

## NEWHALL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the above Council,  
held via email responses

J. Batho (Chairman), J.G. Parkin (Vice Chairman), A.G. Lawrence (Clerk), C. Britton, J. Barker, R. Hibbert, P. Schofield, E. Forshaw, Mrs J. Fenton.

In light of the Covid 19 situation the below planning application was advised to all Parish Councillors, there were 8 responses and the decision is as follows – item 3:-

1. **Apologies:** none
2. **Declaration of Interest** – if a member is present at a meeting of the authority, and they have a disclosable pecuniary in any matter to be considered or being considered at the meeting, they cannot take part in any discussion of the matter at the meeting or vote on it. They should disclose the interest to the meeting and follow the Council's Code of Conduct.  
The Chairman urged all Councillors to take special care that they were not in breach of any aspect of Declaration of Interest.

### 3. **Planning Applications:**

#### I. **Applications/Planning Matter**

##### a.

Application No: **20/1349N**  
Proposal: **Variation of Conditions 1, 10 & 13 on 18/4102N - Variation of condition 2 on approval - Erection of 33 dwellings with associated garages, car parking, landscaping, means of access and site infrastructure, including construction of replacement garage of existing bungalow.**  
Location: **THE WOODLANDS, WHITCHURCH ROAD, ASTON, CW5 8DB**  
National Grid Ref: **361415 346583**

On the prop., of Mrs J. Fenton, sec., J. Batho it was, by a majority agreed to submit the following comment re the application.

Newhall Parish Council support woodland conservation within its parish, normally by not allowing any tree removal, but in exceptional circumstances by replacement. It is understood, with this application that an oak tree would be left, but a number of other mature trees would be removed for an exceptional reason. These should be replaced within the parish. Rather than specify immediate sites it would be best if the Developer (in this case Hollins Homes), deposits a tree replacement amount in a trust held by Newhall Parish Council. The council would ensure it is spent for this purpose, and provide evidence to each developer contributing.

The largest supplier of 3-4m trees in the UK is Barcham Trees. A tree replacement cost would be £200 per tree removed, the Parish would use volunteers to plant the trees as sites arrived, therefore there would be no labour costs to the Developer. The reason to use 3-4m trees is to provide a higher survival rate and lessen the need for coppicing later. In conclusion it is proposed that each tree that is removed in exceptional circumstances should be replaced by at least one 3-4m tree.

**Meeting concluded with 8 Newhall Parish Councillors responding**