

BISHAM PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Council meeting held on 20th July 2020 at 7:30pm via Video Conference.

Attendees

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

Cllr Mandy Brar (RBWM)

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

Public Forum

No matters raised.

Part One

26) Apologies for absence

None

27) Declarations of interest

None

28) Minutes of Meeting Held on 18th May 2020

The Council RESOLVED to approve the minutes as an accurate record of the meeting of the Council held on 15th June 2020

29) Matters arising

BM gave an update on the Environment Agency regulations for launching boats onto the Thames.

ACTION – BM and DO to draft signage for Slipway

ACTION – BM to speak to BCA for an update on the consultation

30) Covid 19 Update

GW suggested that there would need to be an inspection of the playground, and a risk assessment, before reopening.

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DO suggested that a satisfactory risk assessment should be completed prior to a decision being made by the Cllrs to reopen the playground.

ACTION – BM to arrange site visit with GW and DO

JC mentioned the opening of the Icehouse, in line with Woodland Trust guidelines.

ACTION – BM to speak to Woodland Trust.

31) Planning matters

Appn. Date: 19th June 2020 Appn No.: 20/01456

Type: Full

Proposal: Single storey extension to the North East elevation/courtyard and alterations to fenestration.

Location: Bisham CE Primary School Church Lane Bisham Marlow SL7 1RW

Determination Date: 14 August 2020

Cllrs Comments

The Cllrs wish to object to the application on the grounds that, regardless of the size of the additional development, the Flood Area regulations should not be ignored.

Appn. Date: 29th June 2020 Appn No.: 20/01482

Type: Works To Trees Covered by TPO

Proposal: (T1) Beech - reduce 2 limbs by up to 2m at 20m high. (TPO 4 of 2008)

Location: 17 Bisham Village Marlow Road Bisham Marlow SL7 1RR

Determination Date: 24 August 2020

Cllrs Comments

No objection subject to tree officer approval.

Appn. Date: 1st July 2020 Appn No.: 20/01484

Type: Full

Proposal: New brick wall and trellis.

Location: 15 Bisham Village Marlow Road Bisham Marlow SL7 1RR

Determination Date: 26 August 2020

Cllrs Comments

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No objection subject to a satisfactory archaeological consultation.

Appn. Date: 14th July 2020 Appn No.: 20/01749
Type: Works To Trees In Conservation Area
Proposal: (T1) - Willow - Crown reduction by 4m to leave a height of 12m and spread of 10m.
Location: The Grange Bisham Grange Temple Lane Bisham Marlow SL7 1RS
Determination Date: 25 August 2020

Cllrs Comments

No objection subject to tree officer approval

Appn. Date: 2nd July 2020 Appn No.: 20/01594
Type: Works To Trees In Conservation Area
Proposal: (T1) - Beech - approximately 24m height reduce to 3m above satellite dish.
Location: Hideaway Quarry Wood Bisham Marlow SL7 1RF
Determination Date: 13 August 2020

Cllrs Comments

No objection subject to tree officer approval

Appn. Date: 2nd July 2020 Appn No.: 20/01644
Type: Works To Trees Covered by TPO
Proposal: (T2) - Horse Chestnut - approximately 23m high crown reduction by 3m.(TPO 1 of 1951)
Location: Hideaway Quarry Wood Bisham Marlow SL7 1RF
Determination Date: 27 August 2020

Cllrs Comments

No objection subject to tree officer approval

Appn. Date: 3rd July 2020 Appn No.: 20/01596
Type: Cert of Lawfulness of Proposed Dev
Proposal: Certificate of lawfulness to determine whether the proposed hip to gable loft conversion including installation of 1No crown roof dormer and 1No pitched roof dormer to the side elevation, 5No roof-lights to the side elevation and 2No roof-lights to the rear elevation to form additional habitable space is lawful.
Location: Pinkneys Court Darlings Lane Maidenhead SL6 6PB
Determination Date: 28 August 2020

Cllrs Comments

No comment

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Sphere of Mutual Interest

Reference 20/01352/FULL
Application Received Mon 08 Jun 2020
Application Validated Wed 08 Jul 2020
Address Orchard Corner Burchetts Green Road Burchetts Green Maidenhead SL6 6QZ
Proposal New detached outbuilding and alterations to the existing driveway and turning space, following demolition of the existing garage, greenhouse and shed.

