

## TWYFORD PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of a meeting of the Planning and Amenities Committee held at Loddon Hall, Twyford on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2004 at 7.45pm.

Present Mrs L Dane( Chairman), Messrs D Hymers, R Mantel, K Hogg, J Bowley, T Le Mare, Mrs G Wright

In attendance: Mr J. March (Clerk) and one member of the public

1. **Apologies-** none
2. **Declarations of interest in items on the agenda** - Mr J Bowley re planning application no 1602 16 Hurst Park Rd
3. **Minutes of the meeting held 29 March 2004** – Mr D Hymers proposed and Mr T Le Mare seconded, approved unanimously.
4. **Matters Arising:**
  - 4.1 The Clerk to amend Amenity Lorry notices - completed
  - 4.1.1 The Clerk to place order for replacing column 180 Amberley Drive – done.
  - 4.3 The Clerk to report loose street nameplate outside 22 Hurst Park Rd to WDC - completed
  - 4.4 The Clerk to obtain confirmation of quote for the removal of ivy from lamp 137 in The Grove- completed £45
  - 4.5 Mrs L. Dane reported on minerals and waste strategies. There is nothing of direct relevance to Twyford in the minerals strategy. It is proposed to increase the amount of building materials that are recycled. On waste the largest proportion comes from demolition and reconstruction, which needs addressing. There are various EEC directives coming out relating to landfill, disposal of tyres, recycling vehicle components and electrical and electronic components.
  - 4.6 Mrs L Dane provided comments on Berkshire Structure Plan. There is nothing controversial. They have picked up on the points made in the minerals and waste strategy and transport policy documents.
  - 4.7 Mrs Dane to arrange items for litter pick - completed
  - 4.8 Mrs L Dane provided comments on proposed changes to Draft Regional Transport Policy. Objectives are to increase car parking at railway stations, control parking provisions for small developments and move more freight by rail. It is also proposed to have more intermodal interchanges, a better network of coach routes round London and a high speed rail link through Reading. The policy refers to the A4 through Twyford as a trunk road.
  - 4.9 Clerk to reply to letter from Mr Mynheer - sent
5. **Planning matters**
  - 5.1 **Current List:-**
    - 5.1.1 0348 SGB Ruscombe – no comment
    - 5.1.2 1402 Resourcing Solutions Ruscombe – no comment
    - 5.1.3 1338 27 Springfield Park - no comment
    - 5.1.4 0836 15 Lincoln Gdns – no comment
    - 5.1.5 1519 34 New Rd – There is concern about the massing effect of two extended semis, the overbearing effect on the neighbouring bungalow and on the street scene. The frontage should be pebble dashed to match the existing.
    - 5.1.6 1562 adjoining 114 Wargrave Rd – There is concern at the height of the building as it is higher than neighbours. Will there be enough parking for what is effectively a six-bedroom house? There is concern at the proximity to the Amberley Drive junction a smaller house giving rise to fewer vehicle

