



Minutes of Kingsclere Parish Council General Purposes Meeting GP 02/19 Held at 7.30pm on Monday 11th February 2019 in the Village Club

GP 02/19 – Present:

Cllrs: Adams; Bowes; Farey; Mussett; Price; Sawyer J. Clerk – Porton.

02/19.1 – Apologies:

Cllr N Peach. Admin Assistant – Read.

02/19.2 – Declarations of Interest:

02/19.4 Tennis Club Lease – AP.

02/19.3 – Matters Arising:

None.

02/19.4 – Tennis Club Lease:

The Chairman of the Tennis Club (TC) was invited to the meeting to discuss the requirements for their lease or any new lease in order to support grant funding application. The TC also asked to meet to discuss the proposals in the NP affecting the Tennis Club. The TC has applied to BDBC for a LIF grant for the resurfacing of the courts; new fencing and disabled access via the footpath with the necessary hard standing. The current lease is for a further 4½ years – 5 years would be needed to satisfy LIF requirements. The TC do not want the expense of a lease until/unless LIF grant is confirmed. Former members of the TC have move clubs and are playing elsewhere where there are better facilities. Neighbourhood Plan – there is not an outline plan at the moment but as part of developing the Holding Field for recreational purposes one option is to relocate the tennis courts nearer the Bowls Club. This could possibly enable not only shared facilities but also allow for a 'bubble' over the courts for all weather. It could also involve the school. Discussions have taken place between a Councillor and the Bowls Club committee but no formal talks have taken place yet. LIF grants once awarded are available for 3 years but the TC would want to do work this summer. The planned resurfacing of the courts will be done with Macadam which has a lifespan of 12 plus years. So as not to waste the investment of grant and tennis club funds this could possible restrict any immediate development such as the all -weather bubble mentioned previously. Other configurations for the development of the Holding Field would have to be considered. CM highlighted that 7 possible streams of funding have been identified. Tennis Club to check with Greenham Common Trust if BDBC LIF can be match funded with their grant offer (the KCA have managed this for any future awards of grant funding). PC to wait for TC to confirm the LIF. CM to meet with NB for NP Project 3.

Action: CM.

02/19.17.2 – 19/00235/HSE & 19/00236/LBC – Priors Mill, North Street:

It was resolved to bring this item forward to enable the residents and architect present to address the council. Although the term 'industrial' has been used to describe the extension the materials planned are brick and clay tiles – materials will be by planning conditions. The BDBC Conservation Officer has visited site. Historically there were other buildings/barns behind the house (north) which was the miller's cottage. The glazed link will show a distinct separation of new and old. A two/three (three with dormer roof lights) storey extension has been previously approved. Elements of the plan the council are happy with but there are concerns over the size of the glazed link and the overall size of the development. The conservation area is not industrial so there is concern over the industrial description of the extension. It was highlighted that subservient does not necessarily affect the size and scale. The extension is designed to be subservient to the old property. The council would not like to see something "bland/pastiche" but does need to make sure that the property is in keeping – brick with clay tiles will help with this however, the scale of the extension is a concern. It is a generous plot and the resident is trying to provide a generous house for the family, that matches the plot. Can the glass corridor be seen from North Street? – No. It was highlighted though that whether it can be seen should not affect whether it is appropriate for the listing. There is a concern about loss of green cover in the village, particularly with regards to trees. The PC are in the process of identifying land for trees (part of NP). The property has not had any money invested in it for 50 years and requires a lot of work including improving the layout to make it a workable home. The garden was overgrown with brambles which the owner has been clearing sympathetically and replanting – 40 acers, 20 cherries and some conifers. The garden is looking messy at present but it will mature and the aim is to achieve an open and cared for place. Three big trees were needed to be removed (with tree applications). The PC reported that the Conservation Officer had mentioned the glass connection was very large.

