire.
- School places - 92% got there first preference, top nationally.
- Highways – big debate high ways – this year 30,000 tons of grit has been spread, twice the amount nationally.
- Helping people – farmers helped in the Morelands and other areas to help clear the snow blocked roads, local Parish Councils appreciative of their action.
- 250 potholes a week are being reported in Staffordshire, 300 a week are being repaired.
- Good news Oscars for the film Silent Child.

Cllr Holland raised concerns with the road leading from Wood Road to Strawmore Lane - the road is becoming no more than a track it is becoming irreparable.

Cllr Spencer advised that he was having a one to one with County Highways Local Liaison Officer in two weeks time, he will bring this up.

Raised point about housing – local area does not want to be commuter belt for Birmingham – worried on infrastructure.

Public meeting on held on Monday, understandable concerns raised re Watery Lane new estate. Cllr Spencer advised that construction traffic along Sandy Lane and Bilbrook Road, 'S' bend at Woodman requires technical equipment to monitor.

8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING
Wednesday 11th April 2018

[meeting closed 7.48]