

Bishop's Waltham Parish Council A Meeting of the Parish Council's Planning and Highways Committee will be held in the Ruby Room in the Jubilee Hall Bishop's Waltham on Tuesday 30th January 2024 at 7.00pm.

The meeting will be open to the public unless the Committee directs otherwise. $\underline{\text{Agenda}}$

All papers/reports are available from the Council office (except where classified as confidential).

- 1. To receive and accept apologies for non-attendance
- 2. To note the resignation of the Vice Chair of the Committee and elect a replacement
- 3. To receive and accept declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests relating to items on this agenda
- 4. To receive and accept any personal, pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests relating to items on this agenda
- 5. Public Session for information only
- 6. Parish Lengthsman's Report to consider any motion put to the meeting as a result
- 7. Parish Council's Tree Warden's Report to consider any motion put to the meeting as a result
- 8. Parish Rights of Way Warden's Report to consider any motion put to the meeting as a result
- 9. To approve the minutes of the Planning and Highways Committee 28th November 2023
- Actions Arising from the meeting of the Planning and Highways Committee 28th November 2023 for information only
- 11. Financial position year to date to note current position
- 12. Quarterly Budget Review for consideration
- 13. Planning Applications: to ratify responses from Chairman, Vice Chairman and Clerk
- 14. Planning Applications for consideration:

23/02631/FUL Closing Date: 31.1.24

Demolition of former ESSO garage and the erection of 6 no. new dwellings with car parking and use of existing access onto Winchester Road

ESSO, Winchester Road, Bishop's Waltham SO32 1BA

24/00038/FUL Closing Date: 1.2.24

Change of use from Class E to Sui Generis Use for Canine Welfare Centre for Dog day care and Behaviour and training clinic; parking area and fencing.

Mitre Blue Light Site, Botley Road, Bishop's Waltham

23/02618/HOU Closing Date: 6.2.24

Replace ground floor canopy with part first-floor balcony (1.2m in depth) above with railings and side screens, and associated window/door alterations (part retrospective; amended drawings)

Alice Cottage, 12 Upper Basingwell Street, Bishop's Waltham SO32 1AL

23/02843/HOU Closing Date: 13.2.24

New two storey bay window front extension and covered porch over the front door Double Dee Park Road Bishops Waltham Southampton Hampshire SO32 1BQ

Parish Council Office, The Jubilee Hall, Little Shore Lane, Bishop's Waltham, Hampshire, SO32 1ED. Tel: 01489 892323

SDNP/23/01571/CND – for information only Discharge of condition 6 of planning applications Metlands Farm Dean Lane Bishops Waltham Hampshire \$032 1FW

- 15. Planning Applications: Decisions by WCC Delegated Officers/Committee, SDNP Planning Authority and Appeal Decisions for information.
- 16. Bus Shelter Audit 2024 for consideration
- 17. Bishop's Waltham to Swanmore Pathway Project Update for consideration.
- 18. Accessibility Project Update for consideration
- 19. Speedwatch Update for consideration
- 20. Correspondence Basingwell Street Car Park Bin Store with Full Council resolution for consideration
- 21. Correspondence Proposal for Pedestrianisation of the Lower High Street for consideration
- 22. Correspondence Road Safety on Winchester Road into Bishop's Meadow Estate for consideration
- 23. Chairman's report for information only
- 24. Requests for future agenda items for information only
- 25. Date of next meeting Tuesday 27th February 2024
- 26. Motion for confidential business:

The following motion will be moved on the completion of the above business: 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.

27. WCC and SDNPA Enforcement Lists – for consideration

EMcKenzie

Clerk to the Committee 23.1.24



Planning and Highways Committee

30.1.24

Agenda Item – Resignation of Committee Vice Chair and Election of Replacement – for consideration

Due to the resignation of Cllr Ford on 16.1.24, the position of Vice Chair of the Planning and Highways Committee has become available.

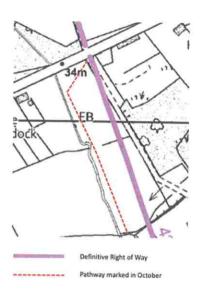
Proposal:

To note the resignation of the Committee Vice Chair and elect a replacement.

RoW Report for January 2024

Footpath 43 kissing gates: Emma contacted Richard Randall, fencing contractor, requesting him to come for a site visit to assess a cost of installing the two kissing gates. He has not yet arranged a date.

Footpath 42A: The local resident has again contacted me about the re-routing of the section of path from Winter's Hill across the first field where the Esso pipeline passes. On 14th December, workmen came to reinstate the path to its correct line but were persuaded to move it back to the line, shown in red on the chart, by the landowner, John Newbury of Woodlea Nursery. To avoid further confrontation, the company, Fisher German, contracted by Esso, say that they will contact Bishop's Waltham Parish Council before they come out to carry out the final remedial work in the spring so that the correct line can be marked out. The resident has suggested that 'an officially headed laminated map' could be attached to the fingerpost at the road but Fisher German should already



