



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 25th March 2025 at 7.00pm

Present: Cllr Conduct Vice Chairman of the Committee
Cllr Homer
Cllr Jones Chairman of the Committee
Cllr Wood

Also in attendance: Mrs Grover Tree Warden
Mrs McKenzie Committee Clerk/Executive Officer
Mrs Shields Parish Rights of Way Warden

Members of Public: 4

PH210/24 To receive and accept apologies for non-attendance

Cllr Jelf – work commitment
Cllr Sherwood – family commitment

Resolved: To accept apologies for non-attendance

Proposed: Cllr Conduct

Seconded: Cllr Wood

All in favour

PH211/24 To receive any declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests on items on the agenda.

PH212/24 To receive any declarations of personal, pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests on items on the agenda.

Cllr Wood – PH219/24 - 25/00403/HOU

Cllr Homer joined the meeting at 7:05pm.

PH213/24 Public Session

The Chairman explained the process related to the Thicketts Farm consultation. It was clarified that no planning application had yet been received and therefore no discussions would be held until this time.

The four members of the public left the meeting.

PH214/24 Parish Council's Tree Warden Report - to consider any motion put to the meeting as a result.

Mrs Grover noted:-

- 25/00376/TPC – application investigated and a 'no comment' response noted.
- Hedge Planting at Montague Road/Pondside bridleway taking place on 29.3.25

PH215/24 Parish Rights of Way Warden's Report - to consider any motion put to the meeting as a result.


Report noted.

Footpath 5 and 12 issues discussed with a further meeting due to be held on 2.4.25

A new process was being formulated by the group for footpath checking.

Footpath 39 and 50 issues highlighted with drainage ditches noted.

A proforma for the new PROWW report would be devised for next month following their meeting


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on 31.3.25.

The Committee then took the opportunity to wholeheartedly thank Mrs Shields for her dedication to the role on behalf of the Parish Council and footpath walkers of Bishop's Waltham.

The Parish Rights of Way Warden and Tree Warden left the meeting at this point.

PH216/24 Minutes of Meeting of the Planning and Highways Committee – 25th February 2025
Resolved: to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Planning and Highways Committee of the 25th February 2025.

Proposed: Cllr Conduct

Seconded: Cllr Wood

All in favour who were at the meeting on 25th February 2025.

PH217/24 Actions Arising from the Minutes of the meeting of the 25th February 2025.

An update was provided by the Executive Officer. An email had been sent to Hampshire Highways requesting a meeting but no response yet received. The new bin for Colville Drive had been ordered as a budgeted item and WCC had confirmed that plans for a new bin outside the Palace grounds were in progress.

PH218/24 Financial Position Year to Date

The Executive Officer explained that the HCC grant money awarded in 2024 for speed indicator devices would drop into general reserves at the end of March. However, this money could be drawn back when needed for this purpose which was anticipated to cover the cost of purchase and installation of SID poles by HCC.

Resolved: To note the financial position year to date and movement of underspend to general reserves

Proposed: Cllr Jones

Seconded: Cllr Conduct

All in favour.

PH219/24 Planning Applications: to ratify the responses from the Chairman, Vice Chairman and Clerk.

None for this meeting.

PH220/24 Planning Applications

25/00403/HOU

Closing Date: 31.3.25

First floor and two-storey rear/side extension
23 Malvern Close, Bishop's Waltham SO32 1DX

Neutral: No objection. 3 in favour, 1 abstention.

25/00481/HOU

Closing Date: 31.3.25

Removal of existing garage door and replacing with new casement window and change of use from garage to habitable study

Willowbank, Rareridge Lane, Bishop's Waltham SO32 1DX

Neutral: No objection. All in favour.

SNDP/25/00795/FUL

Closing Date: 31.3.25

Proposed 2-bedroom single storey replacement dwelling with detached car port
Bay Tree Stables, Dundridge Lane, Bishop's Waltham SO32 1GD

Neutral: No objection. All in favour.

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25/00376/TPC

Decision by WCC due: 8.4.25

Removal of Horse Chestnut to low stump level.
The Old Rectory, Maypole Green, Bishop's Waltham SO32 1PW

PC can't comment officially but noted as a neutral stance, no objection. All in favour.

