

MINUTES OF THE WARGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON MONDAY 17 JULY 2017 AT THE OLD PAVILION 7.45 PM

Meeting Ref: 17PC05

PRESENT Councillors Bush (Chairman), Luckwell, Cattermole, Mrs Pope, Davies, Etwell and Mrs Cordell

In attendance Mr Hedges (Clerk & Proper Officer)
Ms Quinn (Deputy Clerk/RFO)

1. APOLOGIES

Councillors Cardy and Halsall

2. REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE ACT

No items.

3. CHAIRMAN'S ADDENDUM

Item 12 – Staffing

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- 4.1** Item 9.1.1.2 – Cllr Mrs Pope declared a personal interest.
Item 9.1.1.3 – Cllr Luckwell declared a personal and pecuniary interest.
Item 9.1.1.4 - Cllr Luckwell declared a personal and pecuniary interest. The Chairman declared a personal interest, as a neighbour of the applicant.

5. MINUTES

RESOLVED: THAT THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD 03 JULY 2017 BE APPROVED AS PRESENTED.

6 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- 6.1** Item 9.1.4.1 – Cllr Luckwell reported that the block paving had been reinstated at Star Cottage.
Item 9.2.1 – The Clerk reported that the delivery of the shed would take place late August/early September.

7. OPEN SESSION

There were 9 members of the public present for the open session, and a representative from the Henley Standard.

Virgin Media

Two representatives from Virgin Media were present for the open session to address resident concerns during the upgrade taking place in Wargrave. The upgrade and the remediation was explained and the programme was likely to be complete by mid-September. The High Street, Church Street and Ferry Lane would not be upgraded at the present time.

WAS

WAS thanked the Clerk for completing the meadow cut on the allotments. The Clerk confirmed that there would be 3 cuts a year, the timing would be decided as part of the inspection regime. WAS could no longer continue with the mowing and it was agreed to look at adding this to the maintenance schedule.

Kings Field Orchard

The Clerk confirmed that quotes for the water connection were being obtained.

Train Service Wargrave

Mr Meadowcroft reported that the straight-through service from Wargrave to Paddington had been removed from the timetable.

8. **BOROUGH COUNCILLOR REPORT**

Cllr Halsall sent his apologies. There was no Borough Councillor's report.

9. **DEPARTMENTS/COMMITTEES**

9.1 **Planning and Highways**

9.1.1 **Planning Applications**

9.1.1.1 171653 – Marron Remise, Kentons Lane, Wargrave RG10 8NU

Full planning application for the proposed erection of a single dwelling following demolition of existing dwelling.

RESOLVED: TO INFORM THE PLANNING OFFICER THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL THE PARISH COUNCIL OBJECTED TO THIS PROPOSAL ON THE FOLLOWING GROUNDS:

• THE INCREASED BULK AND MASS OF THE PROPOSAL OVER THE EXISTING BUILDING MIGHT IMPACT UPON THE OPENNESS OF THE GREEN BELT. • NO SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES WERE DEMONSTRATED TO MITIGATE THIS HARM, CONSIDERING THE RAISED ELEVATION.

NOTE: THE APPLICATION DOES NOT INDICATE THE LEVEL OF TREE SCREENING THAT WOULD REMAIN AND THEREFORE MAY IMPACT UPON THE RESIDENTIAL AMENITIES OF THE NEIGHBOURING PROPERTIES BY VIRTUE OF AN OVERBEARING IMPACT.

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9.1.1.2 171585 – Units 4-7 The Stables, Little Acres, Milley Lane, Hare Hatch RG10 9 TH

Full planning application for the demolition or removal of three existing containers or structures in the north west corner an replacement with a five car garage.

RESOLVED: TO INFORM THE PLANNING OFFICER THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL HAD NO OBJECTION TO THE PROPOSAL. HOWEVER, IF THE APPLICATION WAS APPROVED, THE PARISH COUNCIL REQUESTED THAT THE FOLLOWING CONDITION BE APPLIED: SUFFICIENT NATURAL HEDGE SCREENING TO THE REAR OF THE PROPOSAL.

Office

9.1.1.3 171825 – Scarletts Lodge, Scarletts Lane, Hare Hatch, RG10 9XD

Householder

Cllr Luckwell left the room for the discussion of this item.