- movements would be better. The whole of the ground floor should be designed to be suitable for disabled access.
- 5.1.7 1549 62 Wessex Gdns – no comment
- 5.1.8 1602 16 Hurst Park Rd – Mr Bowley left the meeting during discussions on this application - no comment
- 5.1.9 1621 Waitrose London Rd - No objection providing there is no increase in illumination and all signs are suitable for the visually impaired.
- 5.1.10 1630 80 Springfield Park – There is concern that the parking shown is not adequate for 5 cars. There is a problem with on street parking here as many dwellings have no garages and commuters also use the available space.
- 5.1.11 1623 6a High St – Object to the loss of a small, cheap residential unit when there is plenty of empty office space in the village.
- 5.1.12 1614 4 Hilltop Rd – no comment
- 5.2 Appeals -**  
 Twyford Service Station New Bath Rd – appeal dismissed  
 18 Wagtail Close –no additional comments  
 Rear of 6 Church St -noted
- 5.3 Notices of permission**
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| 1259 | 19 Sycamore Drive   | 1189   | 11 Waltham Rd     |
| 1253 | 136 Wargrave Rd     | 1158   | Mulberry Mead     |
| 1389 | 82 Wargrave rd      | 1319   | 5 Yewhurst Close  |
| 1338 | 27 Springfield Park | 1228   | 56 Poundfield Way |
| 1368 | Phillips London Rd  | 0835/6 | 15 Lincoln Gdns   |
| 1045 | Tennis Club KGVR    | 1241/2 | 23 & 23a High St  |
- 5.4 Notices of refusal**
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| 9725 | Rear of 6 Church St | 1204 | 48 Paddock Heights |
| 9724 | Rear of 6 Church St |      |                    |
- 5.5 Other planning matters:-**
- 5.5.1 WDC Development Control Committee 21.04.04 - noted
- 5.5.2 WDC Planning applications and decisions 22.03.04 - 23.03.04 - noted
- 5.5.3 WDC Planning applications and decisions 29.03.04 – 02.04.04 - noted
- 5.5.4 WDC Tree preservation order 54/1972 11 Wagtail Close - noted
- 5.5.5 WDC Reply re planning approval 17 New Rd Twyford - noted
- 5.5.6 Suggestions for marketing name for development adjacent to 15 Lincoln Gdns and information on site history. There is no interesting history to the site. Suggested marketing name greenfinches. The Clerk to contact the developers.
- 5.5.7 WDC Planning applications and decisions 19.04.04 – 23.04.04- noted
- 5.5.8 A building is being erected in the rear garden of the house in Waltham Rd adjacent to the footpath to the railway station, which may not have planning permission. The Clerk to contact the planning enforcement officer.
- 6. Footway Lighting**
- 6.1 Repair and fault report – the following faults have been reported:
- Parish – 179 Amberley Drive - outage  
 174 Wessex Gdns - outage  
 103 Cheriton Ave – day burner  
 142 – Hermitage Drive – intermittent fault  
 156 Troutbeck Close – intermittent fault  
 71 outside Police Station Station Rd - outage
- WDC – 159 Piggott roundabout on A4 – day burner  
 14 Wargrave Rd - outage

- 6.2 Quote for new column on footpath to Orchard Estate discussed. This is required as the existing column has become unsafe to work on. Agreed to **RECOMMEND** to the Finance and General Purposes Committee to accept the quotes amounting to £538.27 plus VAT for the installation of a replacement column.
- 6.3 WDC Joint funding for street lighting – details of letter read to meeting. The Clerk to ask if any proposals are being considered for Twyford.
- 7 General Amenity Matters:**
- 7.1 Twyford litter pick 24<sup>th</sup> April. This was well attended and all areas identified were cleaned up.
- 7.2 Petition regarding effectiveness of policing was discussed. Views expressed for and against sending. If it were decided to go ahead there would be a practical problem collecting signatures. Agreed it will be more appropriate to write to the Chief Constable detailing the concerns raised by residents with copies to other persons involved in policing. Mrs Dane to draft a letter for consideration by the Council.
- 7.3 Security patrols for village. Details relating to Community Support Officers supplied by PC Stuart Loudwell copied to the meeting. It was agreed this should be explored further. Mrs Dane to contact District Councillor Stephen Conway to find out about the scheme operating in Wokingham.
- 7.4 Postal Delivery problems. The poor service reported by residents and the experience of the Clerk relating to late and missed deliveries was discussed. Agreed the Clerk writes to the Royal Mail raising these issues with them.
- 8 Highways**
- 8.1 Potholes update none
- 8.2 WDC Meeting of the Highways Board 13.04.04. - noted
- 8.3 WDC Safer Routes to School – details of proposals from WDC for Polehampton Infant and Junior Schools provided to the meeting. The Clerk to ask if the proposals discussed about Loddon Hall car park are being considered for implementation and if there is any feedback on the effectiveness of the scheme introduced for Colleton School.
- 8.4 Meeting with Great Western at Twyford Station. Mrs Dane reported on the meeting. The company representatives noted the Council's requests for improvements to the station environment and car parking.
- 9. Correspondence:**
- 9.1 Keep Mobile - invite to AGM 08.05.04 noted
- 9.2 Environment Agency – Loddon Catchment Abstraction Management Strategy. Mrs Dane to comment at next meeting
- 9.3 WDC Wokingham District Biodiversity Action Plan. Mrs Dane to comment at next meeting
- 9.4 Community Voluntary Action Wokingham District. - noted
- 9.5 Changes to Regional Planning Guidance Mrs Dane to comment at next meeting
- 9.6 A327 junction improvements - noted
- 9.7 WDC Traveller Conference 23.06.04 - noted
- 10. Twyford News –**  
Delivered to residents. Advertisers have been invoiced and payments are being received.
- 12 Date of next meeting –Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2004.**

The meeting closed at 10.00 pm