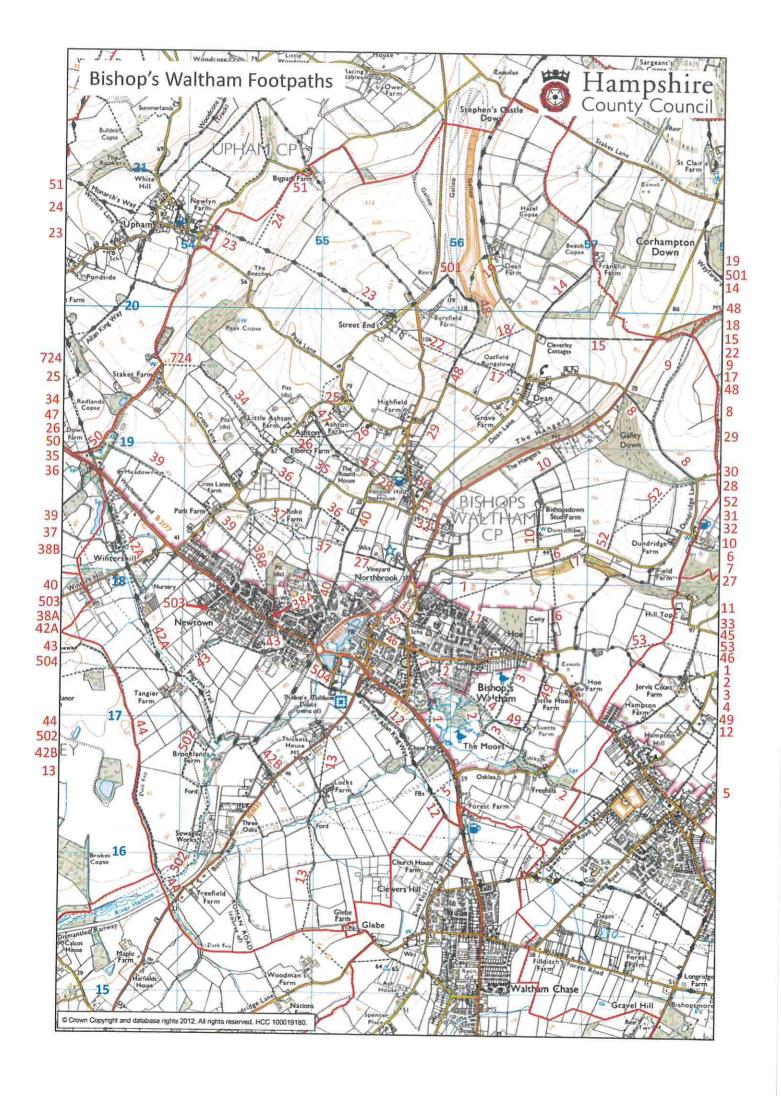
possess a map with all Rights of Way marked. I suggest that a letter should be sent to the landowner pointing out the correct line of the Right of Way.

Runnydown Copse: Anxiety has been raised with members of the public, through Social Media, about a notice having been posted by The Woodland Trust at the entrance gate of Runnydown Copse about a new schedule of Maintenance Work to be carried out between 2024 and 2028. There is no suggestion that the woodland will be closed, however, and the paths within Runnydown Copse are, in any case, permissive except for the path which runs north/south down the steps. The poor state of these steps has been reported a number of times and the Woodland Trust has again reminded of the problem.

A meeting of footpath wardens was held at the beginning of December. It was suggested that some of the fingerposts around the parish should display a QR code with information about the path. This will be investigated further when we next hold a meeting. We now have 8 volunteers with another person having shown interest. Two members have yet to receive official training from HCC Countryside Services, one of them having been waiting for several months.

Ruth Shields

January 2024





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 28th November 2023 at 7.00pm

Present:

Cllr Conduct

Cllr Ford

Vice Chairman Chairman

Cllr Jones

Cllr Jelf Cllr Nicholson

Cllr Williams Cllr P Wilson

Non-Committee Members

None

Also in attendance

Mrs McKenzie

Committee Clerk/Executive Officer

Mrs Shields

Parish Rights of Way Warden

Mrs Grover Mr Wall

Parish Tree Warden Parish Lengthsman

Members of public

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PH139/23

To receive and accept apologies for non-attendance.

None. All present.

PH140/23

To receive any declarations of disclosable pecuniary Interests on items on the

agenda.

Cllr Jelf – agenda item 17 (PH155/23)

Cllr Williams – agenda item13 (PH151/23) as District Councillor and Deputy to the

WCC Planning Committee.

PH141/23

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

Cllr Jones re: Enforcement issues in Confidential Section (PH162/23)

Cllr Nicholson – agenda item 17 – 23/02432/OUT (PH151/23)

Cllr Williams re: Enforcement issues in Confidential Section (PH162/23)

PH142/23

Public Session

Residents repeatedly requesting the SID to be installed on Crown Hill on the Botley Road. This was added to by a request for the return of the unit on Coppice Hill also. The Committee were updated that the units were due to be back in action in the new year when human resources to install them and move them was confirmed.

A discussion was heard regarding the WCC Planning Committee's hearing of the Old Forge planning application on 15.11.23. It was noted that no questions were asked of Cllr Ford, the Parish Council representative present at the meeting, and it seemed important points in relation to the Design Statement had been disregarded.

ACTION: To investigate appeal process and related costs

ACTION: EO/KJ/KF

ACTION: To consider article on case for Hampshire Chronicle ACTION: EO/KJ



Cllr Williams reported on discussions at WCC regarding the 20s Plenty scheme and how some decisions and actions may be devolved to Parish Council level i.e. speed signage. ACTION: Ensure monitor discussions on this topic ACTION: JW/EO

PH143/23

Parish Lengthsman's Report - to consider any motion put to the meeting as a result.

Points raised:-

The nominated Lengthsman's vehicle was becoming unreliable and increasing maintenance costs were of concern. The suggestion under consideration to sell the van and use an alternative council vehicle was favoured until a suitable replacement could be found.

Increasingly dog waste was being put in general litter bins in two locations on Parish Council land and a request was made for dual waste bins at these sites.

ACTION: To investigate costs of two dual waste bins **ACTION: H&G Clerk** The HCC 'gutter sucker' vehicle had been visible in town recently which was reassuring to address frequent drainage issues. Vegetation had also been cleared by the Mill Pond alleviating overgrown footpath problems. Likewise, works had been undertaken from Wintershill to Upham triangle.

A course on First Time Managers had been successfully passed and the Committee commended the Lengthsman on this award for his work with the Community Payback Scheme.

A course on Roadside Safety was being planned to further support relevant knowledge and skills in response to last month's concerns about traffic.

PH144/23

Parish Council's Tree Warden Report.

To consider any motion put to the meeting as a result.

Mrs Grover reported/commented on the following:

A silver birch had been felled in Houchin Street alongside the car park due to root invasion, but a replacement was planned for planting soon.

