

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 26th August 2025 at 7.00pm

Present: Cllr Conduct Vice Chairman of the Committee

Cllr Homer

Cllr Jones Chairman of the Committee

Cllr McLean Co-opted Councillor

Cllr Wood

Non-Committee Member Cllr Latham Coopted for the evening

Also in attendance: Mr Finney Parish Rights of Way Warden

Mrs McKenzie Committee Clerk/Executive Officer

Members of Public: 5

PH73/25 To receive and accept apologies for non-attendance

Resolved: To note all Committee members present with no apologies for non-attendance and

co-opt Cllr Latham onto the Committee for the evening

Proposed: Cllr Jones Seconded: Cllr Conduct

All in favour

PH74/25 To receive any declarations of disclosable pecuniary Interests on items on the agenda.

None.

PH75/25 To receive any declarations of personal, pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests on items on the agenda.

Cllr Jones – Agenda Item 11 – 25/01328/HOU

Cllr Wood – Agenda Item 11 – 25/01328/HOU

Cllr Latham – Agenda Item 11 – SDNP/25/03139/FUL

PH76/25 Public Session

Three points were raised:-

- The bus shelter opposite Sainsburys Garage is in disrepair and due for removal. A request
 was made to add a mirror to enable drivers to see more clearly up and down the road. It
 was noted that Hampshire Highways were unlikely to grant permission as this was on a
 pavement position.
- A request was made for a flagpole to be installed on the verge by St George's Square –
 a formal proposal would be put into writing as a future agenda item.
- The demise of a swan was sadly noted. A request had already been lodged with HCC for more signage.

PH77/25 Parish Council's Tree Warden Report - to consider any motion put to the meeting as a result.

The Tree Warden had offered apologies for non-attendance.



A newly submitted planning application for tree felling was noted (25/01655/TPO) and Cllr Homer offered to investigate the case. **ACTION: Cllr Homer**

PH78/25 Parish Rights of Way Warden's Report - to consider any motion put to the meeting as a result.

- FP2 planned work completed to resurface pathway
- FP15 cut back from Dean to Corhampton completed
- FP8 cut back from Dundridge to Corhampton completed

The Committee thanked the PROWW for the team's work which was appreciated by Ramblers, dog walkers and horse riders in particular.

The PROWW left the meeting at this point.

PH79/25 Minutes of Meeting of the Planning and Highways Committee – 22nd July 2025 Resolved: to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Planning and Highways Committee of

the 22nd July 2025 Proposed: Cllr Conduct Seconded: Cllr Wood

All in favour who were at the meeting on 22nd July 2025

PH80/25 Actions Arising from the Minutes of the meeting of the 22nd July 2025

Noted.

PH81/25 Financial Position Year to Date

A minor asset spend was noted for a speed gun for the Speedwatch Group as recommended by Hampshire Constabulary for use.

Resolved: To note the financial position year to date

Proposed: Cllr Jones Seconded: Cllr Conduct

All in favour.

PH82/25 Planning Applications: to ratify the responses from the Chairman, Vice Chairman and Clerk.

None tabled for this month.

PH83/25 Planning Applications

25/01505/HOU Closing Date: 1.9.25

Alterations to outbuilding, extension to roof and garage improvements

Whitegate House, Hoe Road, Bishop's Waltham SO32 1DU

Support – All in favour

SDNP/25/03139/FUL Closing Date: 1.9.25

Proposed single storey rear extension and single storey entrance porch

Bishop's Waltham Scout Hut, Hoe Road Recreation Ground, Bishop's Waltham SO32 1DU Support – 5 in favour, 1 abstention

25/01577/HOU Closing Date: 4.9.25

Construction of new rear extension and all associated works

6 Hazel Grove, Bishop's Waltham SO32 1PS

Support – All in favour



25/01328/HOU Closing Date: 8.9.25

Replacement of existing conservatory

16 St Bonnet Drive, Bishop's Waltham \$032 1SY

Support – 4 in favour, 2 abstentions

PH84/25 Planning Applications. Decisions by WCC Delegated Officers/Committee, SDNP Planning Authority and Appeal Decisions.

Noted.

PH85/25 Correspondence: High Street Road Markings

Cllr Jones presented the agenda item on the High Street road markings being faint in places, possible misleading in places and considered in the wrong places at some points. It was noted as an ongoing matter of concern with the Parish Council and Chamber of Trade. The members of the public in attendance had provided letters sent to Hampshire County Council in relation to this matter and the replies given were noted. The work of the Civil Enforcement Officers was highlighted also. The Parish Council were due to hold a Teams meeting with the WCC Traffic East team in due course.

Resolved: To write to Hampshire County Council again, with copy to the MP, requesting attention

to this matter. Proposed: Cllr Jones

Seconded: Cllr Conduct

All in favour. ACTION: Executive Officer

Three members of the public left the meeting following discussion of this agenda item.

PH86/25 Pavement Licences on Bishop's Waltham High Street

It was noted that pavement licences were granted for certain periods of time before a renewal was required and that all premises with a licence had to display it in the window.

Resolved: To write to WCC Licencing and check which BW licences were valid

Proposed: Cllr Sherwood Seconded: Cllr Conduct

All in favour ACTION: Executive Officer

PH87/25 Basingwell Street Car Park Bin Store and Houchin Street

The paper tabled was duly deliberated.

Resolved: To write to HCC citing its duties under Section 130 of the Highways Act 1980 and request that they investigate and take enforcement action to remove obstructions caused by waste bins on Houchin Street.

Proposed: Cllr Latham Seconded: Cllr Conduct

All in favour ACTION: Executive Officer

PH88/25 Chairman's Report

Noted.

PH89/25 Clerk's Report

Noted.

There was considerable concern raised following correspondence received recently regarding the widening of the pavement outside The Spar without the positioning of bollards to stop drivers parking on the kerb to access the shop. A fatality at the junction had occurred due to a visibility



blockage previously and it was key to road improvements at this junction that parking was not permitted on the highway.

Resolved: To request to WCC Traffic East Team that planters were considered on the pavement of the B2177 by The Avenue Junction to alleviate the concern of drivers parking and causing an obstruction and visibility H&S problem at the site.

Proposed: Cllr Jones Seconded: Cllr Wood

All in favour ACTION: Executive Officer

Concern was also raised about the New Premises Licence Application from Ellonies as, despite reassurances personally given at the previous meeting and a site meeting that rooftop terrace licensing was just staff, not customers, it has been confirmed that the company had now applied to WCC for such. It was felt that this disingenuous approach needed addressing.

Resolved: To write to WCC Licensing Team to request a relisting or extension to the application process due to the misleading information given to the Parish Council and members of the public in relation to this. (Fair representation and public consultation were key in any application process, particularly in regard to potential noise as a public nuisance and concerns over public safety.)

Proposed: Cllr Homer Seconded: Cllr McLean 5 in favour, 2 abstentions

PH90/25 Requests for future agenda items.

- Request for flagpole written proposal to come from resident
- Request for mirror opposite Sainsburys Garage written proposal to come from resident

PH91/25 Date of next meeting - Tuesday 23rd September 2025 Noted.

The remaining members of the public left at this point (8.40pm).

ACTION: Executive Officer

PH92/25 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.

PH93/25 WCC and SDNPA Enforcement Lists

Noted.

ACTION: To enquire to SDNP why case SDNP/25/00225/COU had closed off, and what the investigation notes concluded.

ACTION: Executive Officer

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.44pm.