



Tattenhall & District Parish Council

(Grouped parishes of Tattenhall, Newton-by-Tattenhall, Golborne Bellow)



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The Monitoring Officer
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Dear Sir

Members of Tattenhall & District Parish Council and of the Tattenhall Neighbourhood Planning Steering Group who attended the Strategic Planning Committee meeting of Cheshire West and Chester on 19th December 2012 were shocked and disappointed at the complete lack of in-depth understanding of strategic matters demonstrated by Councillors.

The committee was considering a twin-tracked planning application by Redrow Homes, the original of which had already been refused by members of the same committee on 20th September 2012. The Chairman made a decision that Councillors who had not previously considered the application did not need to visit the site meaning that they were not able to fully understand the access problems which the Parish Council highlighted in its submission. The information given to Councillors was misleading and inaccurate and the way in which the meeting was conducted by the Chairman appeared to be leading the Councillors to approve the application. One Councillor who had voted to refuse the original application had changed her stance without justification.

The Parish Council considers that the manner in which this meeting was conducted was biased and unprofessional and would ask you to conduct an investigation into the way Cheshire West and Cheshire Strategic Planning Committee handled this application.

Yours faithfully

Cllr Graham Spencer
Chairman
Tattenhall & District Parish Council

Copy to: Steve Robinson, Chief Executive
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