

TWYFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Planning and Amenities Committee held at Loddon Hall, Twyford on Monday 3rd March 2008 at 7.45pm.

Present: Mr J Jarvis. (Chairman), Mrs B Ditcham, Mr C Smith, Mr D Hymers, Mr S Clark. Mr R Mantel, and Mr M Shepherd.

In attendance: Mr J. March (Clerk) and two members of the public.

1. **Public Questions** – None
2. **Apologies** – Miss C La Trobe.
3. **Declaration of interest in items on the agenda.** None.
4. **Minutes of the meeting held on 4th February.** Proposed Mr C Smith seconded Mr D Hymers 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 complete and return the consultation document about adding additional capacity at Heathrow Airport. Completed.
 - 5.3 Mr Hymers to check if TRCA have any objections to the proposed change of use application for St Mary's Church Centre and inform the Clerk. Completed.
 - 5.4 The Clerk to query the population figures used in the Consultation relating to Strategic Housing Land Availability. Completed- waiting for a reply from WBC.
 - 5.5 The Clerk to check if the sign on the dentist in Church St has planning approval. Completed. Enforcement action being taken by WBC.
 - 5.6 The Clerk to put Climate Change and Sustainable Energy Act on the agenda of the next meeting. Completed.
 - 5.7 Councillors to bring ideas to the next meeting for possible actions that the Parish Council can take in relation to item 6. Completed.
 - 5.8 Mr Hymers to raise becoming a plastic bag free village at the next meeting of TVCMI. Carried forward, meeting not held yet.
 - 5.9 The Clerk to arrange the collection of bags following the litter pick and ask if covers can be provided for recycling boxes. Reply from WBC about recycling boxes read to meeting. WBC waiting to receive details of drop off and collection points for litter bags from parish council. Mr C Smith to raise the issues about litter from recycling boxes and collection cycles at the next WBC Campaign Against Waste meeting.
 - 5.10 The Clerk to report potholes to WBC. Completed.
 - 5.11 The Clerk to write to WBC and Councillor Baker about the proposed changes to the junction of London Rd and the A4. Completed. Reply circulated to committee members.
6. **Planning Matters**
 - 6.1 **Current List**

0066 4 Wensley Close - No Comment
0266 86-94 Wargrave Rd – Object. Over development of site. The location of this property prevents the extension of the development to adjacent available land and development of this would then require a further access off Wargrave Rd.
0282 15 Broadwater Rd - No Comment
0304 22 Wensley Close - No Comment
0310 13 Wessex Gdns - No Comment
0317 22 Harrison Close – Although the application shows 4 bedrooms the room marked as a study could be a bedroom making a total of 5.
0328 89 Hurst Park Rd - No Comment
 - 6.2 **Appeals**

1787 15-17 Westview Drive	2028 17 Kibblewhite Crescent
2513 65 Hurst Park Rd	
 - 6.3 **Notices of permission**

3003 16 Sycamore Drive	3066 5 Carlile Gdns
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3071 22 Chaseside Ave
3114 55 High St

3084 Heron Gate Longfield Rd
0062 11 Cotterell Gdns

6.4 Notices of Refusal

2955 Golden Cross Waltham Rd

6.5 Other planning matters

6.5.1 WBC Planning applications and decisions:

28.01.08 – 01.02.08, 04.02.08 – 08.02.08, 11.02.08 – 15.02.08, 18.02.08 – 22.02.08.
Noted

6.5.2 WBC Meeting of the Planning Committee 20.02.08 - noted.

6.5.3 WBC Wokingham Housing Strategy Stakeholder Conference 19.03.08 –hard copy to Mr J Jarvis. Noted – nobody available to attend.

6.5.4 Tree Preservation Order 97 Wargrave Rd – noted.

7. Twyford News - A lot of interest has been shown in providing information for articles. It is hoped that by including advertisers on the waiting list the extra revenue will cover the cost of 4 more pages so the additional information can be included.

8. Footway Lighting

Repair and fault report.

Parish – 140 Hermitage Drive – intermittent

102 Longfield Rd – outage

103 Cheriton Ave - outage

WBC - 1 & 21 Broad Hinton – Day Burners

9. General Amenity Matters

9.1 Broad Hinton Play Area. This has been included in the report prepared by children's services. However, the report has not been submitted to the WBC Executive yet.

9.2 Climate Change and Sustainable Energy Act 2006. Ideas discussed. One possibility suggested was to seek the improvement and connection of footpaths to encourage walking or cycling. Another suggestion was to consider the installation of streetlights powered by a small wind turbine and solar panel. Agreed the Clerk to investigate this suggestion further.

9.3 TVP Watch Update 53 circulated on e-mail. Noted

9.4 Provision of new library facilities. As the JW Green site has now come back on the market agreed the Clerk writes to the leader of WBC asking for a meeting to discuss the options available. Mr D Hymers and Mr R Mantel to attend to represent the Parish Council.

9.5 TVP Watch Update 54 and 55 circulated on e-mail – noted.

9.6 WBC Amenity Vehicle – noted.

9.7 One of the Perspex panel in the Twyford Rd bus shelter has been kicked in. The Clerk has purchased a replacement panel to be fitted by the Village Ranger.

9.8 Mr D Hymers expressed his concern about the large amount of graffiti that has appeared round the village recently, particularly on the railway property and the end wall of J W Green's. Agreed the Clerk contacts the railway authority and the managing agents for the JW Green site to ask for it to be removed.

10. Highways

10.1 Potholes update. None

10.2 Parking in Wagtail Close. Mr C Smith has had discussions with Mr Patterson about a possible solution. The agreed suggestion is to ask for a restricted parking scheme for Wagtail Close and the top end of Springfield Park with restriction exemptions given to residents in the flats in Springfield Park who do not have off-street parking. Mr Patterson to speak to WBC about suitable wording for a petition to be sent to residents.

10.3 Pedestrian Crossing in Wargrave Rd for Piggott School pupils. Discussed and agreed to support the proposal. The Clerk to write to District Councillor Keith Baker with a copy the District Councillor Stephen Conway and the Twyford Advertiser.

10.4 WBC Consultation on Draft Cycling Strategy. Mr S Clark to consider and bring comments to the April meeting.

11. Correspondence

11.1 CCB Berks – Village Shops in Berkshire – noted, not applicable to Twyford.

11.2 WBC Re: Low level Day Care Services for Older People – circulated on e-mail – noted.

11.3 WBC Environmental Bulletin no 32. Circulated on e-mail – noted.

12. Date of next meeting – Monday 7th April 2008.

The meeting closed at 9.35 pm