

20.00 Standing orders were suspended and the Parish Council moved into the School Hall.
ERY Cllr Pollard entered the meeting.

A resident suggested that there would not be any noise and that they would be less than a mile from Etton Road.

A resident expressed their concerns about the lack of consultation with residents and was told that this was not the policy of ERYC. They felt that it would be an eyesore for dog walkers and cyclists.

A resident expressed her support about the wind turbines.

A resident from Highgate commented that the turbines were less than 1 mile away on the perimeter of two very picturesque villages. He also expressed concern about the short time to respond to ERYC.

Why are they needed when the large offshore wind farm is being planned?

The landowner responded that the electricity is being put back into the National Grid and the location was determined by the access to a local cable. A resident commented that farmers need supporting as their incomes have reduced.

The village is now being surrounded by wind turbines.

Cllr Pollard entered the meeting and outlined the planning process and that she could not comment on the actual plan as she was on the planning committee. Objections must be on material reasons – height, cumulative effect, village designated conservation area.

A resident brought up the reduction of property prices in the village and there was a discussion about whether this was a valid reason. Cllr Pollard felt that this would not carry any weight with the planning officers.

A resident brought up how the turbines would be on to the site and any changes that may be necessary to the highways.

Draft Local Plan

Cllr Slingsby outlined the PC infrastructure has to be addressed. The sewage and flooding problems need to be sorted.

A resident commented about the area on Rectory Farm and the access to CHER6.

Another resident felt that it would spoil the Conservation area on Highgate. Also he had concerns about allowing the developers to sort the drainage and sewage as this would probably not happen.

Cllr Peirson mentioned that individuals should make comments on the website about the sewage and drainage and try to keep the comments relevant.

Sportsfield Lease

Cllr Baker updated the meeting about the extension of the Sportsfield lease and the sole access arrangements.

The meeting ended at 8.50pm