

BISHOP'S WALTHAM PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council Planning and Highways Committee held at the Jubilee Hall, Bishop's Waltham on Tuesday 30th May 2023 at 7.00pm.

Present:

<u>Committee Members</u>	Cllr Mr K Jones	Vice Chairman
	Cllr Mrs T Conduct	
	Cllr Mr K Ford	
	Cllr Mr B Nicholson	
	Cllr Mr J Williams	
	Cllr Mrs P Wilson	

Non-Committee Members Cllr Mr T Wilson

<u>Also in attendance</u>	Mrs L Edge	Clerk to Committee
	Mrs E McKenzie	Executive Officer
	Mrs R Shields	Parish Rights of Way Officer
	Mrs C Grover	Parish Tree Warden

Members of public None

Before the meeting started Cllr Jones congratulated everyone on being elected to the Council. He added his disappointment that Mrs Josie Wood had not been re-elected.

PH001/23 Election of Chairman of the Committee.

Resolved: to elect Cllr Jones as Chairman of the Committee.

Proposed: Cllr Ford

Seconded: Cllr Mrs Conduct

5 in favour, 1 abstention.

PH002/23 Election of Vice Chairman of the Committee.

Resolved: to elect Cllr Ford as Vice Chairman of the Committee.

Proposed: Cllr Jones

Seconded: Cllr Mrs Conduct

5 in favour, 1 abstention.

PH003/23 To receive and accept apologies for non-attendance.

Cllr Jelf - family commitment.

Resolved: to receive and accept the apologies for non-attendance as tabled.

Proposed: Cllr Mrs Conduct

Seconded: Cllr Nicholson

All in favour.

Apologies also received from Mr Wall, Parish Lengthsman.

PH004/23 To receive any declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests on items on the agenda.

Cllr Williams as District Councillor and Deputy to the WCC Planning Committee.

- PH005/23** **To receive any declarations of personal, pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests on items on the agenda.**
None relating to the business of the meeting.
- PH006/23** **Public Session.**
Cllr Jones referred to a conversation with a long-standing resident who raised concerns about the removal of a culvert at the South Pond as part of the Beechcroft application for the Abbey Mill site. He felt that this removal would result in flooding, similar to that experienced in 2014, in the Middlebrook area. Committee agreed to raise these concerns with the developer, copied to the Environmental Agency. **Action: Clerk**
Cllr Jones mentioned concerns raised over the number of rats at the North Pond viewing area – there had been reports of children being attacked when feeding the ducks.
This issue to be reported to the North Pond Conservation Group and the Environmental Team at WCC. **Action: Clerk**
Cllr Ford noted that the new yellow lining in the High Street and Cross Street was a mess and totally unenforceable.
Concerns to be passed to WCC. **Action: Clerk**
- PH007/23** **Parish Lengthsman's Report - to consider any motion put to the meeting as a result.**
Apologies received.
- PH008/23** **Parish Council's Tree Warden Report.**
To consider any motion put to the meeting as a result.
Including report on Rareridge Lane land.
Mrs Grover reported/commented on the following: Land at Rareridge Lane – no mature trees, scrub land with willow and brambles. The area did benefit wildlife but no real trees of value other than one oak which should be protected if there was any development in the future.
Happy Farm land – removal of trees – site visited by Tree Officer from WCC.
Victoria Road Parish Council TPO application – very considered report no issues raised.
- PH009/23** **Parish Rights of Way Warden's Report - to consider any motion put to the meeting as a result.**
Report on file – noted.
Mrs Shields also commented on the following: FP31 (planning application) obstruction of path – locked gate; diverted route agreed, informally, with the Senior Countryside Ranger now removed from use. Letter to be sent to HCC Countryside Access from the Committee raising these concerns. **Action: Clerk**
FP42A – letter and report to be sent. **Action: Clerk**
FP43 – installation of new gates – on hold awaiting Ramblers installation – agenda item June if gates not installed. **Action: Clerk/RS**
Volunteer wardens meeting to be held in July. Thanks to Mrs McKenzie for becoming a volunteer warden.

