

"We don't want to be accused of having only the interests of Cheyney Green residents at heart but we do feel that the VHC could be voting tonight to change the original plans without having canvassed the residents for their opinion.

We believe this would not put the VHC in a good light if a subsequent objection was made against any planning application that we submitted to increase the size of the play area and go against the original plans.

The 98sqm size is that which the residents of Cheyney Green took into account when they made a decision to buy their houses. We feel that some of the current VHC has not taken sufficient notice of this fact.

The original planning application went in over 10 years ago and the permission granted was for 98sqm only – this was not contested at the time and no-one has sought in the intervening years, prior to the houses being built, to increase the size. The plans quite clearly show the whole Cheyney Green development with a play area of 98sqm, labelled as a Local Area for Play. To increase the size now, after the houses have been built we believe is just wrong.

Whether the VHC likes it or not, it is a fact that the original 98sqm was intended only for the Cheyney Green development. That has been re-enforced by the local Planning Dept in their response to our pre-application planning advice. We accept, however, that the whole of the village will use the play area. We have said before we are not opposed to a play area and want a play area but believe it should be as it was originally planned."

Kind regards

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