RESOLVED: TO INFORM THE PLANNING OFFICER THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL HAD NO OBJECTION TO THE APPLICATION.

Office

9.1.1.4 171611 – Fairmans, Crazies Hill, Wargrave RG10 8LT

Householder application for proposed erection of free standing aluminium greenhouse.

Cllr Luckwell left the room for the discussion of this item.

RESOLVED: TO INFORM THE PLANNING OFFICER THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL HAD NO OBJECTION TO THE APPLICATION.

Office

9.1.1.5 171611 – Coachmans Cottage, Hennerton Wargrave RG10 8PD

Householder application for proposed erection of single storey rear extension to dwelling.

RESOLVED: TO INFORM THE PLANNING OFFICER THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL HAD NO OBJECTION TO THE APPLICATION.

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9.1.1.6 171661 – Wyevale Hare Hatch, Garden Centre, Bath Road, Hare Hatch RG10 9SW.

Application for a certificate of existing lawful development for the operation of hand car wash and siting of associated office/storage building.

RESOLVED: TO INFORM THE PLANNING OFFICER THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL OBJECTED TO THE APPLICATION FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS:

- LOCAL PRECEDENCE
- INAPPROPRIATE DEVELOPMENT IN THE GREEN BELT
- NOT ANCILLARY USE

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9.1.2 Local Planning Authority – Planning Application Decisions Report

No items.

9.1.3 Tree Preservation Orders Report

No items.

9.1.4 Highways

9.1.4.1 Scarletts Lane (Cllr Mrs Cordell)

Cllr Mrs Cordell raised concerns about the traffic speed in Scarletts Lane, and that the road was being used by all types of traffic as an alternative route to Twyford.

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9.1.4.2 A4 at Kiln Green – Cllr Mrs Cordell

Cllr Mrs Cordell informed Members that a petition had been started concerning the speed limit through Kiln Green. It was suggested that 50 mph was too high for a road with houses and businesses with significant vehicle movements. It was agreed that the Parish Council would request that the Borough Council should regularise the speed limit on the A4.

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9.1.4.3 Crazies Hill – road closure July to September 2017 – Cllr Bush

The Chairman Informed Members of the above road closure.

9.2 Recreation & Open Spaces

9.2.1 Quotation for maintenance and repair of Recreation Ground equipment

Members agreed to the quote of £306 from Playground facilities for retightening the cableway on the zip wire. The quote for the replenishment of play bark will be looked at and compared with other surface treatments.

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9.2.2 Footpaths – Cllr Mrs Pope

Cllr Mrs Pope would forward a list of the areas of vegetation overgrowth within the Parish to the Office to pursue with the Borough Council.

9.2.3 Mumbery Hill – Cllr Mrs Pope

Cllr Mrs Pope asked the Office to follow up with the Borough Council about the edging along Mumbery Hill Road.

Cllr Mrs
Pope

9.2.4 Allotments – including the meadow cut - Cllr Mrs Pope

Members thanked the Clerk for doing the meadow cut at the allotments.

9.2.5 Recreation Ground Copse – fencing – Cllr Mrs Pope

It was agreed to carry out a risk assessment of the area.

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9.2.6 Kings Field Water Supply – Cllr Mrs Pope

Members were informed that a quote was being obtained from a specialist water mains company.

9.3 Environment

No items.

9.4 Policy and General Purposes

No items.

9.5 Buildings

No items.

10 FINANCE

10.1 To agree the Expenditure List and Monthly accounts

The expenditure list and monthly accounts were explained and approved.

Office

RESOLVED: THAT THE MONTHLY ACCOUNTS BE APPROVED AS PRESENTED.

10.2 Renewal of SSE Street Lighting Maintenance Contract

The Clerk presented the 12 month contract from SSE for the maintenance and repair of column in the Parish.

RESOLVED: TO ACCEPT THE 12 MONTH CONTRACT FROM SSE FOR THE MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF STREETLIGHTS WITHIN THE PARISH.

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11. CORRESPONDENCE & INFORMATION

11.1 Mobile Information Service (MICe) withdrawn

Duly noted.

12. S.1(2), PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960

To consider passing the following resolution:

“that in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the public be temporarily excluded and that they are instructed to withdraw”

Staffing

Details of the cleaner vacancy were discussed and the advertising agreed.

The meeting concluded at 10:30 pm