

WALFORD PARISH COUNCIL

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**Minutes of the Extra Ordinary planning meeting of the Parish Council and public participation meeting
To consider planning application S120480/F – Thorny Orchard
At Bishopswood Village Hall on Thursday 28th June 2012 at 7.30pm**

Details of the planning application were on display for councillors and members of the public to view

Present: Frank Myers – Chairman.

Dave Berry, Cheryl Carpenter, John Daniels, Heather Evans, Philip Heath, Simon Kinder, Terry Snow.

In attendance: Ward Councillor John Jarvis, Clerk Catherine Murray and approximately 50 members of the public.

- 1 Apologies:** Eric Drummond, Luke Freeman and Marc Thomas had work commitments. Simeon and Sandra Cole gave apologies due to prejudicial interest, which precluded them from being present at the meeting.
- 2 Declarations of Interest:** In advance from Sandra and Simeon Cole.
- 3 Planning Application:**
 - 3.1 Details of the following planning application had already been viewed by Councillors:**

Site: Thorny Orchard, Part OS Plot 8691, Coughton, Ross on Wye, Herefordshire.

Application NO: S120480/F

Description: Proposed new garage workshop, MOT Test Centre with associated office space and new retaining wall to support the public footpath.

Grid Ref: OS 359879, 220884.
 - 4 Item 4 was moved up the Agenda and item 3.2 was moved down:**

Although he was invited the applicant did not attend, but sent a representative who did not speak or make their presence known during the meeting.

3.2 The application was discussed by Councillors and additional information of interest regarding the application was put forward during the discussion.
- 5 Public participation session:**

The public made many varied and pertinent contributions to the discussion and Councillors answered questions, supplying relevant information when requested, relating to the history of the site and to previous applications to develop it. All the comments made by members of the public expressed that they were fundamentally opposed to the application.
- 6 Comments:**

The Parish Council were unanimous in their rejection of the application: The reasons agreed in Council, stated the unsuitability of the site for such a development and are to be laid out in the formal comments, which will be drawn up by the Clerk, circulated to Councillors and then sent to Herefordshire Council. <<Action Clerk>> A full copy of the comments is to be made available on the Parish Council Website, under 'Planning'.
- 7 Next Agenda:** Undergrounding of cables in the Parish.
- 8 Next meeting:** It was noted that the next Parish Council meeting will take place on 11/07/12 at Bishopswood Village Hall.

Signed: Frank Myers

Date: 10/10/12