- PH010/23 Minutes of the meeting of the Planning and Highways Committee – 25th April 2023.
Resolved: to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Planning and Highways Committee of the 25th April 2023.**
Proposed: Cllr Mrs Conduct
Seconded: Cllr Williams
All in favour that were present at the meeting.
- PH011/23 Actions Arising from the Minutes of the meeting of the 25th April 2023 (for information only).**
Noted.
PH165/22 Relocation of bin at Beeches Hill. Cost of £200 agreed by Chair and Clerk under delegated authority. WCC to be advised. **Action: Clerk**
- PH012/23 Actions Arising – Town Centre Bin Store and Ridgemedede Parking Issues – responses for consideration.**
Town Centre Bin Store.
Concerns were still raised about the crossing of Houchin Street to access the facility and whether it would be fully utilised.
Resolved: to support the installation of a Bin Store in the Basingwell Street car park as proposed by Winchester City Council.
Proposed: Cllr Williams
Seconded: Cllr Mrs Conduct.
4 in favour, 2 abstentions.
WCC to be advised of decision. **Action: Clerk**
Ridgemedede Parking Issues.
Response noted.
- The Clerk reminded all Councillors that background information to any agenda item was available from the office. Councillors should contact the Clerk for this information if they were unsure of the detail of any agenda item prior to the meeting.
- PH013/23 Financial Position Year to Date.
To note current position.**
Position year to date noted.
- PH014/23 South Downs National Park Authority CIL Funding – for consideration.**
Discussion points:
Number of footpaths in the SDNP that required new gates.
Use of the funding for a feasibility study of the proposed BW to Swanmore cycle path – matched funding from Swanmore PC?
Further CIL funding from the SDNPA (Cllr Williams to check).
Resolved: to defer discussion until the June meeting to allow further information to be obtained.
Proposed: Cllr Jones
Seconded: Cllr Mrs Conduct
All in favour. **Action: JW/Clerk**
- Cllr Williams left the meeting (interest declared).

PH015/23 **Planning Applications: to ratify the responses from the Vice Chairman and Clerk.**
Resolved: to ratify the responses from the Vice Chairman and the Clerk.
Proposed: Cllr Jones
Seconded: Cllr Ford
All in favour.

PH016/23 **Planning Applications for consideration.**
23/01160/TPO **Closing date for comments: 1.6.23**
Bishop's Waltham Parish Council
0906 (sycamore) - Remove basal growth. Remove lowest laterals obstructing building to create 3m clearance.
0905 (mixes species comprising ash, thorn, sycamore) - Fell dead Thorn adjacent to building. Fell Ash running parallel to footpath to allow chestnut to thrive (BT wire running low at about 4m)
0904 (oak) - Shorten lowest eastern lateral branch by up to 3m
1831 (ash) - Fell (Ash Dieback present)
1830B (willow) - Coppice
1830 (oak) - Crown reduce from branch tips by up to 4m
1829 (oak) - Shorten branch by up to 5m from branch tips
1828 (oak) - Suppressed by group pressure. Reduce southern lateral branch over neighbouring property by up to 3m from branch tips back to suitable live pruning points
1827a (thorne) - Remove. Resting on neighbouring building
1827 (oak) - Shorten eastern and southern branches extending over neighbouring property by up to 3m from branch tips
1826 (oak) - Shorten eastern and southern branches extending over neighbouring property by up to 3m from branch tips
1825 (oak) - i) Create a 3m clearance around the base of the tree to allow further inspection. ii) Begin a retrenchment program
Crown reduce from branch tips by up to 3m retaining as much lower growth as possible
1822 (oak) - Remove dead branches over open space.
Recreation Ground, Victoria Road, Bishop's Waltham.
Recommendation: PC application – no concerns raised by Tree Warden – no comment – unanimous.

23/01571/CND **Closing date for comments: 8.6.23**
Mrs L Penson
Variation of condition 2 of planning application of reference number SDNP/22/03491/FUL - to allow for the addition of a centrally placed, full height protruding entrance porch with inward opening doors and pitched roof to the East elevation of the approved Hay Barn.
Metlands Farm, Dean Lane, Bishop's Waltham.
Recommendation: whilst noting the proposed amendments to the doors (now opening inwards) the Committee still recommended objection due to the encroachment of the porch creating a detrimental effect on the public footpath – unanimous.

PH017/23 **Planning Applications.**
Decisions by WCC Delegated Officers/Committee, SDNP Planning Authority and Appeal Decisions.
Noted.

Cllr Williams returned to the meeting.

- PH018/23 Correspondence for consideration:
Resident – Upper Basingwell Street traffic.**
Correspondence noted – comments to be passed to Highways. New sign to be requested.
- PH019/23 Grant opportunities – for consideration.**
Noted.
- PH020/23 Report on meeting with Bargate (for information only).**
Noted.
The Clerk advised the Committee that Bargate had agreed to install a dog waste bin – this Committee to cover costs of emptying.
Cllr Ford to provide copy for a Facebook post relaying points from the meeting.
Mrs McKenzie informed the Committee that currently there was no access for the PC onto the green space.
- PH021/23 Chairman's Report.**
The Chairman tabled a vote of thanks to Josie Wood for her hard work over the years for this Committee and passed on best wishes.
- PH022/23 Requests for future agenda items.**
1. FP43 – kissing gates (see PH009/23).
2. Resident parking – Cllr Jones. **Action: KJ/Clerk**
- PH023/23 Date of next meeting Tuesday 27th June 2023.**
Noted.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8:24pm.