

BISHAM PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Council meeting held on 16th September 2019 at 7:30pm at Bisham Abbey.

Attendees

Councillors: Cllr Jim Cooke (JC) (Chair), Cllr Alan Keene (AK) Cllr Ged Wylie (GW), Cllr Mandy Robson Brown (MRB), Cllr Mary Cooper (MC)

District Councillors: Cllr Mandy Brar

Officers of the Council: Barry Malki (BM) – Clerk

Guest Speaker: Tina Donaldson, Environment Agency

Public Forum

One Member of the Public expressed concern about the impact of the temporary flood defence in the Orchard, on residents of The Green.

One Member of the Public asked about the clearance of the stream. JC advised that TD would be covering these issues during item 80.

One Member of the Public raised an issue with deer crossing the road in Burchetts Green and asked about the possibility of a warning sign.

One Member of the Public raised concerns about overgrown hedgerows in Burchetts Green, making it difficult to navigate the footpaths.

One Member of the Public complained about speeding vehicles on Burchetts Green road, often coming from the higher speed limits at either end of the road.

One member of the Public raised an issue with a marquee on the grounds of Hurley House Hotel which has been in place since May 2018, specifically mentioning the proximity to their property and the frequency of events there causing noise. AK responded that he supported the objections of the neighbours, and cited a rule that marquees are allowed for a cumulative period of 28 days throughout the year without planning permission.

ACTION – BM to report to RBWM to investigate terms of licensing for live events, and existence of marquee.

One Member of the Public reported that there was a strong smell of sewage close to Hurley House Hotel, and suggested there may be an issue with the drains.

Part One

73) Apologies for absence

None

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74) Declarations of interest

AK declared a personal interest in Application 19/02414

75) Minutes of Meeting Held on 16th August 2019

The Council RESOLVED to approve the minutes as an accurate record of the meeting of the Council held on 16th August 2019.

76) Matters arising

BM gave an update on the Action List.

Item 68 - AK reported that the new sign had been demolished

Item 145 – AK suggested that if the lights on the A404 are not a safety issue, then then it would be beneficial to residents NOT to have them replaced.

Item 170 – AK suggested putting SID costs into the Draft Budget for 20-21

Item 179 – AK gave an update on the meeting with the Public Rights of Way (PRoW) Officer. RBWM had made a decision on the route of footpath 13 based on the limited documentation available, citing that the legal route runs along the western edge, regardless of actual route taken. Any legal process would be lengthy and complex. AK suggested leaving issue to the Ramblers as they have significant experience in this type of activity. GW stated that it would become an issue if an incoming land-owner decided not to honour the agreement to allow the footpath to cross their land. PRoW will connect with the incoming landowner.

Item 180 – MRB suggested that letter to farmers was too confrontational and asked for it to be redrafted.

77) Planning matters

Appn. Date:	28th August 2019	Appn No.: 19/02182
Type:	Listed Building Consent	
Proposal:	Consent to replacement the strip lighting to the internal and external flank of the tower and to each side of the bridge.	
Location:	Bisham Side Marlow Bridge Bisham Road Bisham Marlow	
Determination Date:	23 October 2019	
CLLrs Comments	CLLrs object to the nature of the lighting, and said that it wasn't clear if the design was finalised	

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Appn. Date:	22nd August 2019	Appn No.: 19/02348
Type:	Discharge of Condition	
Proposal:	Details required by condition 2 (external materials), 3 (construction environmental management plan), 4 (biodiversity enhancements) and 5 (finished slab levels) of planning permission 18/03343 for a new four bedroom dwelling following demolition of existing dwelling and outbuildings.	
Location:	Timberley Grubwood Lane Cookham Maidenhead SL6 9UD	
Determination Date:	17 October 2019	
Cllrs Comments	Determined	

