

WHITCHURCH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Planning Meeting of Whitchurch Parish Council held in The Church Hall,
Whitchurch on Monday 12th April 2010 at 7.30pm

Attendees: Cllr Ashley Bond (acting Chairman), Cllr Meijer, Cllr Foot, Cllr Betts, Cllr Abigail Bond, Sue Mordue – Clerk County Cllr Glover, 1 members of the public attended.

47. Receive Apologies: Cllr Pain.

48. Open Forum for Parishioners: adjournment.

49. Declaration of interest in items on the agenda: Cllr Bond declared his interest in planning applications due to his role as District Cllr sitting on the AVDC Development Control Committee as he will review his decision at Committee based on the additional information available at the time.

50. The Council resolved that the minutes of the last meetings held on 8th March 2010 were a true record.

51. Planning: To discuss planning applications and make recommendations:

- a. **10/00456/ALB** – Kempson House – erection of porch to groom's cottage – the Council resolved it had no objections to this application.
- b. **10/00295/APP** – Paddock House – conversion of existing double garage to create living accommodation and erection of new detached garage and home office accommodation– the Council resolved it had no objections to this application and commented “as long as it had no impact on the footpath that is currently under dispute”.
- c. **10/00443/ATP** – 10 Green Acres Close – reduce height of one Poplar tree by 25-30% to old pollard points and raise crowns of two Lime trees to 4.5m on road side of trees– the Council resolved it had no objections to this application.
- d. **Quarry Barn** – update from AVDC was that they are aware of the separate annex in that it is not allowed to be used as a separate dwelling under the site restriction. If the owners sell it as such then they would be breaching the planning condition and action would be taken.

52. Finance:

- a. The Council resolved to agree the accounts as reviewed for the year to date end February 2010.
- b. The Council resolved to issue the following cheques:

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| AVDC | 122 | £414.87 |
| Lynch Garden Services | 123 | £90.00 |
| BALC Cllr Betts training | 124 | £15.00 |
| Clerks Pay & Expenses | 125 | £341.97 |
| BALC sub | 126 | £118.50 |
| PRA Randles (notice board) | 127 | £276.00 |
| E-On | DD | £196.68 |

53. Highways:

- a. To report and update on issues and repairs.
- b. Bus Shelter roof Oving Road- the Clerk advised that Roy Randles had taken a look and had fixed the roof rather than replacing it. It is hoped this will be successful and therefore more major work is not required at present.
- c. Bus Shelter Swan Close – update from the Clerk – the clear glass should be fitted to the shelter by the end of the month.

54. Footpaths & Footways:

- a. To report and update on issues and repairs: Kissing gate requested on Weir Lane will be put in following agreement with the land owner to do this.
- b. Residents have voiced their unhappiness that the footpath across the back of the gardens of Paddock House and Spencer House is still not open and that people who used to walk it regularly have not been allowed to do so for over a year. It is still in the hands of BCC and an update is required to move this forwards. Cllr Glover agreed she would take this matter up.

55. Street Lighting: To report and update on lighting issues and repairs: BCC light outside Manor Farm still intermittent.

56. Recreation Ground:

- a. To update on Community Woodland and Pond Area – no updates this month.

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- b. To report inspection of Play Area Equipment - no issues to address and Cllr Foot had mended the gate catch.
 - c. To agree on method of clearance of weeds around the kerb of the car park – Clerk to request probationers to clear this in addition to the footpath behind the Church Hall which needs clearing and tidying up.
 - d. Clerk requested to get a quotation for a stone / shingle more permanent path which is raised up to replace the temporary wood chip path from the car park to the Play Area.
- 57. To discuss any correspondence and other communications** received since last meeting not covered by the agenda including:
- a. Best Kept Village – to agree who will co-ordinate the plan for tidying the village and inviting all businesses to do their bit – the Council resolved there would be a village tidy up on Saturday 24th April commencing at 11.00am at the Legion Hall. Clerk to ask Cllr Pain to email around his list of villagers.
 - b. The gap in the wall at the Firs had been tidied up by Mr Chopping.
 - c. Draft Community Cohesion Strategy – the Council resolved that a response should be sent advising that the document is not clear and plain English should be used to make it understandable.
- 58. Police:** Complete Police Community Feedback Form – no issues to report. Cllr Betts advised that he had been in contact with Ken Watson regarding the Speed watch device. The equipment had been faulty and was now operational. Training would need to be given and then it could be used.
- 59. Councillors Updates on Meetings Attended** – Cllrs to advise whether any decisions are required by the Council which need to be added to the next agenda – no meetings attended.
- 60. The date of next meeting** was agreed as Monday 10th May 2010 commencing at 7.30pm with the Annual Parish Meeting followed by the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council.

The meeting closed at 8.15pm. Signed.....Date.....