

## TWYFORD PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of a meeting of the Planning and Amenities Committee held at Loddon Hall, Twyford on Monday 29th March 2004 at 7.45pm.

Present Mr K Hogg ( In the chair), Mrs B Herbertson, Messrs D Hymers, R Mantel, , J Bowley, T Le Mare, A Parkin-White, Mrs G Wright

In attendance: Mr J. March (Clerk),

1. **Apologies-** Mrs L Dane.
2. **Declarations of interest in items on the agenda** - none
3. **Minutes of the meeting held 1<sup>st</sup> March 2004** – Mr D Hymers proposed and Mr T Le Mare seconded, approved unanimously.
4. **Matters Arising:**
  - 4.1 Phasing of traffic lights on crossroads – faults now identified as lack of two detector packs and faulty joint cables. WDC negotiating on cost of repair.
  - 4.2 WDC – Parish Council website – meeting with WDC attended by Clerk on 4<sup>th</sup> March. Introduction of proposals subject to partnership funding between WDC and other organisations, which still has to be agreed.
  - 4.3 Name for footpath at rear of Wessex Gdns - Still waiting to hear from district councillors.
  - 4.4 Youth Serviced contacted and reply received.
  - 4.5 Provisional quote for removal of ivy lamp 137 The Grove £30/50 – to be confirmed.
  - 4.6 Amenity Lorry – notices put on notice boards – Clerk to amend to make Twyford Parish Council more prominent.
  - 4.7 Reply sent to WDC regarding liaison on planning matters.
  - 4.8 Street nameplates reported to WDC – reply received work to be added to existing list.
  - 4.9 Wessex Gardens top play area. WDC contacted. Order has been placed for repair to be carried out so area can be re-opened.
  - 4.10 Graffiti on wall above barbers. Building managing agents contacted. They will check out and take appropriate action.
  - 4.11 Reply sent regarding proposed Thames crossing.
  - 4.12 L Dane not present so will report on minerals and waste strategies at next meeting
5. **Planning matters**
  - 5.1 **Current List:-**
    - 5.1.1 1045 Twyford Tennis Club – no comment
    - 5.1.2 1204 48 Paddock Heights – no comment
    - 5.1.3 1259 19 Sycamore Drive - no comment
    - 5.1.4 1253 136 Wargrave Rd – no comment
    - 5.1.5 1241/2 23&23a High St – Plans do not include any elevation drawings. Are there any changes to be made? What arrangements are there for access to the rear garden and for parking?
    - 5.1.6 1213 141 London Rd Ruscombe – This application breaches the guidelines on minimum garden size, distance from neighbouring properties and blocking the development of adjacent land
    - 5.1.7 0996 3 Longfield Rd – Although additional parking is to be welcomed the Council objects to the loss of a mature tree. The previous comments made still stand.
    - 5.1.8 1338 27 Springfield Park – no comment
    - 5.1.9 1319 5 Yewhurst Close - Will there be sufficient parking space for 5 cars?

- 5.1.10 1368 Phillips Chemist – no comment
- 5.1.11 9870 Wood Yard Ruscombe – no comment
- 5.1.12 1389 82 Wargrave Rd – The Council objects to this application. This house has already been substantially extended and this proposal includes the conversion of the existing garage to a very large room without specifying what use it is to be put to.
- 5.1.13 56 Poundfield Way – The Council objects to this application. The extension is unneighbourly to no 58 because it will overhang the property, will be too close to no 58 and will necessitate the loss of vegetation in the garden of no 58. No 58 uses the garage as a study and the proposed extension will necessitate disturbance of this use. No 58 is also concerned about the possibility of builders vehicles blocking her access.
- 5.1.14 1158 Mulberry Mead – This is an improvement but the house on plot one seems to be smaller than the others. Plot 3 – the house is too close to the main road. The garden is below minimum standards in the guidelines (only 6 metres) and they will suffer from noise nuisance. It could easily be sited further forward on the plot.
- 5.1.15 1477 Orchard Cottage Ruscombe – No comment
- 5.1.16 0348 SGB Ruscombe Business Park – No comment
- 5.1.17 1489 Twyford Bowling Club - No comment

