

## TWYFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Planning and Amenities Committee held at Loddon Hall, Twyford on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2007 at 7.45pm.

**Present:** Mr J Jarvis (Chairman), Mr D Hymers, Mrs L Dane, Mr C Smith, Mrs B Ditcham, Mr J Rowe and Mr R Mantel.

In attendance: Mr J. March (Clerk).

1. **Public Questions** - None
2. **Apologies** - none
3. **Declaration of interests in items on the agenda** – Mrs Dane declared an interest in the planning application for 99 and 101 Wargrave Rd
4. **Minutes of the meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> February 2007** – Proposed by Mr D Hymers, seconded by Mrs B Ditcham - approved unanimously.
5. **Matters arising and action points**
  - 5.1 The Clerk to report the removal of a section of hedge at Mulberry Mead to WDC. Completed.
  - 5.2 The Clerk report parking on Yellow lines outside Mulberry Mead to WDC and the police. Completed.
  - 5.3 The Clerk to follow up advertisers for Twyford News issues 80 & 81. Completed.
  - 5.4 The Clerk to send the reply on consultation on Social Care Services to WDC with a copy to Teresa May. Completed.
  - 5.5 The Clerk to follow up on the proposed play area consultation with WDC. Completed. The Clerk to put this item on the agenda of the April meeting.
  - 5.6 The Clerk to ask WDC if speed activated signs can be installed in Wargrave Rd. Completed.
6. **Planning Matters**
  - 6.1 **Current List**

0207 78 Wargrave Rd – is loft space roof height sufficient for a habitable room?  
0237 78 Hurst Rd – no comment.  
0272 48 Wargrave Rd – no comment  
0394 41 Hurst Park Rd – no comment.  
0395 27 Station Rd – no comment.  
0439 22 Broadwater Rd – no comment.  
0416 75 Hurst Rd – no comment.  
0274 Mulberry Mead Winchcombe Rd – The utility room is part of the extension so it should be included as part of the application. There is concern about the height of the pitched roof over the utility room and the effect on the neighbouring property.  
0312 Kingswillow Longfield Rd – The neighbouring property Lulworth is not as shown on the plan as it has been extended and there is concern about the effect of the proposed extension on Lulworth. The garage has cavity walls so a condition should be imposed that it can only be used as a garage.  
0405 99 and 101 Wargrave Rd. Mrs Dane left the room during the discussion on this application. Plot 1 garden looks substandard. Is there sufficient parking area on this plot for a 4-bedroom property? There is concern at the proximity of the access road to the access road for another development on the opposite side of Wargrave Rd.
  - 6.2 **Appeals** – None
  - 6.3 **Notices of permission**

9425 82 Hurst Rd	9488 77 Hurst Rd
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  - 6.4 **Notices of refusal**

9492 15-17 Westview Drive	9362 49 Chaseside Ave
9447 75 Hurst Rd	8995 63 London Rd
  - 6.5 **Other planning matters**
    - 6.5.1 WDC Planning applications and decisions:

22.01.07 – 26.01.07	29.01.07 – 02.02.07
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05.02.07 – 16.02.07            19.02.07 – 23.02.07

- 6.5.2 Regional Housing Strategy Review – Mr Jarvis to read and report to next meeting.
- 6.5.3 WDC community response to consultation on issues and options for site allocations.  
Noted
- 6.5.4 Bridge House – meeting with PR consultant. The Clerk reported on the meeting he had.
- 6.5.5 Section 106 agreements – The Clerk gave details of the latest information he has obtained for agreements in Twyford. Concern was expressed about the small sums being allocated for library provision in Twyford. The Clerk to write to WDC.
- 6.5.6 SEERA Partial Review of South East Plan – noted.
- 6.5.7 Mrs Dane raised concerns about an article on Twyford written by Ann Berne in the Reading Chronicle which gave incorrect information about how the Parish Council deal with planning applications. Agreed Mrs Dane to draft a reply for the Clerk to send.
- 7. Twyford News.** – The spring issue is due to go to the printers on 7<sup>th</sup> March.
- 8. Footway Lighting**
- 8.1 Repair and fault report.  
Parish - Various lights Springfield Park outages – mains fault  
229 Orchard Estate – Day Burner  
WDC - 27 Waltham Rd - outage
- 9. General Amenity Matters**
- 9.1 WDC Bus infrastructure – information provided about bus shelters is incorrect. The Clerk to reply to WDC.
- 9.2 Q & A from Voluntary Sector Forum 17.01.07 – circulated on e-mail – noted.
- 9.3 Letter from stakeholders re Post Office Closures Consultation. Noted. The Clerk to reply to WDC indicating the council's support for petitioning the government and asking to be kept informed.
- 9.4 Japanese Knotweed. The Clerk has downloaded information from the web and spoken to a consultant. Although it is illegal to take action that allows it to spread there is no requirement to remove it.
- 9.5 Police NAG – Mr Jarvis reported on the recent meeting where speed limits and the traffic lights in the centre of the village were discussed.
- 9.6 Mr C Smith expressed concern at the lack of action by the police following an incident where ball bearings were fired at a property in Church St. Mr D Hymers reported that there had also been a window broken and damage to a car in Colleton Drive. The Clerk to Contact the police to find out what action is being taken. Mr Jarvis will also raise this at the next meeting of the NAG.
- 9.7 WDC Amenity vehicle. Details of the dates for visits have been received. The Clerk to put details on the notice boards.
- 10. Highways**
- 10.1 Potholes update. – Outside 15 Winchcombe Drive – pot hole in middle of road.  
Springfield Park – near the junction with London Rd – potholes in Surface of road.
- 10.2 WDC Highways Consultative Board 05.03.07 – noted.
- 11. Correspondence**
- 11.1 WDC Environmental Bulletin – circulated on e-mail – noted.
- 11.2 WDC Local access Forum – Rights of Way not included on Definitive Maps - noted.
- 11.3 Mid and West Berkshire Countryside Local Access Forum. Annual report and rights of way not included on definitive maps – noted.
- 12. Date of next meeting – 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2007.**

The meeting closed at 10.05 pm.