

## TWYFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Planning and Amenities Committee held at Loddon Hall, Twyford on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2007 at 7.45pm.

**Present:** Mr J Jarvis. (Chairman), Mrs B Ditcham, Mr C Smith, Mr D Hymers, Mr R Mantel, Mr J Rowe, Mr M Shepherd and Miss C La Trobe.

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

1. **Public Questions** – None
2. **Apologies** – None
3. **Declaration of interest in items on the agenda.** None.
4. **Minutes of the meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> November.** Proposed D Hymers seconded Mr J Rowe and approved unanimously.
5. **Matters arising and action points**
  - 5.1 Miss C La Trobe to investigate the preparation of a Village Design Statement. Carried forward.
  - 5.2 The Clerk to ask WBC the cost to reinstate the Youth Mobile vehicle for Twyford. Completed.
  - 5.3 The Clerk to ask the owners to remove the graffiti on the side of the Bulldog Garage. Completed.
  - 5.4 The Clerk to purchase a new bench for London Rd. Type of bench decided WBC contacted regarding carrying out installation as it is on the highway.
  - 5.5 The Clerk to report the open traffic light lens to WBC. Completed
  - 5.6 The Clerk to reply to Mrs Stillman-Lowe. Completed.
  - 5.7 The Clerk to reply to the WBC questionnaire on play areas. Completed.
6. **Planning Matters**
  - 6.1 **Current List**

2659 Loddon Park Farm Object – This is a separate dwelling. The so-called dressing area is not part of the bedroom and could easily be converted to a kitchen. The building has no connection to the main house and as such a “master suite” is no appropriate. The application should be resubmitted to show proper facilities and amenities for a separate unit. A connecting porch does not prevent this being a separate dwelling.

2743 63 London Rd - Object. Effect of roof on neighbouring properties, there is potential for it to become a separate building, over development of the site and as it is in the conservation area should there also be a consent application?

2642 33 Hurst Rd - Object Effect on street scene as it will still be in front of the building line. Previous comments still apply regarding study having no exterior window.

2854 3 Weavers Way Object Over development of site. The ceiling height in the loft room is insufficient.

2777 15 New Rd -Object. The original location should remain, as the new position is uneighbourly to no 17.

2775 Waitrose London Rd – Object. It will be isolated when the shop is shut and even with CCTV it is an open invitation to vandalism and potential problems for users. The ATM should be mounted in the wall and not an external pod.

2853 7 New Rd - Object. Proximity to A4, uneighbourly to adjacent properties and inappropriate back land development.

2841 24 Jarvis Drive - No comment

2816 29 Malvern Way – No comment.

2766 4 Malvern Way – No comment.

2764 15 Broadwater Rd – No comment.
  - 6.2 **Appeals** – 1709 27 Orchard Estate 1787 15-17 Westview Drive  
1257 1 Wensley Close.
  - 6.3 **Notices of permission**

2466 22 Colleton Drive  
2480 23 Cotterell Gdns

2436 1 Sycamore Drive

#### **6.4 Notices of refusal –**

2513 65 Hurst Park Rd

#### **6.5 Other planning matters**

##### **6.5.1 WBC Planning applications and decisions:**

29.10.07 – 02.11.07                      05.11.07 – 09.11.07 Noted

6.5.2 WBC Tree Work in Conservation Area –Bridge House – Noted.

6.5.3 WBC Meeting of Planning Committee 28.11.07. Noted.

6.5.4 Unauthorised felling of tree 63 London Rd. The Clerk has contacted WBC about this and read their reply to the meeting. The Clerk to ask if individual tree can have TPOs rather than the existing group cover. The Clerk to copy the WBC reply to Mrs Reid 55 London Rd.

6.5.5 Unapproved development at 63 London Rd – discussed under item 6.1.

6.5.6 Conversion of garage to habitable room at 53 Colleton Drive. The Clerk to check with WBC if permission has been requested for this.

**7. Precept 2008** Alteration made to budget for street furniture to cover the cost of maintenance on the Jubilee Clock. All other figures confirmed as correct.

**8. Twyford News** - Nothing to report.

#### **9. Footway Lighting**

9.1 Repair and fault report.

Parish –            129 Sycamore Drive – intermittent.

                         116 Springfield Park – intermittent.

                         123 Malvern Way – intermittent.

                         110 Springfield Park – leaning.

WBC -            None

#### **10. General Amenity Matters**

10.1 Broad Hinton Play Area. WBC Children's Services have collated the questionnaire replies and hope to submit a report for consideration in January.

10.2 Crossrail Bulletin 11 - circulated on e-mail. Noted

10.3 TVP Watch Updates 43 and 44 circulated on e-mail. Noted

10.4 Rescue 2008 – circulated on e-mail. The Clerk to reply that Twyford PC do not wish to participate. To be put on the agenda for the Annual Parish Meeting.

10.5 Noise from motorbikes at the Bulldog Garage. Apart from the resident who raised this no other reports have been received. The Clerk to ask the resident to keep a note of the dates and times when this occurs so the information can be passed on to WBC Environmental Services and to inform her that in the meantime councillors will keep a watching brief on the situation.

10.6 TVP Watch Update 45 and 36 Circulated on e-mail. Noted.

10.7 TVP Christmas Crime Menu – Noted.

10.8 TVP Ringmaster message 25.11.07 and 29.11.07. Circulated on e-mail – Noted.

10.9 WBC Local Strategic Partnership objectives. Circulated on e-mail - Noted.

10.10 Environmental Services Bulletin Dec. Circulated on e-mail – Noted.

10.11 First Great Western has reinstated most peak time services in the new timetable about to be introduced – Noted.

10.12 The waste bin in Waltham Rd adjacent to the entrance to Stanlake Meadow has come off its bracket on the post. The Clerk to report this to WBC.

#### **11. Highways**

11.1 Potholes update. The pothole in the pinch point in Springfield Park has reappeared and needs filling. The Clerk to report this to WBC.

11.2 WBC Highway Maintenance – Winter Service Plan – Noted.

11.3 Various highways matters referred to Borough Councillor Keith Baker. No reply has been regarding information sent on 5<sup>th</sup> October 2007. Mr C Smith to raise this with him when he visits the Ruscombe PC meeting on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> Dec and advise the Clerk if any further action is required.

- 11.4 Improvements to footpaths funded from Section 106 funds. Details discussed. The Clerk to inform WBC that the council agree with the proposed work.
- 11.5 Waitrose car park entrance/London Rd junction. Discussed and agreed that no further action can be taken by the parish council.
- 11.6 Street naming and numbering Loddon Park Farm – Noted.
- 11.7 Resurfacing – Springfield Park. – Noted.
- 12. Correspondence**
- 12.1 Ruscombe Parish Council – support for new library – Noted.
- 12.2 St Nicholas Hurst Parish Council – support for new library - Noted.
- 12.3 Mid/West berks Access Forum Annual Report – Noted.
- 12.4 WBC Telecommunications pre-roll out meeting – Noted.
- 12.5 Department for Transport – consultation on adding capacity at Heathrow Airport. Mr J Jarvis to consider.
- 12.6 VAWB – Community Lunch and Job Advert. Circulated on e-mail – Noted.
- 12.7 RG Development Workers Network. Circulated on e-mail – Noted.
- 12.8 Letter from Barbara Reid – points raised noted and the Clerk to reply.
- 13. Date of next meeting – Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2008.**

The meeting closed at 10.03 pm.