SNDP/25/00839/FUL

Closing Date: 1.4.25

Change of Use – A new animal rearing block with 6no calf and 2no horse rearing pens. Two grazing field, of which one will be used for cattle. The second field will be used for both horses and cattle. A new cattle barn for wintering. A new equestrian sand school.
Meadow View, Winchester Road, Durley, SO32 2AJ

Neutral: No objection. All in favour.

25/00583/HOU

Closing Date: 10.4.25

Demolition of an existing conservatory and replacement with a single storey Garden Room
Hollytree House, Hoe Road, Bishop's Waltham SO32 1DU

Neutral: No objection. All in favour.

Resolved: To make comments as noted above to the appropriate Planning Officer

Proposed: Cllr Jones

Seconded: Cllr Conduct

All in favour (except 25/00403/HOU which 1 abstained from)

PH221/24 Planning Applications. Decisions by WCC Delegated Officers/Committee, SDNP Planning Authority and Appeal Decisions.

Noted.

PH222/24 Potential Sites for Development on the Boundary of the South Down National Park

The two sites were duly deliberated but concerns were noted on topography and access.

Resolved: To note that the sites had been considered but taken forward at this time.

Proposed: Cllr Homer

Seconded: Cllr Wood

All in favour

ACTION: Working Group to reconvene to discuss alternative ideas. ACTION: WG – JW,R Shields

PH223/24 Community Speed Watch - Update

It was noted that the group had successfully held 4 sessions and were raising visible attention to the issue of speeding around the town.

PH224/24 Speed Indicator Devices – Update

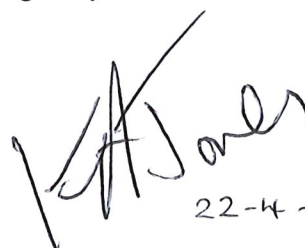
Cllr Conduct provided a verbal update on progress steadily being made.

PH225/24 Bus Shelters – Support from Hampshire County Council

Noted.

PH226/24 HCC Licence/Consent to Plant Alongside the Highway – Renewal on behalf of Bishop's Waltham in Bloom

The paper tabled was considered favourably.


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Resolved:

- i) To approve the application and cost (£209.50 for 3 years) for an HCC Licence/Consent to plant alongside the highway, on behalf, and in support, of Bishop's Waltham In Bloom
- ii) To propose a budget line for 2026 onwards for the maintenance of floral assets in the town at a cost of £2,000, raising with inflation as appropriate, in support of Bishop's Waltham In Bloom.

Proposed: Cllr Jones

Seconded: Cllr Wood

All in favour

ACTION: To progress the application to HCC

ACTION: To inform BWIB of these resolutions

ACTION: Executive Officer

ACTION: Executive Officer

PH227/24 Chairman's Report

The Chairman noted that he had supported the Parish Council's 'Clean Up' litter pick event on 22.3.25 and attended an online session with the Rural Market Towns group on 24.3.25.

PH228/24 Requests for future agenda items

None at this time.

PH229/24 Date of next meeting - Tuesday 22nd April 2025

Noted.

PH230/24 Motion for confidential business: The Chairman then moved: That in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the public and press be temporarily excluded, and they are instructed to withdraw in accordance with the provisions of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960.

PH231/24 WCC and SDNPA Enforcement Lists

Noted.

Some items were considered completed.

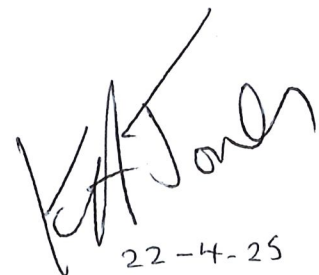
ACTION: To request to WCC that the lists be updated

ACTION: Executive Officer

PH232/24 WCC – Revised Local enforcement Plan Consultation - Response

Cllr Conduct and Cllr Wood had devised and submitted a response to the consultation. It was noted that the plan was sound, the issue was that WCC do not seem to apply it meaningfully or in good time. It was noted that reapplications during the enforcement process were still a concern.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.29pm.



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