

Chelmer Village Council

Minutes of the Environment, Village Green and Planning Committee Meeting.

The Council met at 7pm on Tuesday 11st June 2024 in the Council Chamber, Springfield Parish Centre, St Augustine's Way, Springfield, Chelmsford, Essex, CM1 6GX.

Councilor S Bryne-Lagrué chaired the meeting.

Present: Councilors E Schultz and S Sullivan

In attendance: Clerk to the Council and Deputy Clerk.

010/24. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received and agreed from Cllrs G Walker, A Chong, S King and R Stringer. Cllr S Sullivan substituted for Cllr S King.

011/24. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations.

012/24. Minutes

The minutes of the committee meeting held on 21st May 2024 were agreed and signed.

013/24. Public Question Time

There was no public in attendance.

014/24. Planning Applications

The following planning applications were considered:

014/24-1 Reference: 24/00698/FUL Address: 8 Storms Way Chelmer Village Chelmsford CM2 6NU

Description of works: Proposed two storey detached dwelling with new vehicular crossover, boundary treatments and landscaping.

Resolved: The Council queries the closeness of the proposed driveway entrance too the proximity of the crossroads. The Council was unsure of the boundary of the cordon sanitaire and asks for this to be checked before any building works commence.

014/24-2 Reference: 24/00763/FUL Address: 5A & 5B Montrose Road Springfield Chelmsford Essex

Description of works: Change of use of units 5a and 5b Montrose Road from industrial use (Class B8, E(g)(ii) and E(g)(iii)) to two car dealerships / showrooms and a valet / workshop. To include external showroom space, access to Montrose Road, car parking and all internal and external and ancillary and enabling works.

Resolved: The Parish Council has no objection to this planning application.

014/24-3 Reference: 24/00777/FUL Address: 64 Colyer's Reach Chelmer Village Chelmsford Essex

Description of works: First floor front extension and part single, part two Storey rear extension

Resolved: The Parish Council has no objection to this planning application.

015/24. Chelmsford City Council Decisions

The committee noted the decision of the City Council up to the end of May 2024 as per the attached list.

016/24. Review of the Local Plan

Discussion took place and it was agreed to make the following comments:

'Chelmer Village Council wishes to make the following comments on the consultation for the proposed revised Local Plan - Specifically the Hammonds Farm development and its impact on Chelmer Village and Chancellor Park.

The first thing to note is that it seems no thought has been given to the fact that if the proposed Hammonds Farm development takes place, it will cause unacceptable traffic pressure on the following routes

- **Traffic Congestion:** A138 from the Boreham Interchange through to the Army & Navy roundabout
- **Environmental Impact:** Colchester Road from the Boreham Interchange via Springfield Road to the Centre of Chelmsford.
- **Infrastructure:** From Generals Lane- newly built Beaulieu Park Station via the above routes.
- **Construction Traffic:** Also, the A12 from Colchester via the above routes to Chelmsford.

There will be a pinch point of both normal traffic, but more importantly extra works traffic that the Boreham Interchange will not be able to cope with. Construction traffic was never meant to use local roads to enable it to bring materials to Hammonds Farm, but this could quite easily happen with the inevitable congestion.

Should the development go ahead there will be more domestic & social traffic clogging up the already heavily used local roads which go through Chelmer village, meaning ever-increasing sound, light and air pollution.

The ongoing construction of the new Beaulieu Station and future development of the Army and Navy roundabout will unquestionably cause even more traffic congestion.

The impact all this will have on our residents is unacceptable and detrimental to their quality of life.

017/24. Clarence Close to Henniker Gate

The committee considered an email from a resident in regard to the parking in Clarence Close and Henniker Gate. An in-depth discussion took place and it was agreed the Clerk would contact the South East Parking Partnership to ask them to monitor the area. The Clerk will reply to the resident advising that any unlawful parking should be reported to the police. The committee will continue to monitor the situation.

018/24. Chelmer Village Way Bus Shelter near Barlows Reach

The committee considered an email from a resident regarding the bus shelter in Chelmer Village Way near Barlows Reach. After an in-depth discussion it was agreed to

place seating in the shelter and for the side panel to be adjusted to people can exit on the side. The Clerk will advise the resident of the decision.

019/24. Updates from Councilors and Matters for Information

None.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 7.45pm.

Signed..... **Date**.....