



## **Macclesfield Town Council Planning Committee Minutes**

Minutes of the meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> August 2022 at 10am at Macclesfield Town Hall.

Attending

Cllr Mike Hutchison

Cllr Fiona Wilson

Cllr David Edwardes

Cllr Lloyd Roberts

### **7. Apologies for Absence**

Cllr Sandy Livingstone

### **8. Declarations of Interest**

Cllr Mike Hutchison declared a non-pecuniary interest in application 22/2801M- he used to be a teacher at school and application 22/2970M as he lives across the way from the proposed site.

### **9. Public Participation**

The meeting was adjourned for public comments and questions.

Macclesfield Town Council had numerous residents speaking on application 22/2970M. They were as follows:

Philip Ward spoke first. He strongly contested this application and made the following comments:

- Has a Health & Safety survey been carried out? Is it safe to have a 5g mast 40m away from residential properties
- The health risks to young children as the proposed site is very close to his childrens bedroom
- The mast will be a visual eye sore on the area
- He has read articles stating that these masts emit an irritating noise

Rob Gardner spoke next. He strongly objects to this application and raised the following points:

- He's very concerned about the mast and the unknown territory of such 5G masts
- His house backs on to where the proposed mast is to be sited and is worried about the noise levels that Philip spoke about
- He stated that he thinks this is to supply the Northern line railway with a better service and not primarily the residents of the area.
- He is concerned about the health risks and especially those of younger children
- He asked why it isn't being sited in a valley or by the side of the railway where there would be less impact on residents

Robert Carrington Porter spoke next. He strongly contested this application raising the following points:

- The siting of the proposed mast is very close to the local family worship church and childrens playground
- On health grounds there are no studies on the negative impact on peoples health, physically and mentally
- The EE website shows that there is already good coverage in the area

Christine Hilton Cooke spoke next. She is also strongly objecting to this application and raised the following points:

- It is going to be an eyesore for the area
- More residents need consulting
- Has an ICNRIP been carried out?

Cllr Mick Warren spoke on agenda item 8.

He stated that he wasn't happy with the CEC Winter Safety proposal but agreed that it needed to happen for the safety of residents and suggested that it was reviewed again before the 3year contract was up.

Cllr Brian Puddicombe spoke on application 20/4065M. He wanted to make the committee aware that the planning portal now registers new plans and as far as he can see there are now 14 apartments and 8 2 bed roomed cottages, although the Planning Officer has advised that full reports are awaited after which a full 21-day re-consultation period will take place. Diggers turned up and reduced the land to scrub and asked, 'is that the actions of a responsible developer?'. All wildlife that would have been in the area will have gone. The developer does still have obligations under the Wildlife Act and Countryside 1981. He also stated that it is an environmental sensitive area because of its proximity to Danes Moss.

The meeting was reconvened.

## **10. Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2022**

**Resolved:** The minutes were approved as a true record of the meeting

## 11. Matters Arising from the Minutes

**Resolved:** There were no matters arising from the minutes.

## 12. Observations on Planning Applications

The planning authority has been informed of the date of this meeting and any delays in responses as they relate to all applications with response closing dates before the date of this meeting.

The Planning Committee considers all applications it is notified of and returns comments to the Local Planning Authority (Cheshire East Council) unless it has no objections.

Application No: [22/2970M](#)

Proposal: Prior Determination for electronic communications mobile cellular base station ("mast") comprising 1 no. Phase 5 streetworks pole with shrouded antennas, 2no 300mm microwave dishes, GPS node, 3 cabinets and associated ancilliary development thereto.

Location: Highways verge on the east side of, Dorchester Way, Macclesfield

**Comments due back by: 17th August**

Ward: Tytherington

Macclesfield Town Council oppose this application on the following grounds:

- 5G masts shouldn't be put in residential areas
- The proposed location is in a quiet area next to a Family Worship Church and childrens play area
- The unknown health issues from radiation from 5G
- Macclesfield Borough Council policies DC3 and DC60 need to be adhered to with regards amenity and visually obtrusion
- The proposal of the Golf Club needs to be looked into as that seems a better area, next to the railway line and away from residents.
- It is proposed for a green area surrounded by residential properties which shouldn't be approved when there are more suitable areas away from residential properties
- There is no attempt to camouflage the mast
- Residents outlook will be blighted for convenience of railway passengers

Application No: [22/2909M](#)

Proposal: Demolition of Existing Rear Orangery Structure, Erection of Single Storey Rear Extension to form New Orangery, Existing Garage Conversion, Proposed Single Storey Side Extension to form new Garage & Re-modelling of Existing Dwelling Elevations

Location: 60, Gawsorth Road, Macclesfield, Cheshire, SK11 8UF

Comments due back by: 10<sup>th</sup> August

Ward: West and Ivy

No objections

Application No: [22/2930M](#)  
Proposal: Proposed First Floor Side/Rear Extension, Porch Extension & Proposed Detached Double Garage with Home Office & Garden Store attached  
Location: 70, Ivy Lane, Macclesfield, Cheshire, SK11 8NU  
Comments due back by: 10<sup>th</sup> August  
Ward: West and Ivy

No objections, however the committee requested that the Planning Officer, when making the decision, ensures the following policies are adhered to:

- Saved policy DC3 from the Macclesfield Borough Local Plan
- Saved policy DC38 from the Macclesfield Borough Local Plan

