

# WHITCHURCH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Planning Meeting of Whitchurch Parish Council held in The Church Hall,  
Whitchurch on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2010 at 7.30pm

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

**31. Receive Apologies:** County Cllr Glover.

**32. Open Forum for Parishioners:** adjournment.

**33. 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. Specifically he declared an interest in 35a as he attends this committee. Cllr Pain declared a personal interest in 35b as it was a near neighbour however the Council did not consider this prejudicial.

**34. The minutes of the last meetings** held on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2010 were confirmed as a true record.

**35. Planning: To discuss planning applications and make recommendations:**

- a. To agree who should represent the Council at the AVDC Development Control Committee regarding its support of the Rural Exception Scheme at land to the rear of the Roses – the Council resolved that Cllr Pain would represent the Parish Council at this meeting.
- b. 10/00249/ATC – 6 Rickyard Close – fell one Eucalyptus and crown reduce one cherry tree but 25-30% - the Council resolved it had no objections to this application.
- c. 10/00135/AOP – Quarrendon Fields Land North of Bicester Road – mixed use development including up to 1380 dwellings, a two form entry primary school, a neighbourhood centre including a place of worship, a visitors centre, allotments, community orchard, formal and informal public open space and associated landscaping. This application is in a nearby Parish however is open for Public Consultation and Whitchurch will be impacted. The Council resolved to oppose this application on the basis of there is insufficient infrastructure for any further development on the north side of Aylesbury. Insufficient schools as the new one would not be built until a long way down the line and the view across the vale would be damaged and obscured by a huge wind turbine.
- d. Clerk to send another chaser letter to Jim Cannell regarding a response on Quarry Barn. Cllr Bond had also chased but still no update has been given.

**36. Finance:**

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

PRA Randles	119	£20.00
Whitchurch PCC	120	£120.00
Clerks Pay & Expenses	121	£338.10
- c. The Council resolved to reappoint Jonathan Gibbs as the internal auditor for the year 2010-11.

**37. Highways:**

- a. To report and update on issues and repairs: Pot holes at Crabsgrove Farm, Oving Road outside Whistlers View (5), and Whitchurch House (6) and 54 Oving Road. Church Headland Lane, Post Office Lane and the junction of North Marston Lane.
- b. To agree a response to the BCC Speed Limit Review Recommendations – the Council resolved to request an extension to the 30mph limit on the north side to the bend to the village nameplate so that cars would be at 30mph when around the junction with Mount Pleasant and Manor Farm. In addition the limit on the A413 from Aylesbury to Whitchurch should be at 50mph all the way to avoid confusion of limits and the fact that people would not stay at 40mph.

**38. Footpaths & Footways:**

- a. To report and update on issues and repairs:
  - i. Footpaths: Stile behind Weir Lane where Footpath 15 joins 21 still cannot get a dog through. Footpath 43 and 50 have still not been reinstated. Cllr Bond would look into this matter.
  - ii. Footway condition is dangerous going up White Horse Lane and it is in an area of bad lighting. Corner of the Firs at the entrance to: Little London there is a hole in the footway.
- b. Bus Shelters:
  - i. The Council resolved to proceed with replacing the glass on the Swan Close Bus Shelter to replace with clear glass so people could see the buses approaching.
  - ii. The plastic decoration for the new Oving Road shelter are on order.

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iii. Clerk to obtain a quotation to fix the brick bus shelter roof.

**39. Street Lighting:** To report and update on lighting issues and repairs: High Street light opposite Keinches Lane, Light at junction of Firs Close and Little London north side, and outside 11 Firs Close opposite number 1 sometimes does not work. BCC lights outside Manor Farm still not been mended. Clerk to report.

**40. Councillors Updates on Meetings Attended** – Cllrs to discuss and update on any meetings they have attended on behalf of the Parish Council and to advise whether any decisions are required by the Council which need to be added to the next agenda:

- a. Cllr Abigail Bond had attended the NAG. Cllr Betts would progress the Community Speedwatch use. Will request more police presence in Whitchurch.
- b. LAF Workshop was attended by Cllr Pain and priorities were decided across the group.
- c. Cllr Pain had met the developer at the Firs and he had agreed to clear the gap and move everything back within the boundary. He will not rebuild the wall as potential development will proceed.

**41. Recreation Ground:**

- a. To update on Community Woodland and Pond Area – meeting held with Paul Holton AVDC advising on what can be done planting wise in the summer.
- b. To report inspection of Play Area Equipment – no issues. Someone had deposited dog fouling in the litter bin in the play area rather than using the proper bin – issue for children playing in this area.
- c. County Cllr Netta Glover had awarded a £200 contribution towards a community notice board at the entrance to the field. Clerk to progress with the making and installation of the board by Roy Randles to the LHS of the gate.

**42. To discuss any correspondence and other communications** received since last meeting not covered by the agenda including:

- a. The Council resolved to enter the Best Kept Village Competition
- b. Millennium Sign – it was agreed that this needed oiling. Cllr Bond would ask Trevor Adams or Cllr Betts will do it.

**43. Communications:** Web Site – nothing to advise.

**44. Police:** Complete Police Community Feedback Form:

- a. Green Jaguar keeps parking on the footway just to the side of Post Office Lane and thus obscuring the visibility for drivers going in and out and also obstructing the footway for pedestrians and prams.
- b. Trailer keeps being parked on Oving Road without being attached to a vehicle thus is it taxed and is it allowed to be parked on a public highway.
- c. Accident in Weir Lane / Oving Road caused by car parking problems and speeds.
- d. Ashgrove Gardens youths are driving fast down the road and doing doughnuts in the car park. Details have been taken and reported to the police.
- e. Dog fouling on the footway behind the Church Hall.

**45. The date of next meeting** was agreed as Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2010 at 7.30pm.

**Closed Session:**

**46. Recreation Field Tender 2010/11**– the Council resolved to award the various elements of the tender all to Lynch Garden Services.

The meeting closed at 9.50pm. Signed.....Date.....