02/19.5 – HCC Response to issues on Swan Street and Winchester Road, Ref 7049714:

The email response from HCC was circulated prior to the meeting. Three further incidents have occurred in Swan Street since the letter. The PC has installed a SID which has improved matters. It was noted that the

response from HCC is only partial and late with a traffic layout assessment still to be undertaken. The reply includes a comment about reluctance to install bollards – perhaps a deeper curb or a wall would be appropriate at the traffic calming. The traffic too fast at the pinch point. Perhaps widen the pavement to enable stronger bollards (existing pavement too narrow) – the road is not currently wide enough for two vehicles to pass so make it only wide enough for one up to the point where it is capable of accommodating two vehicles. A holistic look at the whole of Swan Street is needed rather than patching the individual problems. It was suggested we take our concerns to our MP. Data to be collected from SID. JS will write a response to HCC (to be sent by clerk).

Action: AP, JS, Clerk.

02/19.6 – Village Spring Clean:

30th March allocated – stall in centre of village for plastic gloves, bags; litter pickers etc. CM to check if stall (gazebo and table) can be placed in the churchyard. National Scheme led by Keep Britain Tidy, Clerk to register, posters available to download. Organisations to be contacted as well as a general appeal to village. Admin Assistant to look at adding to Facebook page. Collected litter sacks can be put in the Eurobins – Recycling needs further investigation. Clerk to include details in the Tower.

Action: CM, JS, Clerk.

02/19.7 – Love Lane Footpath:

CM has drafted an email to C.Cllr. Tom Thacker requesting support in getting HCC to complete works on their “list”. CM will also speak to resident at Priors Mill. Clerk provided photos tarmac patch work by one of the springs which had been reported at OM – no need to log with HCC for action but it was noted there was no drainage channel and therefore the spring will erode the repair.

Action: CM.

02/19.8 – Holding Field – Car Park Extension and Cricket Wicket Removal:

Tender documents sent out to three contractors who all confirmed receipt – two have responded by the deadline. A 3rd quote is required so another contractor contacted and a site visit arranged. The two parties who did respond are aware a third quote is being sought. SA is progressing the Planning Application – 90% done. It is not known if the PC will be required to pay the full planning cost. Expenditure for planning fee (if required) approved.

Resolved: Fee for planning application agreed up to £500 (committee limit).

Action: CM, SA, Clerk.

02/19.9 – Updates to Manydown Outline Planning Application – Consultation:

SA reported that it is mainly the transport sections (surveys/reports/recommendations) that the PC is likely to be interested in. It was noted that the number of planned homes has increased to 3520. It was pleasing to see that the effect on the wider road/transport network is finally acknowledged. It was noted that the junctions Little Knowl Hill / George Street; Union Lane Roundabout; Ashford Hill Road; Crabbs Hill were highlighted for improvements. The report mentions a good connection to Basingstoke station but councillors highlight this will only work if the timing of the buses match appropriately with the train times.

02/19.10 – Traffic and Parking Project:

An update on the consultation that was prepared for the fete was requested. The consultation document written and released, at the OM September 2018 it was agreed to expand project to include Ash Grove and Priors Close. Information has now been condensed to an A5 flyer for Tower – the council already has a slot in the March Tower for the Route 56 Bus and will be requesting a second for an election flyer. As both of these are time critical the consultation flyer is queued waiting for a slot. The consultation will run for a period of time and then results summarised for submitting to relevant authorities. A Banner has been installed at the Primary School requesting no parking on the yellow zigzags. As mentioned in item 5, the SID is operating on Winchester Road. The brackets for the Speedwatch SID have been retrieved and passed on to the current co-ordinator. AP will investigate if a solar panel can be obtained for the current SW kit – Clerk to check the specification and forward to AP. The Holding Field Car Park is underway.

Action: CM, AP, Clerk.

