

TWYFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Planning and Amenities Committee held at Loddon Hall, Twyford on Monday 5th July 2004 at 7.45pm.

1. Present Mrs L Dane (Chairman), Messrs R Mantel, K Hogg, J Bowley, Mrs G Wright,
In attendance: Mr J. March (Clerk).
2. **Apologies-** Mr D Hymers
3. **Declarations of interest in items on the agenda** - None
4. **Minutes of the meeting held 5th July 2004** –Mrs G Wright proposed and Mr R Mantel seconded, approved unanimously.
5. **Matters arising and action points**
 - 6.1 Mrs Dane to request more information on Section 106 agreements from WDC. Mrs Dane gave details of the agreements for Willow Drive and Lincoln Gardens indicating the items that have been ring fenced for the skate park. Agreed that the Council asks WDC to proceed with the proposals detailed for enhancing cycle paths and footpaths. Mrs L Dane to draft a letter.
 - 6.2 The Clerk to request more details on the proposed street lighting schemes on the joint funding list. Reply received giving details of proposals. Given to Mr D Hymers to consider and bring back to a later meeting for discussion.
 - 6.3 The Clerk to contact the supplier of the Jubilee clock to obtain a price for maintenance. Contact made and quote requested.
 - 6.4 Street naming Lincoln Gdns – the Clerk to write to WDC. Reply sent.
 - 6.5 Traffic Lights Stanlake Bridge – The Clerk to report the fault to WDC. Reported.
 - 6.6 The Clerk to pass information on Making Connections Project Officer to Parish Lands Committee. Completed.
 - 6.7 The Clerk to reply to Sonning about their Village Design Statement. Reply sent.
 - 6.8 The Clerk to reply to the letter from Mr Barker-sent and copied to police. Copy of message from police to Mr Barker received.
 - 6.9 Safer Routes to School – reply received from consultants giving details of the effect of the scheme on car usage at Colleton School.
6. **Planning matters**
 - 6.1 **Current List:-**
 - 6.1.1 6969 68 – 74 Wargrave Rd
 1. The Council would be very concerned at any increase in the overall height of the dwellings.
 2. Has the landscaping at the front of the site been approved because the choice of plants on the frontage is not what the Council would consider acceptable?
 3. Is the large green wooden box on the front boundary a temporary structure and will it be removed on completion of the work on site?
 - 6.1.2 1987 35 Hurst Park Rd – no comment.
 - 6.1.3 1880 Business Units Gas Lane
 1. This is not a suitable site for a residential development
 2. There will be excessive noise from the railway
 3. There will be insufficient light as it backs on to the railway embankment

4. There is concern about traffic safety as the proposed access is off a bend in a narrow road that is used to access the station car park.
5. There is concern about pedestrian safety as there is no footpath.
- 6.1.4 2179 17 Brook St – no comment
- 6.1.5 2103 2 Ruscombe Rd – no comment
- 6.1.6 2102 2 Ruscombe Rd – no comment
- 6.1.7 2190 Old Police House Station Rd – the Council thought the original planning consent for a garage applied to 50 Waltham Rd not the Old Police House.
- 6.1.8 2159 177 Broad Hinton – no comment
- 6.1.9 1857 Colleton School – no comment
- 6.1.10 2216 69 Hurst Rd – no comment
- 6.1.11 2196 111 Colleton Drive – no comment
- 6.1.12 2217 20 Broadwater Rd – no comment
- 6.1.13 2254 3 Firgrove Bath Rd – no comment
- 6.1.14 2261 36 Wessex Gdns – There does not appear to be enough parking space for vehicles and maintaining access to the front door of the property.
- 6.1.15 2275 54 Paddock Heights – no comment
- 6.1.16 2262 48 Paddock Heights – no comment
- 6.1.17 2297 Orchard Cottage Ruscombe Lane – consider all three planning conditions asked to be relaxed should remain in force.
- 6.1.18 1494 44 Orchard Estate – no comment
- 6.1.19 2288 104 Broad Hinton – no comment
- 6.1.20 0836 15 Lincoln Gdns – no comment providing the increase in plot 8 to a 4-bedroom property does not create a precedent for the rest of the development.

