

Napton Parish Council News

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HEADLINES

Wind farm test mast goes to appeal

TCI Renewables **APPEALS** over Shuckburgh wind farm test mast application which was **REJECTED** by Stratford-Upon-Avon District Council Planning Committee. Deadline to respond is 21st November 2011.

Local market and affordable housing needs survey

Look out for the **WHITE ENVELOPE** with this newsletter which includes an important request for information so the Parish Council can plan for local market and affordable housing need in the village.

Napton Post Office and Store

Planning application withdrawn.

Faster Broadband

Super-Fast fibre broadband is gradually getting closer. But we need your help!

WINDFARM NEWS



In September we informed you that the planning application for a test mast at **Shuckburgh** was **rejected** by SDC planning committee by a vote of 7 against and 1 abstention. This was after the planning committee had considered all evidence and relevant planning law. However, TCI Renewables have lodged an appeal to HM Planning Inspectorate.

Although the community made very useful submissions to the original planning hearing which helped the committee to reach their decision (and all of which will be considered in full by HM Planning Inspectorate), you are allowed to submit any new evidence that you feel will help the Inspector to reach a decision. Having read TCI Renewable's appeal submission, it has become apparent that they are now **making a direct link between the temporary test mast and an application for the Wind Farm**, something that we were clearly told was not admissible. Therefore it does now set a precedent for you to make some reference to the Wind Farm in your comments.

You can comment directly on the planning inspectorate website via <http://bit.ly/rAmpWI> and click the "Comment on this case" link at the bottom of the page. Finally you can email teamp2@pins.gsi.gov.uk and quote Appeal Reference Number: APP/J3720/A/11/2161913

Your comments must be submitted by 21st November 2011 for consideration.

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LOCAL MARKET AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING

KEEPING IN TOUCH

Napton Parish Council is on Twitter @NaptonPC and Facebook <http://on.fb.me/uZjqlp> where you can find out what's going on and also send us a message.

If you would like to be kept informed of what is going on in the village all we require is your email address and name. This will be used periodically to send out topical and relevant information to villagers, including this newsletter. Send these to Gill Bailey, the Parish Clerk, details at the bottom of this page.

Parish Council Meetings are held on the first Monday of every month at the village hall. The planning application meeting starts at 7pm and the main meeting starts at 7:30pm.

Accompanying this Newsletter is an envelope containing the forms for the 2011 Local Market and Affordable Housing Needs Survey. This survey is very important as it will provide the Parish Council with the up-to-date data it needs to assist in the provision of Local Market and Affordable Housing.

Please take time to complete these in (even if you have no unmet housing need) and return them in the pre-paid envelopes provided as soon as possible. The deadline is 5th December.

If you know anyone outside the Parish, with a strong local connection and who wants to complete the survey, please ask them to contact Gill Bailey the Parish Clerk on 01926 815499 or Phil Ward the Rural Housing Enabler for Warwickshire Rural Community Council on 01789 472610 or by email philw@wrccrural.org.uk so that survey forms can be sent to them. Thanks very much for your help.

OTHER NEWS...

Village Post Office: We understand from Stratford-Upon-Avon District Council that the **application** to convert Napton Post Office and Store into 4 x 1 bedroom apartments has been **withdrawn**. Further information on the application is available here: <http://bit.ly/pDn8DH>

Superfast Broadband: The fibre cabinet has been installed on the main A425 near to Hillside. We are not sure when it is going to be connected to the Southam Exchange but we will endeavour to find out. However we need everyone who wants faster broadband to register with BT at <http://bt.com/infinity> where you are under no obligation to purchase. You don't even have to be a BT customer to register.

Should BT be a bit slow to get us connected there might be funding available from local and central Government. Just over £4m of central funding is available for Coventry, Warwickshire and Solihull. There is a very useful information page on the Warwickshire County Council Website: <http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/superfastbroadband> and you will notice a link to 2 surveys – one for residential, one for business. We'd recommend you complete either or both of these as it will help WCC formulate their local broadband plan that they have to submit to Government in April.

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