Response to planning applications:-

23/02673/TPC - no objection

23/02530/TPC - Neutral to all except 1068 (yew) to recommend a prop/cage to preserve heritage tree in heritage location.

ACTION: Report recommendation to WCC

ACTION: EO The Tree Warden also highlighted progress on the HCC Shoots along the routes scheme and thanked the Halls and Grounds Committee members for their positive support.

PH145/23

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

The report submitted was noted.

Footpath 7 - issue of electric fencing in position resolved as tenant has now removed it.

Footpath 43 – delay with installation due to weather.

ACTION: Seek quotation for installation from alternative contractor ACTION: EO Footpath 42A – monitor remedial works.

Footpath 2 – metal trip hazards noted ACTION: Report issue to HCC ACTION: EO Footpath 13 - issues reported at Parish Council meeting in November. Electric fence in first field only temporary; landowner reminded of signage needed. Solar farm fields clear and accessible.



PH146/23

Minutes of the meeting of the Planning and Highways Committee – 24th October

2023.

Resolved: to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Planning and Highways

Committee of the 24th October 2023.

Proposed: Cllr Williams Seconded: Cllr Jelf

All in favour who were present at the meeting on 24th October 2023.

PH147/23

Actions Arising from the Minutes of the meeting of the 24th October 2023

Noted.

Extend date for Risk Assessment to February 2024 due to training required. The Lower Lane Depot final planning application status had been circulated.

Note as complete.

Shoots Along The Routes initiative progressing well.

PH148/23

Financial Position Year to Date

Current position noted.

The Chairman had liaised with an advertising company about bus shelter advertising but still at an early stage of discussions. An idea for clear poster

holders for bus shelters suggested.

ACTION: Investigate poster holders and related costs for bus shelters ACTION: EO Lengthsman to audit bus shelters and recommend any replacement panels or signage for spend using allocated budget remaining before end of March 2023.

ACTION: Audit bus shelters for repair needs

ACTION: Lengthsman

Suggestion of purchase of printer for road signage made, which could then be

offered as service to other community groups.

ACTION: Investigate cost of printer, ink and required materials

ACTION: EO

PH149/23

Committee Budget 2024-2025 - Final Draft

Resolved: to approve and recommend the Planning and Highways Committee

budget for 2024-25 to the Finance, Policy and Resources Committee.

Proposed: Cllr Nicholson Seconded: Cllr Ford All in favour.

Cllr Williams left the room.

Closing Date: 1.12.23

PH150/23

Planning Applications: to ratify the responses from the Chairman, Vice Chairman

Resolved: to ratify the responses from the Chairman, Vice Chairman and the

Proposed: Cllr Jelf

Clerk.

Seconded: Cllr Nicholson All in favour (6 in room).

PH151/23

Planning Applications for consideration.

23/02299/HOU

Air source heat pump installation within rear garden

5 Park Road, Bishop's Waltham SO32 1BQ

No objection - unanimous



SDNP/23/04682/HOUS

Closing Date: 5.12.23

Provide external wall insulation to the end gable and insulated render the property. Reinstate the old wash house to the rear of the property to be used as an office.

1 Primrose Terrace, Beeches Hill, Bishop's Waltham SO32 1FD

Noted three objections on the website and the point of modern needs versus heritage looks. Neutral – take consideration of neighbours' views and the Heritage Officer's report – unanimous.

23/02673/TPO

Closing Date: 6.12.23

Silver Birch (T1) 3M crown reduction, pruning cuts to be no more than 40mm in diameter White Culvers, Bank Street, Bishop's Waltham SO32 1AN

No objection – unanimous.

23/02432/OUT

Closing Date: 8.12.23

3 bedroom house within the garden of 15 Princes Close

15 Princes Close, Bishop's Waltham SO32 1RL

Neutral – appropriate parking provision should be planned into conditions – 5 in favour, 1 abstention.

23/02488/HOU

Closing Date: 13.12.23

2 storey rear and side extension 12 St Swithun Close, Bishop's Waltham SO32 1JY No objection – unanimous.

Cllr Williams returned to the meeting.

PH152/23

Planning Applications.

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

Noted.

PH153/23

Lengthsman's Vehicle – Update

The points made by the Parish Lengthsman were duly considered and the sale of the van recommended. The Chairman of the Halls and Grounds Committee explained that the use of a Grounds vehicle would be possible until a replacement arranged. He continued to clarify that the review of the council fleet of vehicles had recommended that the Ford Ranger was also considered for sale and a more flexible vehicle, a van, would be planned to ensure council services were effectively covered by two council vehicles - one pick up truck, one van. The working group were investigating leasing and electric options.

Resolved: To sell the Lengthsman's vehicle and use an alternative Grounds vehicle until a replacement is arranged.

Proposed: Cllr Conduct Seconded: Cllr Ford

All in favour.

ACTION: To liaise with local van sales centre for price of sale ACTION: PL/EO/KJ



PH154/23 Bishop's Waltham to Swanmore Pathway Project – Appointment to the Working

Group

Cllr Williams offered his support for the project as WCC councillor and would join the working group in any relevant meetings.

Resolved: To appoint Cllr Latham to the Bishop's Waltham to Swanmore Pathway

Project working group.
Proposed: Cllr Nicholson
Seconded: Cllr Williams

All in favour. ACTION: Executive Officer

PH155/23 Accessibility Project – Update

The update from HCC was noted.

Resolved: To appoint Cllr Jones, Cllr Nicholson and Cllr Wilson to the Accessibility Project working group and arrange a site meeting with HCC to review plans.

ACTION: Executive Officer

Proposed: Cllr Williams Seconded: Cllr Ford 6 in favour, 1 abstention.

PH156/23 Speedwatch – Update

The Executive Officer confirmed that there were nine volunteers still keen to be in the group and a poster had been designed for publicity to attract more. Cllr Nicholson had checked the devices and minor actions planned to make them serviceable. The Committee considered potential challenges over recording vehicle registration plates and the reception to the group by drivers but it was felt that the presence of the device/group was a deterrent to speeding and a focal point of education, not formal enforcement, for the community.

