

MINUTES of the EXTRA-ORDINARY Full Council Meeting held 5 March 2020 at 7.15 pm at The Annexe, Euxton PC Community Centre, Wigan Road, Euxton.

<u>Present</u>	Cllr P Fellows Cllr I Hamer Cllr C Jones Cllr E Jones Cllr A Oddy	Cllr P Preston Cllr K Reed (Chairman) Cllr A Riggott Cllr D Rigg Cllr G Sharples	Cllr V Thornhill Cllr H Tune Cllr B Williamson Cllr J Williamson Cllr M Wilmot
			Members of the public 12

1. Apologies none
2. Declarations of Interest none
3. Public Participation

Residents attended with many ideas and suggestions which were discussed and noted by Councillors to consider and are covered in the decisions below.

4. Consultation from LCC regarding parking restrictions at Greenside

LCC consultation on the prohibition of waiting/loading/parking between March 2020 and August 2020, with plan.

The meeting made 14 resolutions which have all been numbered below, then collated in to three respondent groups, LCC, CBC and Westchurch.

Resolved: Council made 14 resolutions, each was proposed, seconded and voted on unanimously by all Councillors in attendance:

Lancashire County Council – Highways

1. The Site hours have been requested to be reduced due to the impact on residents and also to prevent any deliveries to the site early, when they would not be able to access the site anyway due to parked cars (this has been made to Chorley in relation to the operating hours/delivery times of the site), the request to LCC is that the Parking Restrictions are changed to single yellow lines and the restriction of parking to be from 9.30 am to 16.00 pm with no restrictions at all at the weekends.

9. The disabled spaces issue is difficult as there are number of disabled people in this location yet only one space will be provided, also there are some specific circumstances surrounding the pick/drop off of a young person whose parents are concerned about their 'supported transport' being ticketed as sometimes the pick/drop offs do not always go to plan and involve a prolonged wait. It is hoped that these circumstances are not met with too rigid ticketing/enforcement when it is obvious (or can be if asked) that it is an 'supported transport' pick/drop off taking place.

Chorley Council

19/00361/FULMAJ 'Discharge of Conditions' applications the Greenside 36 houses application so I have listed; Discharge app numbers: 20/00074/DIS; 20/00125/DIS; 20/003/DIS – the following points are requested to be conditions for the site.

2. Site deliveries should be conditioned to be only from 9.30 to 16.00 Monday to Friday, nothing at the weekends.
- 3,10. Every large site delivery should have a Banksman, and smaller vehicles should be used wherever possible. Banksman should be from entry off Runshaw Lane to the site due to the congested street, play area and pedestrians.
4. No deliveries to the site should be using St Mary's Gate/ Barnside route, all deliveries should be via the main Runshaw Lane turn in to Greenside.
5. Site should not run from 7am-7pm - this should be changed to 8.00am to 6.00pm Monday to Friday and 8.00am to 1.00pm on Saturday (No Sundays or Bank Holidays) following the 'Control of Pollution Act 1974 Chapter 40'. This site is behind a high density living area and will be causing much stress, pressure on parking, access etc and having 7am-7pm site opening would put further pressures on the residents.
7. A site speed limit, including the access roads should be adhered to which should be 10mph for all site/construction traffic/deliveries/visitors to site.
8. All Contractors/delivery companies/visitors to site should be signed up to the 'Considerate Constructors Scheme' for the protection of the residents who will have approximately 18 months of serious construction next door to them.

Westchurch

- 3,6. Westchurch are requested to implement some signage at the road entrance, and the exact roadside location of the play area, and possibly painted on the road at the site of the play area where residents report a serious 'lack of road safety or awareness' of the children coming out of the play area, all contractors, staff, deliveries etc should be made aware on their delivery instructions of this play area on the Greenside approach to your site access street. Residents see this area as a **grave** safety issue which should be flagged to all and regularly re-enforced for the safety of the children.
8. Westchurch are urged to request all Contractors/delivery companies/visitors to site to be signed up to the 'Considerate Constructors Scheme' for the protection of the residents who will have approximately 18 months of serious construction next door to them.
13. The residents asked, and the Parish Council is willing, to request from Westchurch a weekly 'Contract/Site meeting' possibly at 9.30am on a Friday morning - this would be for Westchurch to impart to a very small group its plans for the following week. We have 6 volunteers (4 residents/2 Parish Councillors) who are willing to rotate attending this meeting, following which, they will impart the important information to residents.

Examples of information they would be seeking would be for example: On (date) the main drains will be dug up/location; Monday (date) there will be 5 deliveries of bricks; Tuesday (date) the Roof Trusses will be delivered (giving specifics such as - and this is a very large delivery and any blockages will result in traffic build up and cars being requested to be moved etc) - these are only examples made up of things the residents would wish to know, others might be if the site had fallen behind schedule, if there is a major incident or hiccup discovered and needs rectifying etc.

