



Enborne Parish Council

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MINUTES

ENBORNE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING IN FALKLANDS CRICKET CLUB, ENBORNE STREET, NEWBURY RG14 6TW, IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM. MONDAY 20 SEPTEMBER 2021 AT 8PM.

Present:

Cllr. Chris Garrett

Cllr. John Leeson (Vice-Chair)

Cllr. Natasha Kendall

Cllr. Sam Dibas

Clerk: Mrs K Lloyd

District Cllr. James Cole

In attendance: 1 member of the public.

The Clerk announced that the meeting is being recorded for minute purposes. The recording will be deleted once the minutes are approved.

1. **APOLOGIES**

No apologies received.

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON AGENDA ITEMS**

Cllrs. Garrett and Kendall both declared a personal interest regarding agenda item 7 as they live in close distance to the proposed development. All Parish Councillors asked to note that they are the trustees of the Poor's Allotment Charity and would have a personal interest if any matters were discussed regarding the Charity.

3. **MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

Councillors **RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY** to confirm and adopt both Minutes of the Parish Council meetings held on 21st June 2021 and the Extra Ordinary Meeting held on the 26th July 2021.

4. **PUBLIC QUESTIONS- UN-MINUTED**

None.

5. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS – APPENDIX 1**

No planning applications to consider at time of publishing agenda.

6. **VANNERS FARM**

Cllr. Garrett received an email from the owner of Vanners Farm to ask the Parish Council for pre-planning comments. Councillors discussed the proposed details shown in the email and could not see that there were any issues in principle, but all Councillors agreed that the Parish Council could not provide comment to the

owner at this stage. An official planning application must be received through the normal protocol and then advertised on an agenda for public consideration.

7. COMMON FARM - WATERMILL BRIDGE

Developers, Bewley Homes, are proposing a major, high density housing estate of up to 350 houses on the farmland between the River Enborne, the A343 Andover Road and the Newbury bypass. This approximately 40 acres of green fields, situated on the floodplain of the River Enborne, is part of the narrow strip of green space separating the conurbation of Newbury from the villages of Highclere and Woolton Hill in Hampshire.

CLLrs. Garrett and Leeson have attended the advertised public meetings that Bewley Homes have hosted. All Councillors agreed that Enborne Parish Council unanimously oppose to this proposed development. Cllr Garrett said he was told that it would be around late September to early November when a planning application is received, it will then be considered in a Parish Council meeting.

There is also a local group formed 'Keep Washwater Rural' - please see the link for further updates. www.keepwashwaterural.co.uk

8. FINANCE

Members **RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY** to confirm the payments as shown in Appendix 1. The Cashflow was noted.

Statement of Accounts			
Accounts for Payment 20 September 2021			
Expenditure brought forward 21-22			£5,382.93
Payments			
Cheque No	Payee	Description	Amount
BACS	Kim Lloyd *	July Salary	
BACS	Kim Lloyd *	August Salary	
BACS	David Weller *	Internal Auditor	£ 50.00
SO	Newbury Storage *	Storage - June	£ 74.32
SO	Unity Trust Bank *	Bank Charges	£ 18.00
SO	Newbury Storage *	Storage - July	£ 74.32
BACS	Stephens Scown LLP *	Poors Invoice	£ 448.80
BACS	Kim Lloyd	September Salary	
BACS	Newbury Storage *	Storage - August	£ 74.32
* =PAID			
			£ 2,015.48
Receipts			
Total Receipts			£ -
Financial Position			
Balance carried forward 31/03/21			£ 88,451.34
Income for year 21-22 to date.			£ 12,975.78
Less payments for year 21-22 to date			£7,398.41
Total including Reserves			£ 94,028.71

The Clerk reminded Council that she donates agreed donations in December following the first and second precept payments. Cllr. Garrett reported that the Flower Show Event had been cancelled again this year and that no £350 donation was required.

Cllr. Leeson proposed that the grants be paid to Newbury Food Bank and to Fairclose Centre now rather than in December, Cllr. Garrett asked for the libraries donations to be paid now.

It was agreed the Clerk will pay all donations agreed on the 4th of January 2021, see minute 11, being the following.

Wash Common Library £250
Newbury Library £250
Citizens Advice Bureau £200
Newbury Food Bank £225
Fairclose Centre £225

Cllr. Garrett proposed requesting an intermediate external audit in 2022. The Clerk said this will need to be requested next March once the audit process begins for this account year. The current cost is £200 plus VAT.

ACTION: Clerk

9. GATE TO ENBORNE SCHOOL PLAYING FIELD

The Clerk reported that the Head of Enborne School had said following the submission of SPAR 1 form by the school requested from West Berkshire Council, it has been deemed that planning permission is likely before any move. This means another eight-week process. This process would involve highways making their own on-site assessment. Health and Safety and the Education planning came out and viewed last week. The citing for planning permission came in late in the middle of the summer break when work had already actually commenced to move it. The hedgerow had been cut back already. The fence was already being dug up, unfortunately the contractor had to be asked to stop once the school had received the extra notification from WBC.

Cllr. James Cole in the meeting said he would investigate this; the Clerk will forward the email to Cllr. Cole.

ACTION: Cllr. Cole.

10. COUNCILLORS / CLERK / ANY FURTHER REPORTS/QUESTIONS

02/09 Email -West Berkshire Libraries / annual report 2020-21 was noted.

17/08 Local Climate Action Plan: The Greening Campaign 5th October Zoom meet at 7pm was noted.

04/08 Blossom into Spring project – An offer of free trees.

Cllr. Dibas reported following receiving the 'Blossom into Spring' Email, he asked the Councillors for their agreement to speak with the Church Warden regarding the offer of free trees. The Church Warden said the Churchyard would very much benefit from a memorial replacement tree next to the bench in the churchyard. The tree in mind to replace the old one is a Japanese blossom.

The Clerk received a wildflower pack of seeds with a wildflower glossary guide from WBC in association with BBOWT (Berks. Bucks, Oxon Wildlife Trust). WBC are working on a wildflower verge incentive. Cllr. Cole reported that the person who is managing this alongside WBC could attend a Parish Council meeting to provide a talk on the process. The Clerk said she had already spoken to him regarding another parish and Cllr. Cole said he would email the person to get in touch with EPC.

03/08 Western VAS on Washwater. The Councillors would confirm if the Vehicle Activated Sign is now repaired after being reported to WBC

ACTION. Cllrs.

SID booking Portal are now open for bookings which needs booking through the Clerk. The Clerk reminded Councillors they need to be trained.

11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next Parish Council meeting is on Monday 15th November 2021.

APPENDIX 1

Planning Applications, Appeals and Enforcement Notices for consideration at the Parish Council September 2021

Planning applications can be viewed by members of the public on the West Berkshire Council's website

[West Berkshire Planning Applications On Line Simple Search Link](#)

West Berkshire Council Planning Application Decisions and Planning Inspectorate Appeal Decisions

Reference	Type	Location	Description	Decision
20/02890	FUL	Longcopse Farm, Vanners Lane, Enborne, Newbury	Amendments plans made as follows: Amended site plan with a wider buffer to woodland Amended site plan annotated to state that the field shelter will remain in its permitted use. Description of the application amended to state: "Retrospective laying of hard based material in association with the temporary change of use of land for the stationing of caravans and for the temporary stationing of trucks."	REFUSED