PH157/23 Correspondence – Parking on the High Street

Correspondence noted. Comments had been passed to HCC when appropriate.

An online meeting had been held with Cllr Nicholson, Cllr Humby (HCC) and Cllr Adams-King (HCC) to discuss high street lining and deliveries which had been positively followed up, with fresh lines anticipated in 2024.

ACTION: Social media post to update on actions ACTION: Exec Officer/ JW

PH158/23 Chairman's Report.

The Chairman reported on a busy month covering Remembrance day events, a poppy appeal activity, attending a Finance course and the Thank You to Volunteers evening. He had also visited, and supported, a resident with a water ingress problem likely to be from pavement issues. This would now be reported onto HCC/WCC by the resident.

PH159/23 Requests for future agenda items.

SID installation (Speed Indicator Device) Lengthsman's Vehicle

PH160/23 Date of next meeting Tuesday 30th January 2024.

Noted.



PH161/23 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

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PH162/23 WCC and SDNPA Enforcement Lists – for consideration.

Declarations of interest noted.

Lists and lack of change or action noted. Continue to monitor.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8:45pm.

Bishop's Waltham Parish Council Actions Arising from the Planning & Highways Committee meeting 28.11.23

Minute Number	Subject	Action	Date for completion	Action by	
PH080/23(iii), PH098/23	Dog bins	Sites at Botley Rd and Winchester Rd to be considered	Sep-23	EO	Agenda item Sept 23 to consider sites - Deer Walk, Shore Lane, Botley Rd
PH094/23	Blackthorn on Ftpth 39	Ascertain owner and request removal	Nov-23	EO	ROW officer deferred this action to when necessary
PH105/23, PH132/23	Speedwatch Group	To consider further publicity and liaise with PCSO	Nov-23	EO/BN	Liaison with PCSO in progres Updating volunteer list.
PH105/23, PH132/23	Speedwatch Camera	To charge battery and position on Cricklemede	Nov-23	BN	In progress,
PH118/23	School Crossing Patrol	To write to HCC about H&S concerns	Nov-23	EO	Matters in public domain
PH119/23	Risk Assessment	To review RA with PL	Nov-23	KJ/EJ	Mon 30,10,23 midday
PH127/23	Lower Lane Depot	To check final status of planning application	Complete	EO	
PH129/23	Parking Survey Result	To issue summary	Nov-23	EO	
PH130/23	HCC Tree Project	i) To apply for trees ii) Encourage landowners iii) To liaise with H&G	Nov-23	EO	Plan made - application to be progressed and submitted. Letters to landowners prepared. Liaised with H&G and gainer approval 21,11,23
PH142/23	Old Forge Application	i) To investigate appeal process ii) Newspaper article for case	Complete	EO	i) Letter written and appeal requested - denied ii) Informed newspaper
PH142/23	20s Plenty	To monitor discussions at WCC	Jan-24	EO/JW	Ongoing
PH143/23	Dual Waste Bins	To investigate costs for 2 PC locations	Complete	EO/AO	Cost same as current. H&G to progress plan.
PH144/23	23/02530/TPC	Complete	Dec-23	EO	
PH145/23	Kissing Gate Installation	To gather alternative quote for installation	Dec-23	EO	
PH145/23	Footpath 2 issue	To report to HCC	Dec-23	EO	<u> </u>
PH148/23	Bus Shelter Posters	To investigate posters for poster holders	Jan-24	EO	-
PH148/23	Bus Shelter Audit	To audit for repair needs	Complete	PL	Agenda Item Jan 24
PH148/23	Printer for road signs	To investigate cost	Jan-24	EO	
PH153/23	Van	To sell van	Complete	PL/EO/FM	
PH155/23	Accessibility Plan	To meet with HCC	Jan-24		Working group - KJ,BN,PW
PH157/23	Parking Update - Notice	To update on social media	Dec-23	EO/JW	5,5 1,5 1,5 1,5 1,5 1,5 1,5 1,5 1,5 1,5

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Detailed Income & Expenditure by Phased Budget Heading 31/12/2024

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Cost Centre Report

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Detailed Income & Expenditure by Phased Budget Heading 31/12/2024

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Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve



Planning & Highways Committee

30.1.24

Agenda Item - Quarterly Budget Review - for consideration

Each committee will review its actual expenditure against budgeted expenditure every quarter. Material variances over 25% should be detailed as per the Financial Regulations. Once each committee has reviewed the budget, any actions will need to be approved by the Finance, Policy and Resources Committee.

The Planning & Highways Committee Quarterly Budget Review is attached. This shows a significant underspend due to budgeted expenditure not expected in this quarter.

Proposal:

To consider the Planning & Highways Committee Quarterly Budget Review as tabled.

Finance Manager 24.1.24

Quarterly Budget Review 2023-24 October - December 2023 Planning & Highways Committee

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Planning and Highways Committee

30.1.24

Agenda Item - Planning Applications: to ratify responses from Chairman, Vice Chairman and Clerk.

23/02780/TPO

Closing Date: 20.12.23

T1 Red Oak reduce in height by 2-3 metres cur back lateral spread upon to 3 meters in order to reduce overall crown spread of the tree and reduce the weight on one side towards neighbours' house. Horseshoes, Rareridge Lane, Bishop's Waltham, SO32 1DX

Objection - This is a magnificent tree that the applicant does not outline any problems about. It shows no problems to neighbouring properties. If a renewed planning application were to be submitted, outlining a clear need for a reduction of the westerly branch, then this would be a suitable application for action.

23/02855/TPO

Closing Date: 2.1.24

T2 Oak – remove. The tree works are proposed to stop the influence of the tree(s) on the soil below building foundation level and provide long term stability.

18 Hermitage Close, Bishop's Waltham SO32 1DD

Objection - A professional surveyor's report needs to be requested. This report should outline and identify the issues arising and detail several different approaches to possible remedial tree work. This is a tree with a TPO and needs to be carefully considered to maintain the tree if at all possible, to the agreement of all parties.

