

PLANNING, CONSULTATION & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Minutes for the meeting held on **Monday**, **13 January 2025** at the **Board room**, **Sandbach Town Hall**, commencing **7pm**.

Present	Councillors	M Muldoon (in the Chair) G Lindop K England (arrived at 19:12) T Wheatcroft S Wright D Poole
	Officers	P Gorzka (meeting Clerk)

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologise were received from ClIrs R Gray and S Richards. ClIr G Price Jones was absent without apologise.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of pecuniary & non-pecuniary interests in relation to any item on the agenda were made.

3. ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED IN THE ABSENCE OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

To consider items that, under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 (as extended by s.100 of the Local Government Act 1972), the public and accredited representatives of newspapers be excluded from the meeting for any items of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 by virtue of the paragraph specified against the item. Lead: Chair

Resolved: No items were excluded from the press and public.

The Chair adjourned the meeting to allow presentations and questions relating to items on this agenda from members of the public.

Speaker 1. Regarding item 4 on the agenda. The speaker pointed out an inaccuracy in the meeting agenda.

The Chair reconvened the meeting.

4. MINUTES OF THE PLANNING, ENVIRONMENT AND CONSULTATION COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 16 DECEMBER 2024

[Attached: Draft minutes of the meeting]

Resolved: The minutes of the meeting of 16 December 2024 were approved as an accurate record. An inaccuracy in the date on item 4 of this Agenda was noted to be amended.

5. OBSERVATIONS ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Lead: Chair

Submitted WE 10.01.25 response to Cheshire East by 27.01.25.

Application Number: 24/4879/LBC

Location: 12 Front Street, Sandbach, Cheshire East, CW11 1EU

Proposal: Listed building consent for front windows and doors replacement to match existing, 1x side wooden window with replacement of existing lean to glazed pitched roof with additional of all rear windows to be replaced with UPVC style Existing and Proposed: Rear windows to be replaced with UPVC from wooden, Front and Side will have same materials to match

existing.

Application received: 07-Jan-2025

Application deadline: 28-Jan-2025

Resolved: Objection. The Committee recommends that this application is referred to Heritage and Conservation with a firm insistence that the materials used are like-for-like including the use of lead.

Application Number: 24/4721/HOUS

Location: 16 Deans Lane, Sandbach, Cheshire East, CW11 3HE

Proposal: Single storey side and rear extension.

Application received: 07-Jan-2025

Application deadline: 28-Jan-2025

Resolved: No Objection, however, concerns were noted regarding access to the rear of the property. Specifically, the committee highlighted the narrow gap between the property boundary line and the proposed extension wall, recommending that the gap be sufficiently wide to allow access for refuse storage and disposal containers.

Application Number: 24/4878/HOUS

Location: 12 Front Street, Sandbach, Cheshire East, CW11 1EU

Proposal: Front windows and doors replacement to match existing, 1x side wooden window with replacement of existing lean to glazed pitched roof with additional of all rear windows to be replaced with UPVC style Existing and Proposed: Rear windows to be replaced with UPVC from wooden, Front and Side will have same materials to match existing.

Application received: 06-Jan-2025

Application deadline: 27-Jan-2025

Resolved: Objection. The Committee recommends that this application is referred to Heritage and Conservation with a firm insistence that the materials used are like-for-like including the use of lead.

Submitted WE 03.01.25 response to Cheshire East by 23.01.25.

Application Number: 24/4778/HOUS

Location: 10 Raven Close, Sandbach, Cheshire East, CW11 1SF

Proposal: First floor extension over garage to create studio flat.

Application received: 03-Jan-2025

Application deadline: 24-Jan-2025

Resolved: Objection, the Committee requests further clarification on the information provided, noting that the external access is currently reliant on what effectively functions as a fire escape.

Application Number: 24/4773/HOUS

Location: 58a Marsh Green Road, Sandbach, Cheshire East, CW11 3BQ

Proposal: Two storey rear extension.

Application received: 02-Jan-2025

Application deadline: 23-Jan-2025 Resolved: No Objection.

Application Number: 24/4758/HOUS

Location: 55 Paddock Road, Sandbach, Cheshire East, CW11 3SN

Proposal: Two storey rear extension.

Application received: 02-Jan-2025

Application deadline: 23-Jan-2025

Resolved: Objection, on the grounds of access for refuse, parking and overdevelopment.

Submitted WE 13.12.24 last date for comments has expired.

[deadline extension requested]

Application Number: 24/4679/HOUS

Location: 16a Smithfield Lane, Sandbach, Cheshire East, CW11 4JA

Proposal: Single storey rear extension, new dormer to rear, first floor extension over existing garage.

Application received: 12-Dec-2025

Application deadline: 09-Jan-2025

Resolved: No Objection, however, the Committee has concerns and requests consideration be given to relocating the drain, as it appears on the plans to be situated beneath the proposed foundations.

6. NATIONAL, NEIGHBOURHOOD AND LOCAL PLAN

Lead: Chair

The item was brought forward to discuss in the presence of the public.

Cllr Muldoon informed the meeting of the current committee plans regarding the setting up of an informative meeting with a Cheshire Ease Council Officer to discuss future steps for the Sandbach Neighbourhood Plan (SNP).

There was a considerable amount of discussion about the steps the committee wishes to take regarding the revision for the SNP. The committee echoed many of the concerns of the present members of public in regard to planning concerns around local developments and urged the public to respond to any future Cheshire East Council (or other) consultations to give their views and voices as residents.

Cllr Muldoon invited the residents present to provide their email addresses to receive confirmation of receipt and to be added to a list of interested residents. These residents will be emailed with information once meetings regarding the SNP are organised.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

Resolved: Correspondence addressed to Cllr Wheatcroft regarding an Air Quality Management meeting in Middlewich was noted to take place in the first week of February.

8. DATE/TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting is Monday, 10 February 2024 at 7pm – location to be confirmed.

Meeting Closed at 8:22 pm Cllr M Muldoon (in the Chair) PG