- 13,12. The group of residents/Parish Councillors have set themselves up as a small committee and are planning how to disseminate information supplied by yourselves to the residents en-masse to help all the residents and yourselves get through this difficult 18 months site build. A point of contact sheet will be collated containing contact numbers
14. Council was dismayed to hear of some **very** disturbing accounts of 'unbecoming behaviour' from Contractors/Staff on site towards residents, these *by no means* were limited to just one/two residents but a number of different and separate accounts of being treated rudely, dismissed, ignored, shouted at etc. This is not behaviour expected of any company working within our community and another example of why the residents were drawn to asking Westchurch and all its contractors/contacts/visitors be signed up to the scheme mentioned above ('Considerate Constructors Scheme').

Others

11. Council agreed to write to the County Councillor and Chorley Borough Councillors to ask they support all these points and requests.

Four residents supplied their contact details to be the volunteers at items 12 and 13 with Cllrs E Jones and K Reed.

8.45 pm

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Point	Agency/Description	Response
	Lancashire County Council – Highways	
1.	<p>The Site hours have been requested to be reduced due to the impact on residents and also to prevent any deliveries to the site early, when they would not be able to access the site anyway due to parked cars (this has been made to Chorley in relation to the operating hours/delivery times of the site), the request to LCC is that the Parking Restrictions are changed to single yellow lines and the restriction of parking to be from 9.30 am to 16.00 pm with no restrictions at all at the weekends.</p>	<p>LCC acknowledged 09/03/20 LCC response 11/03/20 The changes should be restriction of single yellow lines Monday to Friday from 8am to 4pm, you will be in receipt of Initial and Formal notification when completed. LCC response 17/03/20 includes above also, no loading/unloading in locations indicated Monday to Friday from 8am to 4pm</p> <p>Westchurch response 12/03/20 – ○ We cannot agree to deliveries to site being after 9.30am. However, it should be noted that not all deliveries will be before 9.30am. Where practical/possible we will encourage suppliers to deliver after this time. EPC response to Westchurch 12/03/20 - These site timing requests have gone to CBC and LCC and it is for them to consider It is not unusual that CBC does restrict site times and infact we have another site not far from yours with such restrictions as requested by residents for exactly the same reasons that no deliveries could ever access the site before 9.30am because of resident parking. No response from Westchurch to this reply.</p>
9.	<p>The disabled spaces issue is difficult as there are number of disabled people in this location yet only one space will be provided, also there are some specific circumstances surrounding the pick/drop off of a young person whose parents are concerned about their 'supported transport' being ticketed as sometimes the pick/drop offs do not always go to plan and involve a prolonged wait. It is hoped that these circumstances are not met with too rigid ticketing/enforcement when it is obvious (or can be if asked) that it is an 'supported transport' pick/drop off taking place.</p>	<p>LCC acknowledged 09/03/20 LCC response 09/03/20 - In relation to the disabled parking space I have been informed that it is the responsibly of the home owner to request this service independently, therefore we will not be able to request a disabled parking bay to be placed in this location by the contractor.</p>

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<p>Chorley Council - 19/00361/FULMAJ 'Discharge of Conditions' applications the Greenside 36 houses application so I have listed; Discharge app numbers: 20/00074/DIS; 20/00125/DIS; 20/003/DIS – the following points are requested to be conditions for the site.</p>		
<p>2.</p>	<p>Site deliveries should be conditioned to be only from 9.30 to 16.00 Monday to Friday, nothing at the weekends.</p>	<p>Chorley acknowledged 17/03/20 –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Decisions on these applications will be made once all technical consultation responses have been received and any outstanding issues have been satisfactorily resolved. – I am happy to receive the comments of the Parish Council and Ward Councillors in consideration of the applications and I can confirm that I have received the comments of Euxton Parish on application 20/00073/DIS in relation to the construction method statement. I have relayed this to the applicant to consider prior to discussing the matter further with them. – Any objections to these applications would result in them being presented to the Chair of the Planning Committee for consideration. <p>Chorley Decision 20/05/20</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Site opening hours will be 8.00am to 6.00pm Monday to Friday and 8.00am to 1.00pm on Saturday. – There will be no works on Saturday after 1pm or Sundays. – No plant will operate before 8.00am and deliveries will be restricted to after 9.30am. – Plant and material deliveries will be carefully planned and closely monitored to minimise nuisance and inconvenience to local residents.
<p>3. & 10.</p>	<p>Every large site delivery should have a Banksman, and smaller vehicles should be used wherever possible. Banksman should be from entry off Runshaw Lane to the site due to the congested street, play area and pedestrians.</p>	<p>Westchurch response 12/03/20 –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A Banksman is not required and therefore Westchurch Homes will not be providing one for deliveries. ○ We have already instructed/informed contractors and suppliers that the largest vehicles used for delivery shall be rigid and not articulated lorries. This is not without expense to Westchurch Homes. ○ See below point regarding signage <p>Chorley acknowledged 17/03/20 – see above. Chorley Decision 20/05/20 – traffic management plan necessary – entry off Runshaw Lane.</p>

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4.	No deliveries to the site should be using St Mary's Gate/ Barnside route, all deliveries should be via the main Runshaw Lane turn in to Greenside.	<p>Westchurch response 12/03/20 - We agree. This will be noted on correspondence with subcontractors' and suppliers and also noted in the Site Induction.</p> <p>Chorley acknowledged 17/03/20 – see above</p> <p>Chorley Decision 20/05/20 – traffic management plan necessary/approved – entry off Runshaw Lane</p>
5.	Site should not run from 7am-7pm - this should be changed to 8.00am to 6.00pm Monday to Friday and 8.00m to 1.00pm on Saturday (No Sundays or Bank Holidays) following the 'Control of Pollution Act 1974 Chapter 40'. This site is behind a high density living area and will be causing much stress, pressure on parking, access etc and having 7am-7pm site opening would put further pressures on the residents.	<p>Westchurch response 12/03/20 –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ It is not unusual for site working hours to run from 7am to 7pm. This is also in line with Chorley Councils guidance on Statutory Nuisance.(see link: https://chorley.gov.uk/Documents/Environmental%20Health/Nuisance%20leaflet%20v1.pdf, However, we acknowledge it would be unusual for operatives to be working on site beyond 6pm and we therefore would agree to restrict the hours in this regard (working hours to be 7.00am – 6.00pm Monday to Friday). ○ To clarify, we concur that Saturday working should be limited to end at 1pm, with no working on a Sunday. ○ See note on Parking below <p>EPC response to Westchurch 12/03/20 - These site timing requests have gone to CBC and LCC and it is for them to consider - so maybe we should see what they decide. No response from Westchurch to this reply.</p> <p>Chorley acknowledged 17/03/20 – see above response. Chorley Decision 20/05/20 – not approved see 2. above for timings</p>
7.	A site speed limit, including the access roads should be adhered to which should be 10mph for all site/construction traffic/deliveries/visitors to site.	<p>Westchurch response 12/03/20 -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A site speed limit will only be applicable to the confines of the site. ○ The speed limit on the highway leading to the site (Greenside) should be adhered to as this is a legal requirement of any road user. However, all operatives will be made aware of the need to be especially cautious when using Greenside to access site and this will be reiterated in the Site Induction and on suppliers/sub-contractors orders.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Whilst we can not dictate to the highways authority the adopted speed limit on Greenside we would support you in any effort on your part to get the current reduced to 10mph as a temporary measure ○ See below regarding signage <p>Chorley acknowledged 17/03/20 – see above. Chorley Decision 20/05/20 – not mentioned.</p>
8.	<p>All Contractors/delivery companies/visitors to site should be signed up to the 'Considerate Constructors Scheme' for the protection of the residents who will have approximately 18 months of serious construction next door to them.</p>	<p>Westchurch response 12/03/20 -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Westchurch Homes are, and will continue to be, signed up to the Considerate Constructors Scheme and we take our responsibilities very seriously. For example, as you are aware, we have been in discussion with yourself and the Parish regarding temporary parking measures, both for Westchurch homes Limited construction staff and contractors operatives in order to minimise any disruption to the local community. We have even proposed to provide a temporary solution for residents during the construction period in order to further minimise disruption to local residents. I would emphasise that the inclusion of the residents parking and associated hatching, signage etc. is at cost to Westchurch Homes Limited and demonstrates our commitment to the CCS. ○ Whilst we do not insist on our supply chain becoming members this is something that we do encourage <p>Chorley acknowledged 17/03/20 – see above response. Chorley Decision 20/05/20 – not mentioned.</p> <p>01/06/20 Temporary car parking has been provided by Westchurch in the grounds of Greenside recreation ground for contractors also, spaces for residents on the outer perimeter of the grounds</p>