## **5.2 Appeals -**

15 New Rd – The applicant is offering substantially revised plans at the hearing, which may or may not resolve some of the council's objections. By taking this route he is denying the council and the neighbours their democratic rights to be properly consulted. Without sight of the new plans it is not possible to make any constructive comment. The council asks the inspector not to consider the proffered revisions but to dismiss the appeal and advise the applicant to submit a fresh application based on his new drawings.

78 London Rd – Appeal dismissed

## **5.3 Notices of permission**

0651 33 Station Rd	0998 17 New Rd – letter sent querying decision.
1026 17 Harrison Close	0460 18 Waltham Rd
0579 28 Hilltop Rd	0962 9 London Rd
1111 Fairview Longfield Rd	

## **5.4 Notices of refusal**

0979 18 Wagtail Close	1070 23 Wargrave Rd
0763 46 Station Rd	0995 6 Church St
1132 Adj 6 The Grove	1077 21 The Grove

## **5.5 Other planning matters:-**

- 5.5.1 WDC Development Control Users Panel 04.02.04 – report from Mrs L Dane read to meeting.
- 5.5.2 WDC Development Control Committee 10.03.04 - noted
- 5.5.3 Planning applications and decisions 23.02.04 – 27.02.04 - noted
- 5.5.4 Planning applications and decisions 01.03.04 – 05.03.04 - noted
- 5.5.5 Tree preservation order 1056/2003 Mulberry Mead - noted
- 5.5.6 Tree preservation order 1055/2003 103 Wargrave Rd - noted
- 5.5.7 Berkshire Structure Plan – proposed modifications – Mrs L Dane to provided any comments needed

- 5.5.8 WDC Planning applications and decisions 08.03.04 – 12.03.047.
- 5.5.9 WDC Development Control Agenda - 31.03.04 - noted.
- 6. Footway Lighting**
- 6.1 Repair and fault report – the following faults have been reported:  
 Parish – 180 Amberley Drive – column dangerous, emergency removal  
       244 Footpath Springfield to Waltham Rd – outage  
       39 Orchard Estate – outage  
       111 Springfield Park - outage  
       156 Troutbeck Close – intermittent fault  
 WDC – 17 Wargrave Rd – outage  
       Phillips Chemist London Rd – second report – outage  
       Go Easy Travel High St – second report – outage
- 6.2 Column 180 Amberley Drive removed as in dangerous condition. Quote to replace - £488.24. – Agreed to accept--- Clerk to place order
- 7 General Amenity Matters:**
- 7.1 WDC Spring Clean 2004 and Twyford litter pick 24<sup>th</sup> April. Requirements for skips/sacks to be dealt with by Mrs L Dane
- 8 Highways**
- 8.1 Potholes – outside 27 Springfield Park – reported
- 9. Chairman’s Report to Annual Parish Meeting - Approved**
- 10. Correspondence:**
- 10.1 WDCVS members news update - noted
- 10.2 DTI/DEFRA Rolling out broadband to rural communities - noted
- 10.3 Wokingham District Local Plan 2004. - noted
- 10.4 Proposed changes to Draft Regional Transport Policy – comments to be provided by Mrs L Dane.
- 10.5 WDC Meeting of the Housing Forum 30.03.04 – noted
- 10.6 Letter From Mr N Mynheer. Letter read to meeting followed by suggested reply provided by Mrs L Dane. – Agreed – Clerk to write letter of reply.
- 11. Twyford News –**  
 At the printers. Meeting arranged for 8th April to put in inserts.
- 12 Date of next meeting –Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2004.**

The meeting closed at 9.44 pm