

EUXTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the PEAR TREE GREENS COMMITTEE held 5 June 2008, Euxton PC Community Centre, Euxton.

Present Cllrs C Cocking, E Jones, B Leyden, S Newell, A Platt, B Robins, E Sutton (Chair).

Attending Cllr C Hindle

1. Election of Chair and Vice Chair

Resolved: Cllr Sutton was voted as Chair.

Resolved: Cllr Platt was voted to Vice Chair.

2. Apologies – Cllr M Gray, T Gray

3. Minutes of the last meeting

Resolved: The minutes of the 31 October 2007 were agreed to be accurate record of the meeting and signed by the Chairman.

3. Update

- visit to site by LCC Highways Engineer
- meeting with CBC planning officer

The LCC Highways Engineer indicated the best place for an entrance to be made in to the two fields and that Pear Tree Lane would have to be made a 30 mph road, also that they may have to look in to the entrance to Pear Tree Lane from Euxton Lane.

Making Pear Tree Lane in to a 30 mph land could take up to a year and cost between £2000 and £3000 because we would have to pay for advertising, official application process and road alterations such as 30 mph repeater signs the full length of Pear Tree Lane.

The entrance would be located in the field closest to Euxton Lane, diagonal from the top of School Lane, where it meets Pear Tree Lane.

CBC Planning Officers discussed permitted items in the Greenbelt. The entrance road, car park, recreation, a recreation pavilion/changing rooms are permitted but, all must be justified. The size of the car park must be big enough, the building ideally single level and sympathetic to the area and not include non-related facilities such as a bar, which indicates it may become a social club. Officers recommended getting a Planning Consultant to start the process.

4. Committee to consider whether to recommend to Full Council that it accepts an offer from English Partnership of two fields off Pear Tree Lane

Resolved: The Committee recommends to Full Council that it agrees to the offer from English Partnership of the land.

Resolved: The Committee recommends to Full Council the Committee contracts a Planning Consultant.

5. Committee to draw up some basic next steps

1. Full Council agreement for land offer and Planning Consultant
2. Write to English Partnership confirming the Council wish to accept the offer of the land and await response.
3. Contract Planning Consultant (when EP confirmation received).

6. Any Other Business

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed.