

**Public Meeting to discuss Bloor Homes Development Proposal – DC/19/2481/OUT
24 June 2023 7pm**

Parish Council Attendees: Cllr F Hart - Chair, Cllr P Smith - Vice Chair, Cllr J Frizzell, Cllr B Brown, Cllr B McDonald, Cllr L Frost, District Cllr J Thorndyke, Clerk

Public attendees 150-200

Welcome and Introduction by Chair.

Statement from Bloor read out as per their request.

A form available for residents to send their comments to West Suffolk Council explained.

Cllr Brown read statement with reasons for his objections to the proposal.

Cllr Frizzell read statement with reasons for his objections to the proposal.

District Cllr Thorndyke stated that as he was currently on the WSC planning committee he had to remain neutral until the application is debated at committee. Section 106 agreement will need to be completed and signed before the application is approved by WSC.

Cllr Smith read his statement with reasons for his support for the proposal.

Chair opened opinions/questions from the audience.

The public raised the following concerns/questions:

- Section 106 money coming to the Village.
- Affordability of housing.
- Access from the Recreation Ground.
- Maintenance of any new facilities acquired.
- No infrastructure - Schools, Doctors and roads.
- Parking in the Village (already congested especially at the Doctors).
- Accident hotspot on A143 where cars try to exit the development. Turning right will be impossible.
- Diversions through the Village.
- Flooding in the Village caused by rainfall coming off the houses.
- Access to the development – Cllr Thorndyke confirmed access has been agreed by Suffolk Highways.
- No strategic thinking about the A143.
- Land is currently countryside.
- Emergency access to Bury Lane being used as a way to avoid exit problems onto A143.
- How to make objections known.

The Practice Manager from Stanton Surgery confirmed that whilst the building has space, the staffing cannot cope with the additional patients. Two salaried GP's have left and one of the Partners is leaving. With new recruitment they will still be staff short. Parking and staffing are an ongoing issue.

Cllr Hart stated as a result of the meeting the Parish Council would write to Suffolk Highways with the concerns raised at the meeting.

Cllr Hart thanked public for coming
Meeting concluded at 8.15pm