02/19.11 – MHOS – Draft Management Recommendations:

The draft report was circulated prior to the meeting and the committee are asked to consider if the report satisfies their requirements or requires alterations. On page 7, the item “Reduce mowing of the boundary bank with churchyard” is not ideal. There is concern the hedging and ivy that was removed will grow back if not regularly mown and the MHOS and churchyard would become divided again. Clerk to inform Arcadian Ecology that apart from the recommendation to not mow the bank the council is happy with the report and content.

Action: Clerk.

02/19.12 – S106 Fund Allocations:

NP has provided via the clerk some suggestions for use of the S106 Open Spaces fund. 1. Picnic benches for the Orchard – 4 circular, seating 8 people each £1449; 2. Bluebells (in the green) for the MHOS – 1000 bulbs for £150; 3. Tit Nesting Boxes – for the Orchard; MHOS; Rec as many as desired at £7.99 each; 4. Bat Boxes for MHOS – 2 @ £14.99 each.

CM – has suggested we also consider Owl Boxes and Tree Planting particularly as there is a Tree policy within the NP. CM commented that the tree line between the A339 and the Orchard is very thin offering little protection to noise and pollution. It was suggested that the tree line needs to be thickened up. Other areas that could also benefit from tree planting are the triangle of BDBC land adjacent to the Holding Field (which the PC hope to acquire and incorporate into the HF) and the Mid-sides of the Recreation Ground perimeter. In the absence of NP it was decided further discussion on which projects to allocate to these funds should take place at the next GP.

Action: Next GP.

02/19.13 – Bank Adjacent to Steps from the Recreation Ground:

The clerk is still waiting for the Land Registry documents for the bank between the Recreation Ground as detailed on the maps available in the office from 1983. This is to be added to the Action List. Clerk to approach HCC/HALC legal for advice.

Action: Clerk.

02/19.14 – Allotments:

The clerk reported that 4 plots remain unpaid as of today and 2 plots have been surrendered. There are 5 people on the waiting list. One of the plots relinquished is a full-size plot so could be sub divided. 34 people are currently signed up to receive the AMG newsletters.

02/19.15 – Action List:

A draft copy of the proposed new action list was circulated prior to the meeting. It was suggested that a column is added to allocate the task to a particular meeting type e.g. OM; GP. It was discussed whether the Project List and Action List should be separate or one list. It was agreed to keep them as separate lists but to add a column for “Associated Project” to link the two documents. Action List should be used as a matter of routine and kept updated by the Clerk as a management tool allowing all actions from the various committees to be tracked. Cllrs to send any items that need to be added to the Action List – by email.

02/19.16 – Highways Issues:

: It was highlighted that Red and white road cones/bollards have arrived outside a property at the A339 entrance to Cottismore. The keep left sign for the A339 roundabout on Newbury Road has collapsed. Flooding outside McColls and at the end of Swan Street. Report all the above to HCC Highways. Flooding on the slip road to Basingstoke Road – it is noted that there is still an issue here but the work completed by the Lengthsman has improved the situation. Clerk to add this to the Lengthsman list for the next scheduled work day.

02/19.17 – Planning Applications:

17.1. 18/03716/HSE – 5 South Road: No objection.

17.2. 19/00235/HSE & 19/00236/LBC – Priors Mill, North Street: Comments – make sure correct materials used, in line with NP.

17.3. 19/00126/ROC – Brambles, Foxs Lane: Object – development not in line with NP policies with particular regard to the SPB and AONB. Clerk to also check with BDBC Planning and Development control that the approval conditions for the new build have been met.

17.4. 19/00206/HSE – 6 Cedar Drive: No Objections.

17.5. Resident request to move driveway on Fieldgate Drive: The road is owned by BDBC – clerk to respond and advise the PC has no power to grant permission.

02/19.18 – Date of next meeting:

Monday 11th March 2019 7:30pm in the Village Club.

Meeting closed 22:27

Signed:.....Chairman

Date:.....

Signed:.....Clerk

Date:.....

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