SDNP/23/05208/FUL

Closing Date: 8.1.24

Retrospective application for new build property built on new foundations following failure to retain existing shell due to investigated condition beyond repair.

The White Cottage, Dundridge Lane, Bishop's Waltham SO32 1GD No objection.

23/02772/HOU

Closing Date: 30.1.24

Demolish existing garage and rebuild on same site but slightly bigger using existing base Thornbury, the Avenue, Bishop's Waltham \$032 1BP No comment.

Proposal: to ratify responses from Chairman, Vice Chairman and Clerk during December 2023 (first three ratified by Full Council 16.1.24).



Planning and Highways Committee

30.1.24

Agenda Item - Planning Applications - for consideration

23/02631/FUL Closing Date: 31.1.24

Demolition of former ESSO garage and the erection of 6 no. new dwellings with car parking and use of existing access onto Winchester Road

ESSO, Winchester Road, Bishop's Waltham SO32 1BA

24/00038/FUL Closing Date: 1.2.24

Change of use from Class E to Sui Generis Use for Canine Welfare Centre for Dog day care and Behaviour and training clinic; parking area and fencing.

Mitre Blue Light Site, Botley Road, Bishop's Waltham

23/02618/HOU Closing Date: 6.2.24

Replace ground floor canopy with part first-floor balcony (1.2m in depth) above with railings and side screens, and associated window/door alterations (part retrospective; amended drawings)

Alice Cottage, 12 Upper Basingwell Street, Bishop's Waltham SO32 1AL

23/02843/HOU Closing Date: 13.2.24

New two storey bay window front extension and covered porch over the front door

Double Dee Park Road Bishops Waltham Southampton Hampshire SO32 1BQ

SDNP/23/01571/CND – for information only

Discharge of condition 6 of planning applications

Metlands Farm Dean Lane Bishops Waltham Hampshire SO32 1FW



Planning and Highways Committee

30.1.24

Agenda item: Decisions by Delegated Officer to Winchester City Council, WCC Planning Development Control Committee, South Downs National Park Authority and Appeals inspector up to 24.1.24

23/02299/HOU

Closing Date: 1.12.23

Air source heat pump installation within rear garden 5 Park Road, Bishop's Waltham SO32 1BQ Application Withdrawn.

23/02488/HOU

Closing Date: 13.12.23

2 storey rear and side extension12 St Swithun Close, Bishop's Waltham SO32 1JY Application Permitted.

SDNP/23/02321/HOUS

Approved: 14.12.23

Single storey rear extension.

3 Vernon Hill Cottages, Vernon Hill, Bishop's Waltham, SO32 1FH. Application Permitted.

SDNP/23/03523/HOUS

Approved: 13.12.23

Single storey rear extension to create a sun room.

Highfield Farm, Beeches Hill, Bishop's Waltham, SO32 1FE. Application Permitted.

SDNP/23/03958/HOUS

Approved: 10.1.24

Conversion of garage to annexe building.

Cornhill House, The Hangers, Bishop's Waltham, SO32 1EF Application Permitted.



Planning and Highways Committee

30.1.24

Agenda Item - Bus Shelter Audit - for consideration

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council Planning and Highways Committee held at the Jubilee Hall, Bishop's Waltham on Tuesday 28th November 2023 at 7.00pm

PH148/23

Financial Position Year to Date

Current position noted.

Lengthsman to audit bus shelters and recommend any replacement panels or signage for spend using allocated budget remaining before end of March 2023. **ACTION: Lengthsman**

ACTION: Audit bus shelters for repair needs

The Parish Lengthsman has completed an audit as requested and this detail has been confirmed on the Asset Register with the Finance Manager.

Summary of repairs suggested:-

Replace perspex	2
Re-paint	6.
Cut back hedge	1
Re-tile	1
Replace guttering and down pipes	1
Clean	12

Proposal:

To note the bus shelter audit of January 2024 and approve (to authorised limit) any necessary repairs.

Bus Shelter Audit

To check each BWPC managed bus shelter and list any defects or points of repair recommended.

Location	what3words	Image	Condition	
Winchester Road/Ashton (to Bishop's Waltham) (1)	peroxide.cork.flats		Paint faded and flaking Hedge overgrown at back of shelter Faded Perspex	Re-paint Cut back hedge Replace Perspex
Winchester Road/Ashton (out of Bishop's Waltham) (2)	slice.pythons.rattled		Dirty	Clean
Winchester Road/Albany Road (3)	relaxed.blotches.terribly		Faded Perspex Faded paint Dirty	Possible re-paint Clean

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Winchester Road/Churchill Avenue (4)	Winchester Road/Newtown Newsagents (5)	Winchester Road/Claylands Road (6)	Winchester Road/Priory Court (7)	Winchester Road/Vine Gardens (Opposite Sainsburys Petrol) (8)

Clean	Clean New Perspex Re-paint	Clean	Clean Re-tile Replace guttering and down pipes	Clean
Dirty	Old and tired Dirty Damaged and faded Perspex Paint faded and flaking Rust in places (Offen used as a	Dirty	Gutters missing Tiles broken/missing Dirty	Good
resonated.coached.gilding	winemaker.twice.happy	insulated.courtyard.outboard	weeds.eagles.built	inherits.running.pavement
Lower Lane/North Pond (9)	arfield Road			Free Street Bus Stop Seat (Colville Drive) (13)

Re-paint	Re-paint
Woodwork fair Chipped paint work	Woodwork fair Chipped paint work
incorrect.work.mole	webcams.edges.ozone
Cricklemede (Godfrey Pink Way end) Bus Stop Seat (14)	Cricklemede (Hoe Road end) Bus Stop Seat (15)



Planning and Highways Committee

30.1.24

Agenda Item – Bishop's Waltham to Swanmore Pathway Project – Update – for consideration

A site meeting was held on 15.1.23 with the Hampshire Countryside Services team to progress the feasibility for the route and potential costings for the Pathway project.

Cllr Latham and the Clerk to the Committee attended and gave updates on contact with the parish landowners concerned. Confirmation of a letter drop to residential properties along the proposed route was noted.

Further actions planned:-

- Gather letters of approval of the proposed plan from landowners
- Consider the costings from HCS when circulated
- Consider funding options (likely to be WCC CIL)

Proposal:

To note the latest actions regarding the Bishop's Waltham to Swanmore Pathway Project.



Planning and Highways Committee

28,11,23

Agenda Item - Accessibility Update – for consideration

An update is provided below on the timescale for improvements to the accessible areas to the town centre.

November Email

From: Senior Project Officer, Highways Engineering and Transport HCC

Sent: Tuesday, November 21, 2023

Subject: RE: Bishops Waltham Pedestrian Improvements - Accessibility Project begun in 2019

Our timescales for delivery of the schemes have been revised slightly. Initially, we were planning to get the first element (Bank Street) out to tender before the New Year, however, to make efficiencies with tender, construction costs and programming on site, we have made the decision to hold off tendering the schemes separately and await the final design of Lower Basingwell Street to allow us to instead tender all the works together.

We are also considering some improvements on the original scope which has delayed the designs slightly, but we believe the benefits of exploring additional improvements is worth the extended design time.

We will now be looking to tender late February/Early March 2023. With all elements of the work being on site March/April time.

Once the designs are returned, we will be more than happy to share them with you, please could you let me know if you would prefer a site visit or virtual meeting to go through the proposals.

Request to meet sent by return, with no meeting set in December 2023. Chase email sent early January 2024

From: Senior Project Officer, Highways Engineering and Transport HCC

Sent: Monday, January 15, 2024

Subject: RE: Bishops Waltham Pedestrian Improvements - Accessibility Project begun in 2019

As soon as I have the plans, I will make sure to schedule a site visit with yourself. I would suggest we leave the site visit until those designs are received as things may change as a result of internal auditing, especially if they do not meet safety requirements etc.

I have requested an update on timescales from the designer and have requested we push these through for internal approvals as soon as we can.

Proposal: To note the response above.



Planning and Highways Committee

30.1.24

Agenda Item - Speedwatch - Update - for consideration

The Executive Officer spoke to the Citizens in Policing Co-ordinator at Hampshire & Isle of Wight Constabulary on 10th January 2024. The Speedwatch Co-ordinator has provided an up-to-date poster to use for publicity and forms for volunteers to complete. He will then progress the project, with our support, in due course.

Proposal:

To note the update to the project and recommend any further actions if necessary.



Planning and Highways Committee

30.1.24

Agenda Item – Correspondence – Basingwell Street Car Park Bin Store – with Full Council Resolution - for consideration

The Parish Council office received two pieces of correspondence regarding the installation of a bin store in Basingwell Street Car Park and the consequent movement of the disabled car parking bays.

Please see the following pages to note and consider.

Background papers regarding this facility are available from the Parish Council office.

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 16th January 2024 at The Jubilee Hall PC231/23 Correspondence – Basingwell Street Car Park Facilities

The correspondence received was duly considered.

Resolved:

- to request that WCC review disabled car parking spaces to ensure they meet legal standards i) ii)
- to request that WCC provide a more concealed screening to the bin store
- to review the bin store facility in due course

Proposed: Cllr Latham Seconded: Cllr Williams

6 in favour, 2 objections, 4 abstentions

ACTION: Liaise with WCC regarding the disabled car parking spaces and bin store fencing ACTION: Exec Officer

The WCC Service Lead (Engineering) responded positively on 17.1.24 to our request to review the disabled car parking spaces in Basingwell Street car park, and likewise the choice of screening. He highlighted additional costs which would need to be carefully considered for this project.

Proposal: To note and consider the correspondence, to acknowledge the resolution by Full Council 16.1.24 and recommend any further actions as a result



From: Resident Sent: Saturday, December 30, 2023 6:32 PM

Subject: Missing Disabled Parking Bays

There have been lots of irate posts on the village website about missing disabled parking bays.

Apparently it is the Parish Council that has blocked the disabled parking bays in the carpark for bins, but there are no bins in the place, and there is a real need for more not fewer disabled parking bays in Bishops Waltham. Some have already been taken for a loading bay outside the Coop.

There must be a fairly high proportion of disabled drivers in Bishops Waltham, owing just to the mean age of the population, and although it is allowed for blue badge holders to park on double yellow lines for a limited period, many disabled drivers need the extra wide access that disabled bays give them, for wheelchairs and walking aids.

If it is the decision of the Parish Council to have done this, I urge you to rethink, as you are depriving disabled drivers of the equal opportunity to park and shop in Bishops Waltham.

A pretty shameful decision.

Named held in PC Office

From: Resident

Sent: 05 January 2024 01:11

Subject: Disabled bays- Basingwell Street Car Park 'Bin Store'

Good Evening All,

I am writing to explain my reasons for 'critique' of the bin store. However, more importantly my complaint of the **removal prior to replacement**- of the minimal disabled bays below national standard.

I will for your convenience bullet point with explanation: why I hold these views & facts, prior to my attendance on the meeting of the 30th of January '24. I will speak, but with I will lay out my reasons of objection here. They are, I feel fair and logical. Whilst you read this, I wish to make clear that I am not 'against you', and all your work, and great achievements. I do however, take great exception to this project- for the reasons I give below. I really don't understand why any group would be a threat to you, and not an considered an attribute for ideas for the town-however...

1. You are viewing the removal of these disabled bays with an able bodied mind. This is extremely poor planning, in collaboration with Winchester City Council, prioritising 'unsightly bins' over disabled people. Please can I remind you, of the Equality Act 2010.

2. Extremely Poor Planning.

If you are considering removal of disabled facility in collaboration with Winchester (the Parish did request these works albeit it a member now left). Yes Winchester agreed the request. The replacement should come FIRST prior to the complete removal of the disabled bays. Replace the spaces, before you discuss, plan the collaborative works and removal. This has caused flimsy road furniture, having to be picked up by disabled people, and falling on them. Winchester may have 'decided' the request-but the Parish did request and instigate these works. WCC have confirmed. There is now sand bags following my complaint.

