

APPENDIX A



Minutes of an extraordinary meeting of Cullompton Town Council held on Thursday 15 November 2018 commencing at 7pm at Cullompton Town Hall

Present: Cllr Iain Emmett (in the chair) and Cllrs: Eileen Andrews, Kerry Baldwin*, Gordon Guest, Janet Johns, Kate Haslett, Will Jones, Lloyd Knight, Liza Oxford-Booth, Martin Smith and Mike Thompson

Also in attendance: 6 members of the public plus three representatives from Taylor Wimpey

Judy Morris: Town Clerk

*In attendance for part only of the meeting.

It was noted that the meeting is being recorded.

95. **APOLOGIES** received and accepted from Cllr Jordann Barge (personal).
96. **DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS:** None.
97. **PRESENTATION: To receive pre-application presentation by Taylor Wimpey to discuss a potential Outline planning application for land off Siskin Chase**

Taylor Wimpey were represented by Richard Harrison. Matt Powell and Steven Brown who presented a power point presentation as at Appendix A. Presentation included:

- 4.8 acre site with potential for about 100 housing units, the site is available and deliverable.
- 35% affordable housing to be pepper potted within the development.
- Access to the development site will be via Siskin Chase.
- 2 – 2.5 years to complete. Hope to have outline planning permission by Summer 2019.
- Public consultation to be held at Cullompton Rugby Club on 6 December 3pm-8pm.

Cllr Kerry Baldwin joined the meeting.

Comment/discussion with Councillors included:

- Consider larger play areas rather than small and also incorporate adult fitness equipment.
- Make a contribution to a local bus service.

- Footpath access into town centre, signposted route.
- Bus shelters in Swallow Way.
- Provision for bungalows: *It was explained that there are no design details at present.* Discussion about building homes that can be adapted as the householder grows older. (Lifetime provision).
- Bin storage to avoid street clutter.
- Traffic and highways, critical concern, how will this be addressed?
- Road safety audit, ensure that refuse lorries etc, can negotiate around the site.
- Look at wider area to assess what impact the site will have on the local area, don't want to make a bad situation worse.
- Would like to think that Taylor Wimpey are considerate builders, what are the plans to alleviate the impact the construction traffic will have on existing residents? Clear instructions to delivery drivers and contractors and someone on site that is able to react to any existing resident's concerns.
- Examples of a Taylor Wimpey development locally is Rackenford Meadow, Tiverton.
- Why can't construction vehicles access the site from Colebrooke Lane instead of Siskin Chase? *Taylor Wimpey offered to investigate this.*

The Chairman thanked the representatives from Taylor Wimpey for attending and they left the meeting.

98. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME: To receive questions from member of the public present at the meeting: None

99. ITEMS DEFERRED FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTIONS PUT FORWARD BY COUNCILLORS

- (i) That the Town Council provide 30 minutes free parking in St. Andrews Car Park 24hrs / 7 days per week rather than the 8am-6pm period that it currently does. This will support the night time economy within the town centre (Cllr James Buczkowski).
- (ii) That the Town Council considers offering NIGHT TIME PERMITS at a further reduced rate to residents that live within Cullompton, to counter the effects of parking restrictions on Willand Road and the future loss of parking due to development on Willand Road. (Cllr James Buczkowski).
- (iii) That the full council has the opportunity to fully approve the content of "The Crier" before publication and that "The Crier" is externally proof read before publication (Cllr James Buczkowski).

NOTE: That as Cllr James Buczkowski resigned after the agenda was prepared the above Motions were not dealt with.

100. POLICIES AND GOVERNING DOCUMENTS

- (i) **IT & Email policy: to receive solicitor's advice and approve policy:** Discussion about the policy, concern raised about the requirement to use a Town Council email address in order to receive confidential information from Council Officers. Cllr Mike Thompson considered that *"if a Councillor wishes to retain his own private email then*

he/she should be entitled to do so” He acknowledged that this could be subject to search if the Council receives a Freedom of Information request.

Cllr Kate Haslett expressed concern that the Town Council’s email system is cumbersome to use and considered that an easier way of reading emails is needed. Cllr Lloyd Knight reported that Ivybridge Town Council has issued all its Councillors with tablets and suggested that the Council investigates how this is working out.

It was proposed by Cllr Gordon Guest, seconded by Cllr Iain Emmett that the policy is approved – voting 5 for and 5 against with one abstention. The motion fell on the casting vote of the Chairman and it was agreed that the policy be further reviewed.

101. CORRESPONDENCE: None

SIGNED: _____ **DATE:** _____

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