Application No: [22/2801M](#)  
Proposal: Installation of new Air Source Heat Pumps (ASHPs) comprising 8 separate ASHPs spread across 3 compound areas on the school grounds including meshed fencing surrounding the compound areas. Proposed Solar PV installed on various sections of the main building's roof.  
Location: Tytherington School, Manchester Road, Macclesfield, SK10 2EE  
Comments due back by: 17<sup>th</sup> August  
Ward: Tytherington

No objections

Application No: [22/2946M](#)  
Proposal: Demolition of Existing Conservatory & Proposed Single Storey Side/Rear Extension with Internal Alterations to provide improved Ground Floor Access & Accommodation for Wheelchair User  
Location: 39, Nicholson Avenue, Macclesfield, Cheshire, SK10 2BZ  
Comments due back by: 12<sup>th</sup> August  
Ward: Hurdsfield

No objections

Application No: [22/2788M](#)  
Proposal: Change of use of upper floors to self contained 2-bed apartment and new shop front incorporating separate door to 1st floor  
Location: 5, Chestergate, Macclesfield, Cheshire, SK11 6BX  
Comments due back by: 24<sup>th</sup> August  
Ward: Central

No objections.

Comments:

- Macclesfield Town Council support this application as it encourages town centre living.

Application No: [22/2973M](#)

Proposal: Internal alterations on the ground floor, including a small extension on the east side and new openings to the back of the house.  
Demolition of the existing garage and creation of a garden pod with the reconfiguration of the garden in the back of the house.  
New car parking space

Location: 1, Mount Pleasant, Prestbury Road, Macclesfield, SK10 3BZ

Comments due back by: 15<sup>th</sup> August

Ward: Tytherington

No objections

Application No: [22/2992M](#)

Proposal: Provision of storage containers in the rear yard of the Telephone Exchange. Containers are to provide secure storage and house materials and equipment for the roll out of the local telecoms infrastructure network.

Location: British Telecom, Jordangate, Macclesfield, Cheshire, SK10 2AG

Comments due back by: 17<sup>th</sup> August

Ward: Central

No objections

Application No: [22/1426M](#)

Proposal: Addition of two storey extension to rear of existing dwelling

Location: The Hayloft, 170B, Prestbury Road, Macclesfield, SK10 3BS

Comments due back by: 17<sup>th</sup> August

Ward: Broken Cross and Upton

No objections

Application No: [22/2998M](#)

Proposal: Replacement of existing boundary wall (retrospective) and extension of existing dropped kerb to serve new garage

Location: 47, Peel Street, Macclesfield, SK11 8BH

Comments due back by: 19<sup>th</sup> August

Ward: Central

No objections

Application No: [22/2411M](#)  
Proposal: Listed Building Consent to install an electric vehicle charging point  
Location: St George House, St Georges Street, Macclesfield, SK11 6TG  
Comments due back by: 31<sup>st</sup> August 2022  
Ward: Central

No objections

Application No: [22/3039M](#)  
Proposal: Variation of condition 2 - approved plans on approved application 17/6028M.  
Location: Anderson House, 3, Goodall Street, Macclesfield, Cheshire, SK11 7BD  
Comments due back by: 24<sup>th</sup> August 2022  
Ward: East

No objections

Application No: [22/3157M](#)  
Proposal: Flat roof to pitched roof conversion above garage and removal of hung tiles to front elevation and replaced with white render.  
Location: 130, Rugby Drive, Macclesfield, Macclesfield, Cheshire, SK10 2JF  
Comments due back by: 26<sup>th</sup> August 2022  
Ward: Tytherington

No objections

### **13. Canal Bridge 36**

Clerk to contact Canal and River trust for next course of action and request response in time for our next planning committee meeting on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept.

### **14. Winter Gritting**

Please see attached report

Winter Safety- opposed in principle but have no other option

Proposal that we do carry out the winter gritting as long as we do keep pushing for it to be put back into the schedule after the 3 years

### **15. Member Items**

Broken Cross junction remodelling

- Tom Shuttleworth email received who is the Interim Head of highways reply
- MTC are still opposed to this and comments were made that there was no provision for cyclist or children walking to schools.
- MTC would like to thank to Nick Mannion for all the work he is putting into this

- A public meeting should be organised with Bellway invited as well as CEC officers

#### Application 20/4065M- Land at Moss Lane

MTC opposed this development when it was originally considered by the Planning Committee.

MTC make the following comments:

- Cllr Wilson visited the site following contact from residents and had spoken to the contractor on site.
- Developer has raised it to the ground and dead animals can be seen
- The destruction of the vegetation and wildlife on site had been reported to CEC Planning Enforcement who had visited the site the next day.
- Planning conditions don't yet apply but hedgerows should not be removed during the bird nesting season from March to August and the presence of wildlife should have been checked prior to any work taking place.
- Once all the revised plans and reports had been lodged a further re-consultation would need to take place for neighbours and those who had commented on the original application
- When the application is dealt with at Northern Planning Cllr Fiona Wilson would wish to represent MTC as Ward Councillor and a member of the Planning Committee.

#### **16. Date/Time and Place of Next Meeting**

The next Planning Committee meeting will take place on 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2022 10am, in Macclesfield Town Hall.

Chair: Cllr Mike Hutchison

Clerk: Nicola Mellor

Meeting end time: 11:28