Cllrs Comments

The Cllrs were concerned that the building could be used as a separate dwelling, which would have an impact on traffic movements.

Reference 20/01498/CPD
Application Received Wed 24 Jun 2020
Application Validated Wed 24 Jun 2020
Address Hill Orchard Grubwood Lane Cookham Maidenhead SL6 9UB
Proposal Certificate of lawfulness to determine whether the proposed detached garage and pool house with steps and a new boundary treatment to be used ancillary to the main dwelling following the demolition of the existing outbuildings is lawful.
Status Awaiting decision

Cllrs Comments

The Cllrs were concerned that the building could be used independently of the main dwelling, which would have an impact on traffic movements.

AK reported that there was a delay with the Hurley House application due to stiffing issues.

JC asked for clarification from Cllr Brar regarding the procedures for speaking at a Development Control Panel. Cllr Brar confirmed that the Parish Council would have a limited time of one minute, to speak at the panel.

32) Section 137 Payments

BM gave an overview of the S137 payment rules, with regards to reimbursing a local resident for hedge clearance along Bisham Road. BM highlighted concerns about setting a future precedent of making payments for uninstructed works, and suggested drafting and publishing a S137 policy for the future.

JC stated that he believes that the Council have a moral obligation to reimburse the resident on this occasion, due to the circumstances.

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DO suggested writing appropriate wording to include as an addendum to the Minutes, clarifying the Council's decision.

GW proposed paying the resident £100 for the cost of the hedge clearance.
DO seconded the motion.
The vote passed 4-2.

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ACTION – DO to draft addendum

33) Highways matters

MC reported that, due to overgrown weeds and hedges, parts of Henley Road are become impassable.

MC reported that the grass outside Stubbings Church, which forms part of the Tivoli contract for RBWM is still not being cut and asked that a reminder be sent.

MC reported flooding on Lee Lane.

MRB reported the appearance of several roadworks without prior notice.

GW reported that the 7.5 Tonne Weight Limit sign has been reinstated along Burchetts Green road, and this was having an effect on the number of large vehicles using the route.

DO reported that the one way pedestrian system established in Marlow as a response to Covid 19, does not extend as far as the bridge, which causes pedestrians to pass by very near to each other. DO suggested requesting Transport for Bucks to establish a temporary one-way system on the bridge.

34) Parish land

JC visited the stream and say the tree debris that had been removed by Braywick, and gave an update on the Environment Agency guidance for stream clearance.

GW noted that the Environment Agency stipulates that the stream should not be completely clear of vegetation.

BM gave an update on the Wild Trout Trust volunteer programme, which is currently awaiting clearance from the Environment Agency to begin work on the stream following Covid restrictions.

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DO reported that he had visited the stream, and the water appeared to be flowing well.

35) Flooding

No update

36) Finance

BM gave an update on the internal audit and the timescales for the external audit.

BM stated that the Council had £9331.69

37) Correspondence

See part 2.

38) Information reports

GW reported that the Police are investigating a series of thefts in the Burchetts Green area, primarily focussed around building works.

AK reported his attendance of a socially distant Local Access Forum meeting at Thrift Wood.

AK reported the death of a local resident who had taken part in the public forum on a number of occasions.

MRB suggested approaching Cookham Parish Council to join forces in the development of a Neighbourhood Plan. This had been suggested before but had been met with resistance. Cllr Brar offered to speak to the Chair.

BM reported that the Conservation consultant wanted to meet the Cllrs to discuss the format of the report.

MRB suggested using the format of the previous statement.

JC was happy for the consultant to present the information as they saw fit.

Part 1 of the meeting closed at 22:30

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Date Agreed:

Signed:

Position: – Chair/Vice Chair/Councillor