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3. & 6.	<p>Westchurch are requested to implement some signage at the road entrance, and the exact roadside location of the play area, and possibly painted on the road at the site of the play area where residents report a serious 'lack of road safety or awareness' of the children coming out of the play area, all contractors, staff, deliveries etc should be made aware on their delivery instructions of this play area on the Greenside approach to your site access street. Residents see this area as a grave safety issue which should be flagged to all and regularly re-enforced for the safety of the children.</p>	<p>Westchurch acknowledged 09/03/20 Westchurch response 12/03/20 -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ We agree that there should be some additional road signage at the entrance to Greenside from Runshaw highlighting the fact that all drivers need to be aware of children in the local vicinity and in fact, this has already been discussed with some of the residents of Greenside. We will be submitting proposals to highways for approval ○ We will also propose additional signage near the play area, again subject to approval. ○ We note your point regarding the '<u>serious lack of road safety or awareness of children</u>' and this will be highlighted to operatives in our Site Induction. <p>18/08/20 Westchurch asked for an update on first two bullets – ie progress with LCC or submission date</p>
8.	<p>Westchurch are urged to request all Contractors/delivery companies/visitors to site to be signed up to the 'Considerate Constructors Scheme' for the protection of the residents who will have approximately 18 months of serious construction next door to them.</p>	<p>Westchurch acknowledged 09/03/20 Westchurch response 12/03/20 – see above response</p>
13.	<p>The residents asked, and the Parish Council is willing, to request from Westchurch a weekly 'Contract/Site meeting' possibly at 9.30am on a Friday morning - this would be for Westchurch to impart to a very small group its plans for the following week. We have 6 volunteers (4 residents/2 Parish Councillors) who are willing to rotate attending this meeting, following which, they will impart the important information to residents.</p> <p><i>Examples of information they would be seeking would be for example: On (date) the main drains will be dug up/location; Monday (date) there will be 5 deliveries of bricks; Tuesday (date) the Roof Trusses will be delivered (giving specifics such</i></p>	<p>Westchurch acknowledged 09/03/20 Westchurch response 12/03/20 -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ This is not something we feel would be beneficial as the operations on site are a matter for Westchurch Homes Limited. Any deliveries etc in relation the construction works will be compliant with the above. ○ We will, however, be willing to hold one briefing meeting with the Parish Council who can then relay any information to the local community as necessary. <p>EPC responded to Westchurch 12/03/20 It is disappointing Westchurch does not feel a regular site meeting would assist residents and EPC to disseminate information so it is a shame you will not arrange such a regular meeting - one meeting would not be useful</p>

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	<i>as - and this is a very large delivery and any blockages will result in traffic build up and cars being requested to be moved etc) - these are only examples made up of things the residents would wish to know, others might be if the site had fallen behind schedule, if there is a major incident or hiccup discovered and needs rectifying etc.</i>	for a site which may be in situ for over 18months. No response from Westchurch to this reply. EPC has been supplied with Site Manager's name/email/contact number – who is very helpful
13. & 12.	The group of residents/Parish Councillors have set themselves up as a small committee and are planning how to disseminate information supplied by yourselves to the residents en-masse to help all the residents and yourselves get through this difficult 18 months site build. A point of contact sheet will be collated containing contact numbers	EuxtonPC has been liaising with residents who have contacted it on numerous issues such as: noise, working hours, large trucks blocking car park, parking permits for Greenside resident parking part, blocking the road etc.
14.	Council was dismayed to hear of some very disturbing accounts of 'unbecoming behaviour' from Contractors/Staff on site towards residents, these <i>by no means</i> were limited to just one/two residents but a number of different and separate accounts of being treated rudely, dismissed, ignored, shouted at etc. This is not behaviour expected of any company working within our community and another example of why the residents were drawn to asking Westchurch and all its contractors/contacts/visitors be signed up to the scheme mentioned above ('Considerate Constructors Scheme').	Acknowledged 09/03/20. Westchurch response 12/03/20 - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ ..., we refute the above claims wholeheartedly. As far as we are aware there has been no 'unbecoming behaviour' from Contractors/Staff on site towards residents. In fact, quite the opposite. Perhaps you have not been made aware of the full picture. ○ I have personally witnessed and been the victim of verbal abuse from numerous residents (from the outset) and have also received reports from members of staff and contractors of aggressive, threatening and antisocial behaviour. To be specific, on Monday 17th February the police were involved due to an incident that was reported involving criminal damage. The police are now in the process of prosecuting the responsible persons (residents of Greenside) and we have a crime reference number should you wish to receive. ○ In regard to your final point referring to the behaviour of our company we would refer you to the point above regarding temporary parking measures.
	Others	
11.	Council agreed to write to the County Councillor and Chorley Borough Councillors to ask they support all these points and requests.	EPC wrote to Bgh/Cty Cllrs to ask for support on 08/03/20 - 09/03/20 acknowledged by Cty Cllr Riggott, 11/03/20 acknowledged by Cllr G Sharples & Cllr D Platt

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