3. The bays already below standard, should be at a rate of 6% for the retail area and that is excluding the 'on street' parking in the high-street requested. It should be 6% at the standard on retail rate- for Basingwell Street car park alone. Winchester I have reminded of this and they are now considering the increase to policy.

Please see the department of Transport regarding standards for Disabled Parking in car parks policy:

Department of Transport Policy - 8.2 (Page 77-81 Disabled Parking) Department of Transport:
https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1044542/inclusive-mobility-a-guide-to-best-practice-on-access-to-pedestrian-and-transport-infrastructure.pdf



5. The Bin Store itself based on unsightly bins & Portugal?

We have extremely rigid health and safety policies here in the UK. They do not apply to Portugal, and for many policies. These include our health and safety policies, and employers liability insurance etc. Portugal do not have rigid policies. Ever checked out the Electrics in Portugal? I am sure you'll agree, they are slightly different to ours:



Does this look 'safe' to you ^? No me neither......

Portuguese central bins stores are also emptied daily due to heat, and at the cost of the town council, not an individual private business. They don't have a requirement for Employers Liability Insurance, nor personal injury claims. Are we in Bishops Waltham, willing paying for bin collections, for private businesses - to appease the idea of this bin store? I am not.... and this is not comparable. Have you ever been on a Holiday and thought it ideal, but not connected the dots why it is different?....Each Private Business now have to carry out a risk assessments for employees, due to carrying heavy refuse across a road and distance. Each bin collection company playing the 2024 version of Tetris with the very heavy bins. Each bin collection company the have the same risk assessment, to carry out. That is the reality. We are not Portugal, we are Bishops Waltham, England.

6. People live in the High Street having to put up with unsightly bins?

Each Household on Winchester have to live with a General Waste bin, a recycling bin and a bottle small black bin for any residence in the district. Yes people living close to the high-street, do choose - to live near retail high-street business. Don't wish to see retail bin? Don't live near retail business.

7. If it isn't broke, don't fix it!

Why after all of these years is it an issue?

We clearly have too much money, here. We are concerned by bins being pretty? Aren't we lucky, and that we can visit Portugal to make the comparison?

Kind Regards,

Name noted in PC Office

(Same email continued)

Can I also just mention also a 3/4ft see through black railings, does nothing to disguise bins that have been placed for over 34 years in the place they have? If anything even more 'unsightly' grouped together. If you are going to build a bin store, why over disabled bays? Well & why not a fenced off 6ft wooden in keeping with local looks? If it is THAT unsightly?

In 2024, I find it incredible, and actually rather digraceful that as a local council that it was prioritised over disabled people? I am not disputing that the Parish Council do great work, and I believe this idea was not something that was a new idea in the current council. Wether Winchester make the 'final decision' or not- this idea was requested and born from Bishops Waltham Parish Council- and based on an idyllic visit to Portugal removed from reality.

I wanted to write to you all, as it would see derogatory name calling and etc on Facebook, takes common place. My reasons I feel are fair and logical, and prior to your meeting- I wanted to give you fair time to consider.

Kind Regards,

Name noted in PC office



Planning and Highways Committee

30.1.24

Agenda Item – Correspondence – Proposal for Pedestrianisation of the Lower High Street
– for consideration

See proposal attached from a local resident, with emails from HCC representatives.

A response email from HCC Cabinet Lead is also included.

Proposal:

To consider the proposal tabled from a local resident and make recommendations as a result.

Background Information and Issues Arising

We are aware of concern about the safety of Bishops Waltham shoppers. We have witnessed accidents and near accidents. Often these are children or disability buggies.

We have also seen a lot of parking on double yellow lines, and on disabled parking spaces. Disabled peoples' drivers sometimes need to park in the middle of the road in order to let a disabled person out.

When sitting outside Josies, a car drove up onto the pavement to allow a car to pass going the other way.

Our MP Flick Drummond, has been contacted and she advised contacting Rob Humby at Hampshire County Council. On contacting him, he and Nick Adams-King came for a meeting in Bishops Waltham and were very supportive (see copy emails). They gave us to understand that there was a fund of money available for just such a project.

Proposal

In order to at least partially alleviate the above issue and provide much more safety to shoppers, we are proposing pedestrianising the high street from Cross Street to St Georges Square.

We do not believe there is any residential accesses onto the proposed new pedestrian area, and we believe all the shops have rear access.

It seems that there would be a loss of 13 car parking spaces, but there are over 250 car parking spaces in the Central Car Park, Lower Lane car park and at the Jubilee Hall, with possibly more anticipated. On a recent Friday at 11.15am when the Jubilee Hall had their market, there were 21 spare parking spaces at the hall.

More disabled parking spaces might be needed.

Recommendation

That Hampshire County Council be asked to agree to pedestrianising the Bishops Waltham High Street from Cross Street to St Georges Square.

Paper written 13th November 2023

Subject:Re: BW high street Date: Tue, 31 Oct 2023 13:24:29 +0000 From: Add to the second To:Adams-King, Cllr N < Nick. Adams-King@hants.gov.uk> CC:Humby, Clir R < Rob. Humby@hants.gov.uk>

Dear Nick

Thanks for coming back with your comments regarding the pedestrian area.

Firstly having done some preliminary work I can say categorically that there are no residential

accesses onto the proposed zone we are considering as a safe pedestrian area.

The zone from the south would be closed from the old Lloyds bank across the road to the old Barclay bank, if either of these buildings were let access is achieved from the rear. At the north of the high street it would be closed on the up side of the ally north of Costa and line up with the pavement on the other side of the road next to D&G hardware store. This will enable safe predestination access to both the car parks and all the residential developments. On the east side of the area is the post office and a few shops that all have rear asses.

The flats above the post office are entered though the ally between the shops from the rear. Costa and Rowens both asses from the rear.

