

**BARFORD, SHERBOURNE AND WASPERTON JOINT PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning Committee  
held on Tuesday, 12th January 2004  
at Wasperton Village Hall**

**Present** Cllr J V Murphy (Chairman)

Cllrs. Mrs A Gordon, G P Grima, D H Hunt, W Worrall and J T Wright

**Members of the public:** None

99. **Apologies for absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs R Clay and Mrs M Hayward.

100. **Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interests**

The **Chairman** declared a personal and prejudicial interest in planning application W20031948 as a neighbour to the property concerned and left the meeting. Cllr D H **Hunt, Vice Chairman of the Council** took the Chair.

101. **Planning Applications**

The following planning applications were considered and the decisions to be notified to Warwick District Council were as set out below:

**W20031948**

**10 – 12 Bridge Street, Barford**

*Change of use to three residential units with new rear pitched roof and car parking area.*

The Committee could see no material change in plans since they considered and objected to WDC on the previous application at their meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> November. Accordingly they decided that the same objections and comments should be made to WDC on this application.

**The Chairman returned to the meeting and the Vice Chairman vacated the Chair.**

**W20031974**

**Land adjacent to the river Avon, Wasperton**

*Excavation to form pools in flood channel for Birmingham Anglers Association*

The Council had considered an application of a similar nature from these applicants in September 2002. This had resulted in appeal to the Secretary of State who had rejected the development on the grounds of its artificial intrusion into the landscape and environment.

In considering this latest application Council found the plans supplied wholly inadequate. They gave no dimensions to the proposed pools, no indication of what would be done with the excavated material or of the number of 'pegs' to be provided in the development. There was no indication of what species they would be stocked with and, if different from those in the river, no indication of how their loss would be prevented in the frequent flooding of the site. The Association owns the fishing rights to the river and there seems no good reason for this proposed development in the flood plain, which is thus contrary to WDC's planning policy. The tenacity with which the Association is pursuing this matter despite rejection of a similar scheme on appeal by the Secretary of State suggested to some that a commercial development may be planned in the longer term.

For these reasons and those given in rejecting the previous similar scheme the Committee agreed to object to this application.

102. **Notifications Received**

WDC had notified the Council that permission has been granted to the following:

**W20031336**

**The Green Barn, Wasperton Lane, Barford**

*Erection of dwelling for key worker.*

Conditions imposed as to further approval of WDC to siting, design and external appearance, details of access and details of landscaping, and as to appropriate occupants and floor area not to exceed 140 sq.m.