7.2 Appeals -

15 Lincoln Gdns - noted

7.3 Notices of permission

1792	34 Chaseside Ave	1751	82 Wargrave Rd
1678	1 Station Rd	1614	4 Hilltop Rd
1819	8 Jarvis Drive		

7.4 Notices of refusal

1630 80 Springfield Park

7.5 Other planning matters:-

- 7.5.1 Planning applications and decisions 17.05.04 – 21.05.04 - noted
- 7.5.2 Planning applications and decisions 31.05.04 – 04.06.04 - noted
- 7.5.3 Planning applications and decisions 07.06.04 – 11.06.04 - noted
- 7.5.4 Planning applications and decisions 14.06.04 – 18.06.04 - noted
- 7.5.5 Conservation area –tree pruning Lionel Court - noted
- 7.5.6 WDC Street numbering Kings Gardens – noted. The Clerk to write to WDC regarding the spelling of the name.
- 7.5.7 Planning applications and decisions 21.06.04 – 25.06.04 – noted
- 7.5.8 WDC meeting of Development Control Committee 07.07.04 – noted
- 7.5.9 85 Colleton Drive has converted their garage to a room without planning permission. The Clerk to report this to the enforcement officer.

8. Footway Lighting

- 8.1 Repair and fault report – the following faults have been reported:
Parish – 188 Carlisle Gdns - outage
117 Malvern Way– day burner
166 Winchcombe Rd – cover off.

9. General Amenity Matters:

- 9.1 Communication with local schools – letter from WDC regarding appointment of governors read to the meeting. Proposed by Mr D Hymers, seconded by Mr K Hogg to **RECOMMEND** to the Full Council that the Council contacts the local schools and invites them to approach the Council when a vacancy occurs for a community governor to ask them to nominate a person to serve as a representative of the Parish Council. – Carried unanimously
- 9.2 Village Christmas tree – It was suggested that the Council should provide a Christmas tree for the village. After discussion it was proposed by Mr J Bowley and seconded by Mr K Hogg to **RECOMMEND** to the Full Council that the Council contribute up to £300 towards the cost of purchasing, erecting and disposing of a Christmas tree. For 4, against 2 - carried.
- 9.3 Loddon Hall – Mr D Hymers reported on a meeting he had with Dawn Goodhew the Chairperson and Paula Evans the Treasurer. The annual accounts are now in order and the Charity Commissioners are satisfied. An extraordinary general meeting will be called to get them approved. New trustees are needed and the Council was asked if it would provide one. Possible changes to the constitution were discussed. They are finishing off refurbishment work on the rear terrace and their next project is the kitchen.

10. Highways

- 10.1 Potholes update - Back edge of footpath subsiding in Hurst Rd adjacent to allotment gate opposite Byron Rd
- 10.2 Speeding in Hilltop Rd – raised by a local resident. The situation will be monitored.
- 10.3 WDC Prohibition of stopping and waiting order – Hermitage Drive. Longfield Rd and Kibblewhite Crescent – noted.
- 10.4 WDC Meeting of the Highways Board 05.07.04. – Mrs L Dane outlined a number of proposals concerning Twyford – a traffic survey is to be carried out in Milley Lane, more parking restrictions are proposed for Paddock Heights, implementation of the 50mph speed limit on the A4 and changes at the Waltham Rd/Hurst Rd junction to improve pedestrian safety.

- 10.5 Progress on repair of traffic lights – the Clerk gave details of the latest information he has obtained. There is still no date when the work will be completed. The Clerk to write to WDC expressing the Council’s concern at the time this is taking to resolve.
- 10.6 Report on meeting of TVCMI Transport Group. Mrs L Dane reported on a recent meeting. Discussions were held on the funding of buses and amendments to be made to the service to save money. Some of the work requested at Twyford Station has been carried out, but there is more required. Agreed that Mrs Dane write to Great Western Trains on behalf of the Council as well as TVCMI. Oxford CC is now prepared to consider a third Thames crossing.

11. Correspondence:

- 11.1 Henley CAB AGM 28.06.04 – noted
- 11.2 Readibus AGM 24.06.04 – noted
- 11.3 Wokingham Job Support Centre AGM 19.07.04 - noted
- 11.4 Home Start Wokingham AGM 12.07.04 - noted
- 11.5 Wokingham Patient Forum – meeting 13.07.04 – noted.

12. Twyford News –

There is one invoice outstanding for issues 74/75 which the Clerk is following up. The Clerk has written to advertisers asking if they wish to participate in issues 75/76.

13. Date of next meeting –Monday 2nd August 2004.

The meeting closed at 10.10 pm