On the west side, Jossies and the wine bar asses from the rear.

The offices entry is from the front, as dose the travel agent.

At the end of this elevation is the butcher and hard ware store.

Both of these get produce from the front in a very busy and dangerous situation.

These both park delivery vans over the road outside Costa causing the driver to be in a very exposed and dangerous place, as he has to park on the opposite side of the busy junction and cross the road blind with product.

Whereas with the proposal we are suggesting they could unload on the same side of the street as the shops just around the corner in a safe zone without have to cross a road, in front of the estate agent; petty well the same distance but in a completely safe zone. Therefore having done my research there is no requirement for vehicles to asses the zone except in emergency. I am only proposing we pedestrianise only a third of the high street and with no disruption to business or residents.

It will still leave the north of the high for through traffic and delivery lorries to the Co-op.

The existing traffic management stay exactly the same.

The cost implications are keep at an absolute minimum.

If you are in any doubt please do not hesitate in arranging a further meeting and walk through to clarify any points.

Kind regards

Sent from my iPad



07768 480926

On 30 Oct 2023, at 16:03, "Adams-King, Cllr N" < Nick.Adams-King@hants.gov.uk> wrote:



It was good to meet you on Friday.

Rob and I had a very good look around the High Street and the streets on either side of it on Friday morning after we left you.

There are a few properties that face onto the high street but do not have rear entrances, including the butcher. There are also a couple of houses there. But given that they do not currently have parking I would assume making the street pedestrian would not be a huge problem.

The solution might be to allow some vehicle access for deliver outside of opening hours or just for those for whom there is no alternative. We didn't think it was an insurmountable problem, but equally wasn't quite a straight forward as we had hoped.

Best wishes

Nick

Nick Adams-King

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Sent: Monday, October 30, 2023 11:24

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Cc: Adams-King, Cllr N < Nick, Adams-King@hants.gov.uk>

Subject: BW high street

Dear Rob / Nick

Thanks for your time and advice last Friday morning.

As an update both are meeting Emma as recommend to progress the matter as discussed.

Just out of interest, what were your and Nicks thoughts on the outline proposal after your walk around the village...!!!!!

I will update you as agreed and any other thoughts please don't hesitate in making contact.

Kind regards.

Sent from my iPad

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From: Adams-King, Cllr N Sent: Tuesday, January 9, 2024 To: BWPC

Subject: RE: Pedestrianisation of BW High Street

s spin on the conversation is a somewhat positive one I would say.

We explained that in principle it could be something that was considered, however his route to propose it would be to approach the Parish Council and request their support as a first step, given that your members are the democratically elected representatives of the community. We emphasised that any proposal of that type would need to gather wider public support through any consultation.

Further we raised the issue of access. He assured us that there were no businesses or homes in the part of the road he would propose was closed without a rear access. As I think you know, Rob and I then went to look at the parking issues which was the main reason for our meeting, Looking at the various properties it is apparent that there are a number who only have access directly onto the High St, so that would need to be a consideration in any proposal.

Displacement of parking would also be an issue, as would the increased volume of traffic using the side streets.

By far **the most important consideration would be the cost**, and Rob and I were very clear indeed that there is no funding for this kind of scheme and the only hope would be to utilise developer contributions to enable it. Given that I think the S106 contributions from the more recent developments around Bishops Waltham are already identified for schemes our likely ability to deliver it would be some way off I think.

I hope that helps.

Nick Adams-King

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Planning and Highways Committee

28.11.23

Correspondence – Road Safety on Winchester Road into Bishop's Meadow Estate

From: Resident Sent: 22 January 2024 To: BWPC

Subject: Road safety issue crossing Winchester Road from Bishops Meadow new housing estate

We are residents of Albany Road, Bishops Waltham. We have lived here for three and a half years and have watched the development at Bishops Meadow with interest. The development has over one hundred houses, contains a mixture of age groups and is probably contributing some £300,000 annually in council tax. All vehicular and pedestrian access and egress is on to the busy Winchester Road.

We think there is a glaring safety issue particularly affecting parents with children and indeed the elderly such as ourselves because, when leaving Bishops Meadow, the pavement is on the opposite side of the road. This means that there is a often hair-raising excursion to safely get to the other side to use the pavement, bearing in mind that the traffic is travelling at up to 40mph.

We have sought the views of several local residents who have lived all their lives in this district. These individuals say that, "only a fatality will make the council do anything to improve the situation". We think it awful that such cynicism is evinced and am sure that you as the council would not want the stain of an avoidable fatality before acting; surely the £300,000 plus of extra income merits as a minimum a level crossing and preferably a 'pelican crossing'.

From: Cllr Jelf Sent: Tuesday, January 23 To: Resident

Subject: Re: Road safety issue crossing Winchester Road from Bishops Meadow new housing estate

Good morning

I have spoken with the chairman and clerk of the Planning & Highways committee and can confirm that we have previously liaised with Hampshire County Council about this dangerous stretch of road. All at BWPC are in agreement that some sort of traffic calming, crossing or other intervention is required.

During the initial planning process we raised this as an issue, but unfortunately this wasn't followed up on, and since the development has been built we have again contacted HCC.

Unfortunately, as you alluded to in your email, HCC utilise a system called 'crash map' which summarises the locality of accidents. I have had a look at this location this morning and can confirm that only one 'slight' accident has happened on this road since 1999, although we as locals are aware that 99% of this data is before the development was built.

If you have seen the proposed budget cuts to HCC, then I believe it is very unlikely that we will see any improvements made to this section of road from HCC.

One slight glimmer of hope that I will make you aware of is that the devolution of HCC powers is being discussed at a high level. If this does come to fruition (it hasn't been agreed yet), then one possibility is for BWPC to look to undertake some sort of traffic calming on this road, this would be subject to all relevant surveys, costing and public consultations so is a possibility but wouldn't be a quick process.

Thank you for your email, and please be assured that BWPC share your concerns and we will do our best to push HCC for some change,

Proposal:

To note the correspondence herein and recommend any further actions if necessary.