Appn. Date:	29th August 2019	Appn No.: 19/02285
Type:	Works To Trees Covered by TPO	
Proposal:	Yew - crown reduction by 1m (RP) Robinia Pseudacacia - crown reduce by 1m.	
Location:	Old Mill Cottage Temple Lane Temple Marlow SL7 1SA	
Determination Date:	24 October 2019	
Cllrs Comments	No objection subject to Tree Officer Approval	

Appn. Date:	3rd September 2019	Appn No.: 19/02299
Type:	Full	
Proposal:	Replacement first floor rear balcony balustrade.	
Location:	42 Temple Mill Island Bisham Marlow SL7 1SQ	
Determination Date:	29 October 2019	
Cllrs Comments	No objection but stated that the work should match similar recent works on the nearby properties.	

Appn. Date:	29th August 2019	Appn No.: 19/02322
Type:	Works To Trees In Conservation Area	
Proposal:	T1 Ash: Crown reduction by 10m leaving a final height of 15m and Various Fruit Tree's: Prune to previous reduction points.	
Location:	5 The Green Bisham Marlow SL7 1RY	
Determination Date:	10 October 2019	
Cllrs Comments	Cllrs asked that the Tree Officer be satisfied that the Fruit Trees are properly identified.	

Appn. Date:	4th September 2019	Appn No.: 19/02412
Type:	Listed Building Consent	
Proposal:	Consent for internal alterations including removal of partition walls.	
Location:	Bisham Abbey Bisham Village Marlow Road Bisham Marlow SL7 1RR	
Determination Date:	30 October 2019	
Cllrs Comments	No objection provided that Historic England are satisfied with the planned works.	

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Appn. Date:	3rd September 2019	Appn No.: 19/02414
Type:	Full	
Proposal:	Part conversion of the existing outbuilding to create x1 dwelling ancillary to the main dwelling and alterations to fenestration.	
Location:	Speen Hill Henley Road Hurley Maidenhead SL6 5LH	
Determination Date:	29 October 2019	
Cllrs Comments	Cllrs were concerned that there appears to be no history of the building, and asked that the planning stipulates that the new dwelling be ancillary to the main property.	

Appn. Date:	2nd September 2019	Appn No.: 19/02168
Type:	Cert of Lawfulness of Proposed Dev	
Proposal:	Certificate of lawfulness to determine whether the proposed temporary dome is lawful	
Location:	Longridge Quarry Wood Road Marlow SL7 1RE	
Determination Date:	28 October 2019	
Cllrs Comments	No Comment	

Appn. Date:	4th September 2019	Appn No.: 19/02410
Type:	Works To Trees In Conservation Area	
Proposal:	(T1) - Conifer - Fell. (T2) - 1 x Conifer - Fell. 2 x Adlers - Reduce in height by up to 2 metres leaving a final ground height of approximately 5m and prune remaining canopy by 0.5% leaving total width of 3 metres. (T3) - Group of shrubs, reduce in height by 2 metres. (T4) - Birch - Fell. (T5) - Prunus - Fell. (T6) - Willow - Reduce the height to previous cut points, approximately 2 metres, to give a final height of approximately 3 metres and remove the lowest limb overhanging the carpark. (T7) - Reduce the height of 4 x unknown trees by up to 1 metre, leaving a final height of approximately 3m and prune the remaining canopy by 10%.	
Location:	Rivermead Court Marlow Bridge Lane Marlow SL7 1SJ	
Determination Date:	16 October 2019	
Cllrs Comments	Cllrs were concerned about the loss of Tree Cover, and the potential impact on flooding. Otherwise, no objection subject to Tree Officer approval.	

Appn. Date:	9th September 2019	Appn No.: 19/02510
Type:	Discharge of Condition	
Proposal:	Details required by condition 2 (external materials) of planning permission 19/00555 for the construction of a single storey dwelling and additional car parking space following the demolition of existing dwelling and outbuildings.	
Location:	3A Waters Edge Marlow Bridge Lane Marlow SL7 1RJ	
Determination Date:	4 November 2019	
Cllrs Comments	No Comment	

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AK updated on Application 19/01126LBC, reporting that the satellite dish has been erected in the wrong place.

