



# Oundle Town Council

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## Extraordinary Town Meeting 13<sup>th</sup> February 2020 held at the Queen Victoria Hall, Oundle

### Questions

1. Is Fletton Field safe now that the planning application was refused? Yes for now although developers are still interested.
2. St Christopher's Drive access to further development is not big enough. We need to campaign for an access route that is suitable.
3. Cotterstock resident – I was late getting to the meeting as there had been another accident at the dangerous crossroads on the Cotterstock Road. What safety aspects have been included in the Cotterstock Road development plans? We need to keep lobbying Northants Highways to get the junction improved. Cllr Jake Vowles is leading with the lobbying.
4. East Road resident – Planning Applicants can appeal why can't we? If applications are passed, we cannot appeal. We need to ensure that we object before decisions are made.
5. Oundle resident – Why has ENC rejected ONP sites and gone with theirs? In 2018 ENC chose their sites of which Cotterstock Road and St Christopher's Drive were included. This predated our site selection by 6 months.
6. St Christopher's Drive – How will emergency vehicles get through? Is it because of the money there in developing in Oundle? Oundle is a lovely place and people want to live here that is why developers want to build the houses.
7. Will the planning inspectorate get answers to the questions and can he stop the Local Plan?  
Yes
8. Was the advice given by ENC less than ideal and is there any suspicion that this was intentional? Do we have any evidence to prove this? The 5-year housing plan shows the sites ENC chose were chosen in 2018. It was in ENC's interest that the Oundle NP did not go through.
9. West Street resident – Will the protest make much difference? Yes it does make a difference and it was proven at the meeting at ENC where many people from the town attended to speak out and represent Oundle.
10. We should agree a resolution and send it to ENC. This was agreed see attached sheet for the resolution.
11. St Peter's Road resident – What action can we take? Has there been a miscarriage of justice? Can we have a judicial review? They are expensive and the Council does not have the money. There is a formal complaint made against ENC by OTC which is in it's second stage. The member of the public suggested crowd funding to help pay for a Judicial review.
12. Can OTC share tactics with residents so they can help with the campaign.

13. St Christopher's Drive resident – Has ENC agreed that a sound barrier is not needed for the development? Yes
14. Cotterstock Road – District Councillors can speak to members of ENC Committee. Can we have a breakdown of costs for Judicial Review? Fees would be mainly Counsel and Barrister. There would be a lot of preparation time. If you lose you could end up paying the other sides costs.
15. Cotterstock Road – Have we had support from our District Councillors? Yes however they are not allowed to vote on Oundle application at ENC.
16. Is there any point in going to the meetings at ENC? Yes there is
17. What questions do we need to put in to ENC?
18. East Road resident- If the plans go ahead it will mean more traffic on a road that already has a lot of traffic. Where will the cars go? Speed humps should be put in to slow the traffic down. The car parks are already full there will be nowhere for people to park.
19. OBA – How can they help support the town? Look for information on the OTC website, contact our MP, ENC and object to the applications.
20. Rockingham Hills – Already can not get the car out of the drive to pick up granddaughter from school because people park in road at school pick up and drop off times.
21. Any indications of what officers are going to advise on the planning applications? How can there be development in Glapthorn parish as they already have a NP made? Sewerage smell will get worse. The district Councillors will share what the recommendations are when they receive the paperwork. Get questions into the officers, make them personal so that they are not all the same.
22. St Peter's Road – Write to Tom Pursglove MP as he will in turn contact the Chief Executive at ENC and he will get to know how everyone feels.
23. Barwell resident – Should we write to the members of the ENC planning committees? Yes
24. Were ENC invited to the Town meeting? They were aware of it but not invited.

Things we need to do:

Sign the petitions

Have Tom Pursglove's support

Things may change with new Unitary Council 2021

Ideas for S106 funding.

The resolution was passed. See attached.