

TWYFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Planning and Amenities Committee held at Loddon Hall, Twyford on Monday 7th August 2006 at 7.45pm.

Present: Mrs L Dane (Vice Chairman), Mr C Smith, and Mrs B Ditcham

In attendance: Mr J. March (Clerk)

1. **Public Questions** - None
2. **Apologies** - Mr D Hymers, Mr J Rowe, Mr J Jarvis and Mr R Mantel.
3. **Declaration of items of interest on the agenda** - None
4. **Minutes of the meeting held on 3rd July 2006** – Proposed by Mr C Smith, seconded by Mrs B Ditcham - approved unanimously.
5. **Matters arising and action points**
 - 5.1 The Clerk to write to Royal Mail about the collection time for London Rd and the use of indicators on all post boxes. Reply received. The main post box is emptied at 11.45 am on Sunday and the tab should indicate when it has been emptied. There are no plans to change the notice on the post box at present. Tabs should be in use on all boxes. Any locations where this is not the case should be reported.
 - 5.2 Mr J Rowe to check houses in the conservation area with satellite dishes facing the road. Completed
 - 5.3 The Clerk to notify the WDC Enforcement Officers about the houses identified by Mr Rowe. Completed.
 - 5.4 The Clerk to contact WDC to obtain more copies of the Conservation Area leaflets for councillors. Completed.
 - 5.5 The Clerk to arrange a meeting between Mrs L Dane, Mrs B Ditcham and the Scouts to discuss arrangements for the distribution of Twyford News. Completed. The Scouts will be taking on the delivery.
 - 5.6 The Clerk to reply to Liz Kirk about Crime Reduction Initiatives. Completed.
 - 5.7 The Clerk to arrange for unwanted signs to be removed. Completed.
 - 5.8 The Clerk to contact WDC about signage for Greenfinch Drive. The developer has agreed to install a new sign.
 - 5.9 Broad Hinton Play Area. Discussed at WDC Executive meeting in July. No decision made and more information requested. To be discussed again in September.
6. **Planning Matters**
 - 6.1 **Current List**

8054 Loddon Park Farm – the new siting is an improvement. However, previous comments still apply. In addition there is concern that vehicles taking away the produce will have to exit on to the A4. There is no information provided on the proposed number of vehicle movements. In order to make the building economic to run there is concern that it will be used to process produce brought in from other locations. Use of the building should be restricted to only dealing with produce grown on this farm.

7644 15 Sycamore Drive – approval granted 14.07.06

7939 15 Hurst Park Rd + amendment – Object

 1. The proposed garage has no use as a garage it is too small and is no use as a room as it has no window.
 2. The second parking space cannot be accessed from the dropped kerb.
 3. The second parking space will obscure the site lines for the junction.
 4. Too much of the front garden will be hard surfaced to create the second parking space.

8102 148 Broad Hinton – The extension is very close to the house behind and could suffer from overlooking by the house in Saunders Close

8092 2 South View Close - The landing window should have obscure glass and there is a query whether the garden is as long as shown on the plans.

7963 Stanlake Farm Cottage – Roof lights are out of character for a Grade 2 listed building.

7964 Stanlake Farm Cottage – Object This appears to be a separate unit as there is no access to the existing building. It is in the flood plain and there is no allocated garden or parking.

8239 33 Poundfield Way – No Comment

8180 Kingswillow Longfield Rd – Object

1. Over development of the site.
2. Easily convertible to two dwellings.
3. The garage appears to be suitable for conversion to another room, which is unnecessary.
4. Adverse effect on the neighbouring property.

8178 2 Verey Close – No comment

7983 10 Yewhurst Close – if permission is granted it should be made personal to the existing owner and not be allowed to be transferred if the property is sold.

8277 46-48 Wargrave Rd – No comment

8235 11 Waltham Rd - Care needed to make sure the trees on the boundary of the adjacent property are not damaged.

8234 Denmark House Charvil - Object – It will increase traffic flow, it is in the green gap between villages and it is in the flood plain.

8360 48 Kibblewhite Crescent - The utility room has no windows. Possible adverse effect on 29 Longfield Rd.

6.2 Appeals - None

6.3 Notices of permission

6123 Apsley House London Rd	7687 34 Jarvis Drive
7648 Mulberry Mead	7850 47 Orchard Estate
7833 39 Kibblewhite Crescent	7644 15 Sycamore Drive
25b Wargrave Rd	

6.4 Notices of refusal

7647 Mulberry Mead	7442 108 Broad Hinton
7585 62/64 Wargrave Rd	7714 82 Hurst Rd

6.5 Other planning matters

6.5.1 6 WDC Planning applications and decisions:

19.06.06 – 23.06.06
 26.06.06 – 30.06.06
 03.07.06 – 07.07.06
 10.07.06 – 14.07.06 – All noted

6.5.2 Wharf Developments Sandford Farm Woodley – Noted.

6.5.3 WDC News Releases – Future of Wokingham District and Broad Approach to Development (copies enclosed). - Noted

6.5.4 WDC Public Consultation Draft Core Strategy Nov 2005. - Noted

7. Twyford News. – Mrs Dane to follow up advertisers who have not responded to the renewal letter for the autumn issue.

8. Footway Lighting

8.1 Repair and fault report.

Parish - 93 Byron Rd– outage
 WDC - o/s 31/33 Springfield Park - outage
 27 Wargrave Rd – day burner

8.2 Price increase notification received from Southern Electric. The Clerk to find out details.

9. General Amenity Matters

- 9.1 Twyford Neighbourhood Partnership Group – Mrs Ditcham to report back to next meeting on any implications for the council.
- 9.2 First Great Western Timetable Changes - noted.
- 9.3 Thames Valley Journey Time – questionnaire. Mrs Dane to draft comments for consideration by the Full Council.
- 9.4 WDC Veteran Tree Project – Mr Glencross WDC has made contact. The project is going ahead. Do Twyford wish to participate at a cost of £590 over two years? Mrs Dane to check the original information supplied by WDC.
- 9.5 Invite from Thames Valley Police to attend a briefing meeting on Neighbourhood Policing and Community Support Officers. Mr Jarvis to attend.
- 9.6 Library – Mrs Dane reported on the meeting with WDC regarding the request for a new library. Councillors expressed concern at the outcome.

10. Highways

- 10.1 Potholes update. None.
- 10.2 A4/London Rd junction. Discussed and agreed that safety measures are needed but there was no agreement on the best action to take to achieve this.
- 10.3 WDC Highway Design Guide – First Revision. Mr C Smith to check if there are any significant changes affecting Twyford.
- 10.4 Parking in Twyford. Letter received from Mr Phillips regarding various issues he has raised with WDC and the Police. The Clerk to ask Mr Jarvis to raise this at the next Neighbourhood Policing meeting.

11. Correspondence

- 11.1 T May MP – Twyford Library - noted
- 11.2 Mr Sunley – Safer Routes to School – noted. The Clerk to copy to WDC Highways Department.
- 11.3 Parish Council Focus Group Minutes - noted
- 11.4 WDC Meet our Youth MP - noted
- 11.5 WDC Environment Bulletin no 12 - noted
- 11.6 CVA – invite to networking event in relation to Neighbourhood Partnership Groups. Mrs Ditcham to consider when dealing with item 9.1 above.
- 11.7 SERT Partnership Newsletter – noted.

- 12. Date of next meeting – 4th September 2006.**

The meeting closed at 9.45 pm.