

TWYFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Planning and Amenities Committee held at Loddon Hall, Twyford on Monday 4th August 2008 at 7.45pm.

Present: Mr J Jarvis (Chairman), Mr R Mantel (from item 10), Mrs B Ditcham, Mr C Smith, Mr S Clark and Mr M Shepherd

In attendance: Mr J. March (Clerk) and Mrs K Peck.

1. **Public Questions** – Mrs K Peck raised preparation of the Village Plan, which the TVP are keen to progress. Four working groups have been set up to cover the various areas of the plan and more involvement is required in these from parish councillors. It is also a good idea to prepare a village design statement at the same time as the parish plan and this can then be adopted as part of the planning guidelines for the village, Jane Ireland from WBC can help with this and she is prepared to come to a meeting to make a presentation. Agreed this will be put on the agenda of the next meeting for further consideration and discussion.
2. **Apologies** – Miss C La Trobe and Mr D Hymers.
3. **Declaration of interest in items on the agenda.** None
4. **Minutes of the meeting held on 7th July.** Proposed Mrs B Ditcham seconded Mr C Smith and approved unanimously.
5. **Matters arising and action points**
 - 5.1 The Clerk to request 6 additional copies of the WBC Residential Design Guide. Received and distributed.
 - 5.2 The Clerk to contact the planning officer about the proposed changes to Colleton Children's Centre and ask for information about the proposed footpath to Colleton Drive. Reply received and read to meeting.
 - 5.3 Mr Jarvis to arrange for an article about recording for a television programme at Polehampton Swimming Pool to be submitted for inclusion in Twyford News. Mr Jarvis to ask his wife to prepare an article.
 - 5.4 Mr Mantel to take photos of the proposed location for the solar/wind powered light and sent them to the Clerk to send to the supplier to quote for installation. Mr Mantel to send disc containing the photos to the Clerk.
 - 5.5 The Clerk to check with WBC if any grants are available towards the cost of installing the solar/wind powered streetlight. Grants not available for low power non-domestic installations.
 - 5.6 The Clerk to arrange for footpath from Springfield Park to Waltham Rd to be cleared. WBC and Network Rail contacted.
 - 5.7 The Clerk to write to Ruscombe PC about the A4 /London Rd junction. Completed.
 - 5.8 The Clerk to write to MP Theresa May regarding aircraft noise. Reply received read to meeting.
 - 5.9 Mulberry Mead – fences in front gardens. Reply received from WBC Planning Department stating these were also approved as a minor amendment to the original permission.
6. **Planning Matters**
 - 6.1 **Current List**
 - 1305 6 Saunders Close – No Comment.
 - 0856 Twyford Bowling Club – No Comment.
 - 1271 6 Saunders Close – No Comment.
 - 1479 73 Hurst Rd – No Comment.
 - 1484 35 Kibblewhite Crescent – No Comment.
 - 1504 51 Amberley Drive – No Comment.
 - 1551 90 Wessex Gardens – No Comment.
 - 6.2 **Appeals**
 - 2816 29 Malvern Way
 - 6.3 **Notices of permission**

0861 6 Coleridge Close	1137 25 Woodpecker Close
1305 6 Saunders Close	1088 17 Cheriton Ave

6.4 Notices of Refusal

1164 24 High St
1304 69 Wessex Gdns

1280 37 Wargrave Rd

6.5 Other planning matters

6.5.1 WBC Planning applications and decisions:

30.06.08 – 04.07.08, 07.07.08 – 11.07.08, 14.07.08 – 18.07.08. – Noted.

6.5.2 WBC Meeting of the Planning Committee 23.07.08 – Noted.

6.5.3 WBC proposed liaison meetings with Town and Parish Councils. A meeting for the Northern Parishes is due to be arranged by WBC in April 2009.

7. Twyford News - Unfortunately two estate agents who had large adverts have pulled out due to the current poor trading conditions. The editors are trying to find new advertisers to fill the gaps left. Preparation of the articles to be included is progressing well.

8. Footway Lighting

8.1 Repair and fault report.

Parish – Stanlake Pavilion car park – outage.

WBC - 26 Waltham Rd – day burner.

Polehampton Close – opposite library – leaning.

20 Orchard Estate – outage.

9. General Amenity Matters

9.1 Broad Hinton Play Area. The Clerk has looked on the WBC website and found out that the Executive has decided to close this play area and remove the equipment, However, there should be consultation with the parish first regarding the possibility of taking it over. The Clerk to contact WBC as nothing has been heard from them.

9.2 Footpath from Colleton Drive to Wessex Gardens. Mrs B Ditcham reported that a branch is hanging off a tree adjacent to the footpath. The Clerk to report this to WBC.

10. Highways

10.1 Potholes update. None

10.2 WBC Proposed diversion of Footpath 2 – Twyford Railway Station. Noted – no Comments to make.

10.3 WBC Roads adopted as highway. Greenfinch Drive – noted.

10.4 Hedges/vegetation adjacent to Waltham Rd and Wargrave Rd. The Clerk has asked WBC to take action as they are causing an obstruction on the footpath.

10.5 Renewal of markings on the highway. Some information provided (see attached list). The Clerk to send out a reminder to all councillors asking for details of any they have noticed so a comprehensive list can be sent to WBC.

10.6 Councillor Keith Baker re top 3 Highway Requests- circulated on e-mail. Noted.

11. Correspondence -

Secretary of State consultation on proposed changes to the draft Regional Spatial Strategy for the South East. Details received on CD and as hard copy. CD taken by Mr J Jarvis and hard copy by Mrs Ditcham. Both to report back to the September meeting. WBC Places and Neighbourhoods Service Bulletin – circulated on e-mail. Noted.

12. Date of next meeting – Monday 1st September 2008.

The meeting closed at 9.14 pm