ACTION – BM to report to Conservation Officer

78) Highways matters

AK reported that Bisham Roundabout is overgrown.

ACTION – BM to report to Highways England

AK reported that the Local Direction sign on the Henley Road, leading to the A404 Southbound has been demolished. Cllr Brar asked for pictures to be sent.

ACTION – BM to report to RBWM

GW reported that the Road Sweeper had been through Burchetts Green following our previous report of issues.

MC reported that there were weeds growing in the gutters around Stubbings.

ACTION – BM to report to RBWM

JC reported fly tipping on the layby, south of Bisham Roundabout.

ACTION – BM to report to Highways England

AK reported that the historic Milestone on the A404 is overgrown.

ACTION – BM to report to Highways England

79) Parish land

AK suggested that the “wild flower” patch at the front of the Orchard was looking overgrown, and recommended revisiting the Orchard Management Plan

ACTION – BM to organise a meeting with Braywick in November

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80) Flooding

TD gave a presentation on the temporary Flood Barrier project, highlighting the potential impacts on different areas of the village, and the mitigation strategies in place.

One Member of the Public said that on previous occasions, sandbags had been slow to arrive, negating their effectiveness. TD explained that sandbag distribution was now a part of the EA's strategy, and sandbags would be delivered by them.

AK asked about the responsibilities of the EA operatives to liaise with local residents during deployment of flood measures. TD responded that Community Information Officers would be on site, likely during daylight hours.

GW asked whether it was possible to keep a store of sandbags locally to speed up deployment. TD explained that, as they were only ever used as an emergency measure, it was not something that would have permanent logistics or facilities.

Cllr Brar asked about people with mobility issues, or infirmity, and how they would lay sandbags. TD said that EA operatives would place the sandbags on The Green, in the event of deploying the temporary flood defence.

One Member of the Public mentioned that the cottages on The Green have no foundations, with water ingress happening through the ground, and asked about potential solutions. TD explained that any interventions have to go through a cost/benefit analysis before they can be developed.

One Member of the Public asked how long the stream has been under EA management. TD explained that the stream is classed as a Main River, and as a result has been in the EA's remit since 1996. The EA is responsible for management plans, but the land owner is responsible for maintenance.

TD explained that the EA want to work with the Council to make sure there is a management plan in place. AK explained that the council was very keen for this to happen and asked for specific roles and responsibilities. TD said that a Tutorial Team would be visiting the Council in August to clarify works needed.

MRB asked about what happens if a landowner neglects to maintain the watercourse. TD explained that enforcement can be costly, but the EA can put pressure on landowners to discharge their duties

81) Finance

BM gave an update on current financial position, highlighting that the Council had £10,138.19.

82) Community Infrastructure Levy

BM reported on a meeting with RBWM CIL lead officer.

83) Poppy Appeal

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Cllrs asked to be supplied with three wreathes; two infilled and one with a hollow centre.

84) Bisham Abbey

MRB gave a report on the disrepair of the Clock Tower.

GW believes that active work is taking place due to the scaffold around the tower. MRB had been informed that scaffolding was there for safety purposes, and the work would be done "at some point".

ACTION – BM to speak to Bisham Abbey for information about the Clock Tower works.

85) Correspondence

None

86) Information reports

MC explained that she may not be able to attend the White Waltham Consultative Committee meeting,

MRB reported that a parishioner had asked to see the Woodland Trust's Management Plan for Bisham Woods.

ACTION – BM to liaise with WT about attendance at future meeting.

JC gave a report on the land for auction on Temple Lane. BM reported that he had had several enquiries.

Part 1 of the meeting closed at 22.25

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Date Agreed:

Signed:

Position: – Chair/Vice Chair/Councillor