

ENSTONE PARISH COUNCIL

Planning Meeting held on Thursday 23rd May 2019 at

6.30 pm at St. Kenelm's Church, Church Enstone

PRESENT:- Cllrs. N. Knott, P. Shaw, R. Parker, P. Johnson, M. Ivings, T. Gilbert, A. Lee, District Cllr. Andrew Beaney and eighteen members of the public

APOLOGIES: Cllrs. Glendinning and Robottom

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs. B. Sinclair (clerk)

Planning Application:-

Land South of Oxford Road, 19/00991/RES - Erection of 29 dwellings along with the associated infrastructure

Cllr. Knott welcomed everyone to the meeting. After discussion with residents regarding the above planning application, the following comments were emailed to the Planning Department and Planning Officer, Mr. Chris Wood, at West Oxfordshire District Council on Friday 24th May 2019.

1. Hydrology Reports and a Flood Routing plan - these will be essential - the field contains natural springs and there is much concern regarding this. What plans are in place should the water pipes become blocked? Where would the water go?
2. It is imperative that the builders, developers and architects are aware that the private water supply to one of the houses comes from the top of the hill, across the main road also under the road. In addition, the natural spring in the field adjacent supplies water to six houses and a farm.
3. What protection will be in place for the houses placed at the bottom of the proposed site - they are at serious risk of flooding.
4. Sewerage - Thames Water is currently undertaking tests on the current pipes at Enstone's pumping station following two episodes last year when the pipes burst. There is, therefore, concern regarding this.
5. Materials of the houses - it is stated that there will be a variety of materials used to "add interest to the development" - natural stone, reconstituted stone, yellow bricked garages and rendering - Enstone Parish Council opposes this and asks that materials are used in keeping with the village of Enstone in order that the houses blend in with the rest of the village.
6. Nature reserve - who will be responsible for looking after this following completion of the development?
7. Electricity supply - the house next to the development has not been allowed to connect to the Enstone electricity supply but had to be connected to the Lidstone supply - please confirm where this development will be connected to as this needs to be thoroughly investigated.

8. There is concern that there is no parking available for visitors - the roads are also very narrow and if a car parks, how will lorries get down the road? This needs clarification - where will visitors park?

9. Entrance to the site - this is a dangerous entrance - will it be wide enough to cope with lorries and cars simultaneously?

10. Wall along the A44 - who will be responsible for maintaining the wall and hedge following development of the site?

11. The Parish Council has noted the comments from the Crime Protection Officer that are on the planning portal.

12. Section 106 monies - Enstone Parish Council requests that monies are made available to improve the junction at the A44/Bicester Road to make a one way system in order to improve safety.

Cllr. Knott thanked everyone for attending – the meeting finished at 6.50 pm.