

4. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 12th July, 2010, having been previously circulated, were agreed and signed by the Chairman.

5. MATTERS ARISING

(a) Road Surface Noise – A46

The Clerk read a response from the Highways Agency, which set out the criteria to identify locations which would benefit by the use of quieter road surfacing

The A46 at Snitterfield does not satisfy the criteria and will not receive funding to progress noise mitigation in the short term

The Highways Agency will examine locations on a prioritized basis over the coming years, having regard to various criteria, including available funding

A site visit on 5th July, 2010 found the carriageway to be largely in good condition and there are no plans to carry out major resurfacing at this location

(b) Article 4 Direction – Conservation Area

The Clerk read a response from Mr. Tony Perks, Interim Head of Planning, addressed to Councillor Mrs. Hayter, in which it was stated that it was unlikely that the District Council would consider adoption of Article 4 Direction in the current climate. It was pointed out that it would be quite resource intensive to secure the Order and then to deal with subsequent Planning Applications, which would result (all without fee). In addition, house owners may well object to such a proposed Order.

The writer concluded that, at a time of financial constraints, there would need to be exceptional circumstances for such a proposal to get on the agenda

He suggested a discussion with Councillor Mrs. Hayter

Councillor Miss Kimberley expressed her disappointment with the response and said that she felt that Tony Perks did not fully understand the administration of the proposal. She urged the Council to pursue the issue further

The Chairman proposed that she set up a meeting with Councillor Mrs. Hayter and Tony Perks – this was agreed

(c) Road Markings approaching Bishopton Island

Councillor Mrs. Rendell reported that she had been in correspondence with Colleen Humphries of Amy acting on behalf of the Highways Agency on the issue. The response to the concerns expressed was that action had been taken to ensure that the faded road markings would be re-marked as soon as possible.

When the work is programmed, a review will be carried out to ensure that the correct markings are installed

Ms. Humphries undertook to pass on the concerns to the engineers for consideration as part of the review before any remarking

(d) Flood Alleviation

The Chairman reported that she had met with the constituency M.P., Nadim Zahawi. She had outlined to him the background to the flooding, the causes of the flood and the action taken to date

She had requested his assistance in lobbying the Environment Agency and Stratford on Avon District Council for funds to carry out the proposed work She said that he had taken note of the issues and he was very supportive He also undertook to consider the re-instatement of quarterly meetings, which his predecessor had with the Environment Agency and the District Council Together with Councillor Mrs. Hayter, she had also met with representatives of the Environment Agency and the District Council

(e) Possible Allotment Site

The Chairman reported that, together with Councillor Stammers, she had visited the site as outlined at the July Meeting

The site was completely overgrown and currently served no useful purpose. The area would be suitable for about three allotments

The Clerk said that he had progressed the question of ownership and was awaiting a response from the Housing Association

Councillor Miss Kimberley reported that she was in the process of obtaining quotations for the proposed work on the existing allotment site

6. FINANCE

Receipts

(a) M & G Investments	Charifund Investment Dividend	£85-46
(b) Geo. Clifford & Sons	Cemetery Fee (Taylor)	£65-00
(c) Bank of England	Treasury Stock Interest	£7-42

Payments to be authorized

(a) Thomgarden	Grass Cutting contract	
	(July)	£525-00
	(August)	£525-00
(b) I. Wilkins	Clerk's Salary and Expenses	£935-61
(c) HM Revenue & Customs	PAYE on Clerk's Salary	£204-90
(d) British Gas	Gas Supply to Village Hall	
	(Direct Debit) (July)	£178-00
	(August)	£178-00
(e) Good Energy	Electricity supply to Village Hall	
	(Direct Debit) (July)	£25-00
	(August)	£25-00
(f) Nildram	Broadband supply	
	(July)	£19-99
	(August)	£19-99

Proposed Councillor Mrs. Morlidge, Seconded Councillor Fitchford
'That the listed items be authorized for payment'

So resolved, nem con

Councillor Stammers raised the issue of broadband supply and suggested that a cheaper alternative supplier should be explored
The Clerk undertook to make enquiries

