

CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the **Northern Planning Committee**
held on Wednesday, 15th August, 2018 at The Capesthorne Room - Town
Hall, Macclesfield SK10 1EA

PRESENT

Councillor G M Walton (Chairman)
Councillor C Browne (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors C Andrew, E Brooks, H Davenport, T Dean, L Durham,
H Gaddum, N Mannion, M Warren and G Williams

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Mr R Croker (Planning Officer), Mrs N Folan (Planning Solicitor), Mr P Hooley
(Planning & Enforcement Manager) and Mr N Jones (Principal Development
Officer)

13 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor A Harewood.

14 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST/PRE DETERMINATION

In the interest of openness in respect of application 18/0544M, Councillor
G Walton declared that he was acquainted with some of the speakers and
some of the members on Pickmere Parish Council as he had previously
attended meetings of the Parish Council.

In the interest of openness in respect of the same application, Mrs N
Folan, the Planning Solicitor declared that she had friends who lived close
to the application site.

15 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED

That the minutes of the meeting held on 11 July 2018 be approved as a
correct record and signed by the Chairman.

16 PUBLIC SPEAKING

RESOLVED

That the public speaking procedure be noted.

17 18/0544M-OUTLINE APPLICATION FOR CONSTRUCTION OF REPLACEMENT VILLAGE HALL, TOGETHER WITH LINK TO TURTON PAVILION AND CONSTRUCTION OF STORE, EXTERNAL ALTERATIONS TO PAVILION, AND PROVISION OF CAR PARKING, LAND AT TURTON PAVILION, JACOBS WAY, PICKMERE FOR PICKMERE PARISH COUNCIL

Consideration was given to the above application.

(Parish Councillor Andrew Shore, Chairman of Pickmere Parish Council, Virginia Brown, an objector and Warren Stone, an objector attended the meeting and spoke in respect of the application)

RESOLVED

That the application be refused for the following reason:-

1. The development would result in the loss of Open Space in a sustainable area in close proximity to residential properties. It has not been demonstrated that this land is surplus to requirements, and the loss resulting from the proposed development would not be replaced by equivalent or better provision in terms of quantity and quality in a suitable location. No benefits are identified which would outweigh the loss of this Open Space. As such the proposal would fail to comply with paragraph 97 of the National Planning Policy Framework (2018), policies SC2, SC3 and SE6 of the Cheshire East Local Plan Strategy (2010 – 2030), and policy RT1 of the Macclesfield Borough Local Plan (2004).

In the event of any changes being needed to the wording of the Committee's decision (such as to debate, vary or add conditions / informatives / planning obligations or reasons for approval/refusal) prior to the decision being issued, the Planning and Enforcement Manager has delegated authority to do so in consultation with the Chairman of the Northern Planning Committee, provided that the changes do not exceed the substantive nature of the Committee's decision.

18 PLANNING APPEALS

Consideration was given to the above report.

Members suggested that it would be useful to have information relating to the cost of any appeal the Council had to fight.

RESOLVED

That the report be noted.

The meeting commenced at 10.00 am and concluded at 11.20 am

Councillor G M Walton (Chairman)