Braunston Parish Council

Ordinary Meeting of Parish Council held in the Village Hall on Monday 4th May 2023

Actions from Meeting

Present

In the Chair: John Pomfret

Councillors: Cary, Glover, Harrison, Honeybill, Mawer, Morgan & Newman

Clerk: Rolt

Unitary Councillors Humphreys

23.05.01	Apologies for absence received and accepted:
	Biggs (Already booked), Stapley (Hospital).
23.05.02	Declaration of Interest
	Sue Harrison is chair of Twinning Association and is a trustee of Braunston Charities and is on the Your Café Management Committee
	John Pomfret is treasurer of the Twinning Association and Chair of the Village Hall
23.05.03	Members of the Public
	There were thirty-five members of the public present to put forward their views on the planning application WND/2023/0235
	To allow all to have a fair say, the chair advised they would have three minutes to put forward their points. In total twenty-seven people spoke.
	There three comments in favour of the application and twenty-four broadly against.
	 The points for were as follows: - Requirement for affordable housing Need for family to leave close by Good design elements. Could benefit school.
	 Extra Parking promised for School not in application. Attenuation Ponds – concerns around more water on playing fields. Against Neighbourhood Plan Heavy plant access and traffic levels during construction Extra traffic levels along surrounding roads once built. Barby Road already too small for current traffic levels and will create a more dangerous series of junctions. Existing water levels on Barby Road as drainage does not cope. Concerns that affordability is defined as 80% of average local prices, also not available as rental. Concerns over ground suitability Concerns over water levels for the Playing Fields as already get cancellations in the summer. Concerns over electrical supply and ability to cope. No Design and Access statement Building outside the linear aspect of the existing village Detrimental effect on neighbours Against policy RA2 as a significant impact on character and setting of the village

	 Sufficient capacity could be available to meet housing needs in the next few years (Maple Close extension)
	Concerns over planned access and proximity to junction.
	Oscar Briggs from Manor Oaks answered some of the objections raised and pointed out that the application is being made to meet the needs raised in the Housing Needs Survey and confirmed it was outside the village boundary. He also offered to supply the Design and Access Statement that was missing from the WNC available documents even though it had already been submitted. He also advised that he understood the Maple Close application is imminent.
23.05.04	WND/2023/0235
	After discussion it was proposed by John Pomfret, seconded by David Cary, and carried by a vote of six for and two against that the Parish Council defer the discussion until the next meeting so that Design and Access statement could be obtained.
	Councillor Humphries offered to chase WNC for the documents, the clerk also agreed he would seek an extension to the deadline as these documents were missing. He also confirmed to those present he would notify via the website and Bugle once these documents were available.