

Cheddleton Parish Council

**MINUTES OF THE PLANNING & AMENITIES COMMITTEE HELD IN
CRAFT CENTRE MEETING ROOM, HOLLOW LANE, CHEDDLETON ON
TUESDAY, 28th. MAY 2024.**

ATTENDANCE Chairman - Mrs. C.A. Lovatt.

Councillors - M. Ahmad, D.S. Bagnall, Mrs. V.B. Cornes, M.F. Cunningham, K. Grocott,
Miss. V.L. Salt and Mrs. L. Shaw

Clerk - Ms. L.J. Eyre.

Multiple members of the public.

Councillor K. Harvey.

112. **APOLOGIES** - Apologies were received from Councillors O.C. Pointon & M.P. Worthington and it was resolved to accept these.
113. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** - Cheddleton Parish Council planning application SMD/2024/0126.
114. **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME** - A resident asked if the Parish Council would put forward that SMDC observe two new requirements from Westminster with regards to solar panels and lithium-ion batteries. The EU have banned the import of both from China Xinjiang because of forced labour practices being used to produce them so this has meant that these products are being smuggled into Europe. Westminster requires a supply chain for every applicant to produce the details of where they will be obtained from. The second point is that the solar/battery applications are not put on fertile farmland so would require soil quality assessment not just reports from the applicant. The other thing is that applications should be looked at as a whole to see where they fit in around the same area. Rt. Hon Karen Bradley is also concerned about the forced labour practices and is strongly against these products being used.
115. **MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 23rd. MARCH 2024** - It was resolved to accept these as a true record and signed by the Chairman.
116. **MATTERS ARISING THEREFROM** - No matters arising.
117. **CORRESPONDENCE:** - All documents available for Members to read.
- a. HMRC Updates.
 - b. CPRE News.
 - c. Staffordshire County Council News.
 - d. Staffordshire Wildlife - Enews.
 - e. Support Staffordshire News.
 - f. Canal & River Trust Update.
 - g. SMDC Regeneration/ Funding/ Licenses.
 - h. SLCC Updates/ Events.
 - i. Fraud Updates.
 - j. Information Commissioner's Office Newsletter.
 - k. Town & Country Planning Association Newsletter.
 - l. Fields in Trust News.

- 117. CORRESPONDENCE (Cont'd...):** - All documents available for Members to read.
- m.** Rialtas Software Update.
 - n.** Community Foundation Funding & Support.
 - o.** Clerks & Councils Direct.
 - p.** Moorlands Climate Action.
 - q.** CCLA Investment changes/ Fact Sheet.
 - r.** BRAMM News.
 - s.** Waterplus.
 - t.** Amey Reports 4263486, 4263491 & 4263493 - Coalpitford Lane - Potholes - Assessed 19/4/24 work already completed.
 - u.** Amey Report 4380761 - Roundabout Cheadle Road, Cheddleton - Manhole cover - Completed 29/4/24.
 - v.** Amey Report 4351506 Hollow Lane, Cheddleton - Pothole - 16/5/24 No resources.
 - w.** Amey Report 4351509 Park Lane, Cheddleton - Pothole - 16/5/24 No resources.
 - x.** DET/2023/0044 - Lady Green Farm, Huntley Road, Denford - Application to determine if prior approval is required for a proposed: Change of Use of Agricultural Buildings to 2 Dwellinghouses - Refused 30/4/24.
 - y.** SMD/2024/0089 - 135, Station Road, Cheddleton - Two storey side extension - Withdrawn 1/5/24.
 - z.** SMD/2024/0044 - LAND OFF Cheddleton Park Avenue, Cheddleton - Erection of detached dormer bungalow - Withdrawn 7/5/24.
 - aa.** SMD/2024/0121 - 14 Wilton Avenue, Cellarhead - Proposed demolition of existing conservatory and construction of rear and side extension - Approved 7/5/24.
 - bb.** SMD/2023/0650 - 433, Cheadle Road, Cheddleton - Change of Use from C3(a) to C3(b) including modest entrance alterations and external changes - Approved 14/5/24.
 - cc.** SMD/2024/0091 - Moss Lee Grange, Basford Green Road, Cheddleton - Change of use from mixed dwelling and bed & breakfast to dwellinghouse - Approved 14/5/24.
 - dd.** Tree Preservation Order SM331 Modified - Cheadle Road, Wetley Rocks - Approved 25/4/24.
- 118. UPDATE RESPONSE SMDC RE. SOLAR PANELS** - The Clerk reported that they cannot attend a public meeting as this would be a conflict of interest for planning officers to discuss live applications. Therefore, we could seek advice from Urban Vision, but this would have to be paid for by the Council. We could invite other Councils to reduce the cost and invite members of the public. Councillor Mrs. Lovatt felt expert advice is key with the changes in legislation. The Clerk also suggested putting it to The Parish Assembly that it could be done via that and include everyone in Staffordshire Moorlands.
- 119. SMDC PLANNING ENFORCEMENT REPORT - STATION ROAD, CHEDDLETON** - The Clerk reported that a resident had reported a doggy play area being advertised for use by paying customers. On checking with SMDC this requires planning permission so they will investigate the business.
- 120. PLANNING APPLICATIONS:** -
- a.** **SMD/2024/0212** - 2, Oak Avenue, Cheddleton - Demolition of existing single storey side extension and replacement with two storey side extension.
No Objection provided neighbour amenity is maintained.

- b. **SMD/2024/0152** - CICELY HAUGHTON SPECIAL SCHOOL, WESTWOOD MANOR, Westwood, Wetley Rocks - Removal of existing oil tank to the school basement and then installation of new Oil Tank to the school to be installed in a new location externally.
No Objection provided there is security for protection of flammable substance and landscaping.
- c. **SMD/2024/0126** - Cheddleton Community Centre, Hollow Lane, Cheddleton - Installation of solar panels (24 total).
Council application so no discussion.

110. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME - No questions were raised.

111. FORWARD AGENDA ITEMS -

Chairman
25th. June 2024.