

PILNING & SEVERN BEACH PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting held on Monday 23rd November 2009, commencing at 7.00 pm
in PILNING Village Hall

COUNCILLORS Mr I Humphries (Chairman), Mr J Black, Mrs N Bendall,
PRESENT (7) Mrs N Chappell, Mr I Roberts, Mr N Webb, Mrs C Woodhouse.

Also Present:- Mr P Tyzack (district councillor), 20 parishioners, 3 residents of
Almondsbury parish, and Emma Webster of Green Issues.

1. APOLOGIES for ABSENCE
J C Rawlinson (holiday).

The meeting has been called to consider problems at the Tesco development.

Chairman introduced EW, who outlined her responsibilities. EW thanked residents for their patience during earlier development work.

EW made a presentation, commenting on the history of the development and explaining the various stages to follow the current phase 1 stage. Currently no one is appointed to deal with stage 2.

Questions to EW covered the topics of – a) light pollution; b) noise; c) dust; d) transport. Complaints were registered re the time taken to deal with complaints. EW handed out cards containing contact details for out of hours working complaints. Secondary lighting appears to be at a greater height than the building, but EW stated that once completed low level lighting would be the norm.

The acoustic barrier, currently 2 metres high, will eventually reach 5 metres. The site will be operational 24 hours per day, but reversing beepers will not be used after 11 pm. Should this rule be broken action will be taken. Excessive noise levels were queried and it was requested that this complaint should be in written form. Tannoy use would also be strictly monitored.

Car sharing is encouraged by the company and lorry movements are being assessed. Confirmed that emergency access, strictly controlled, would be onto Marsh Common Road. Iso-track systems monitor vehicle routes and this should stop employees and other delivery drivers from using unauthorised routes. Those caught would be subject to disciplinary measures. EW is to raise the question of a travel plan and will respond later. EW confirmed the Highways Agency currently deem a motorway spur to be unnecessary. The question of a park and ride scheme for Chepstow based workers was also raised.

With regard to pile driving no satisfaction has been received through S Glos but EW will follow up on this. PT asked whether a liaison group could be set up. EW confirmed Tesco will provide a liaison contact number once they are operational.

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Building work remains on schedule. Business operations should commence in early March. EW is to ask whether hedges are to be planted to mask the security fence. Asked about benefit to the community, EW mentioned the donations to local groups and organisations already made. Tesco follow a green policy and routinely recycle materials.

This report is presented by the Clerk and based on notes provided by Mrs Woodhouse who recorded the meeting in his absence.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED @ 8.10 PM

Signed.....Dated.....

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