

PORTFOLIO LEADS REPORTS

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| From: | Patrick | For: | FCM |
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| Agenda Item: | | Contact: | |
| Nature of Report*: | For Information, Comment and Discussion. | | |

Both items below are to express my view that as a Parish Council there is an ethos projected that we are of little account by certain others.

First; we are all aware of the recent problems we have had with travellers at the Couch Green Playing Fields. It is disappointing that though they were moved on by a local authority, unlike as has happened in the past, no immediate warning was given. Had it been it is possible that we might have been able to keep the travellers out.

Second; having, as requested, made a presentation to WCC Planning Committee in support of a planning application for Ivy Cottage Avington and having highlighted both the PC support and the notably large amount of support from Avington residents it was refused. The application was within policy but disliked by the planning and heritage officers. It was clear that certain members of the committee were reluctant to vote against the officers' recommendation. The decision was on the casting vote of the chairman. It was quite clear that the views of the Parish Council and the local residents were of little or no consequence.

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