7. PLANNING MATTERS

Applications

(a) Mr. J.S. Bloor
Comyns Farm
Gospel Oak Lane

Retrospective application for rebuilding of workshop building as guest accommodation (elevational change and increase in height of 900mm over scheme approved under Ref 07/00889/FUL 10/01101/FUL

Submission

(b) Mr. John Huntington
Agricultural Buildings
To rear of Dove Close

Objection

Replacement of existing agricultural building (barns) stables and storage 10/01326/FUL

Submission

(c) Aspi Specialist Cars
Warwick Road
Black Hill

Support. The proposal is an improvement on the existing barn and will improve and enhance the area

Change of Use of dwelling house to form offices on ground floor with self contained flat over. Alterations and extensions to showroom and workshops and formation of hardstanding for display and parking of motor vehicles (some works retrospective) 07/03253/FUL

Submission

Objection. On the grounds that the development conflicts with the openness of the Green Belt. No special circumstances have been made out. The site has become over-developed

(d) Stratford Armouries Museum
Hawkswood Farm
Gospel Oak Lane
Pathlow

Proposed craft units building APP/J3720/A/10/2133961/NWF

Submission

Letter to Appeal Inspector stating that Council has reversed the decision to support the

Application. The Council now supports the reasons for refusal of the Application by Stratford on Avon District Council, i.e. that it would be inappropriate development in the Green Belt and that no special circumstances have been put forward which would justify the grant of planning permission. In addition, concerns were expressed about the potential increase in traffic movements on a road not suited for the purpose
In the event of a decision to grant the appeal, then the Inspector was urged to impose Conditions, as per the original submission

(e) Mr. R. Yendal
Woodcote
Bearley Road

Retrospective increase to ridge height of detached garage, first floor rooflights and change of fenestration in gable end
10/01543/FUL

Submission

Support

(f) Warwickshire County
Council
1 and 2 Heath End Cottages
Heath End

Internal alterations
10/01760/LBC

Submission

Support. Work only internal and minimal

Decisions

(a) As at (a) above

Withdrawn

(b) Mrs. Natasha Guest-Brown
Blossom Cottage
The Green

Retrospective application for erection of dwelling (Amendments to house design granted under planning reference 07/00820/FUL on 15 June 2007) including additional chimney, changes to fenestration addition of solar panels and dormer window
09/01309/FUL

Permission with Conditions

8. CORRESPONDENCE

Warwickshire County Council

(a) Upgrade of Public Footpath to Bridleway – Welcombe Hills

Noted

(b) Invitation to 'At Home' Drinks Reception – 25 September

No Member able to attend

Warwickshire Association of Local Councils

(a) Minutes of Liaison Meeting and Invitation to Meeting – 25 October
Noted. Clerk to attend

(b) Notice of Annual General Meeting – 27 October
Clerk to attend

Warwickshire Training Partnership

Seminar ‘Responding to Planning Applications’ – 2 October
No Member to attend

Tanworth in Arden Parish Council

Planning and Enforcement concerns
Noted. Decided to take no further action

9. ALLOTMENT TENANCY AGREEMENT

Councillor Miss Kimberley submitted an amended copy of the Allotment Tenancy Agreement for approval

She pointed to changes to the existing document, including the addition of Clause 5(g), concerning the maintenance of the hedge and paths bordering the allotment gardens

Proposed Councillor Mrs. Morlidge, Seconded Councillor Fitchford
‘that the amended Allotment Tenancy Agreement be approved’
So resolved, nem con

It was further agreed not to process the Agreements until the proposed work on the boundary hedge and allotment borders had been completed

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The Clerk reported that he would be on holiday on the scheduled date of the October Meeting

It was agreed to change the date to Monday 4th October

11. COMMENTS/OBSERVATIONS BY COUNCILLORS

Councillor Stammers

(a) Asked if a date had been set for the Gliding Club Planning Application to be heard by the Planning Committee

The Clerk said that no notification had been received

(b) Said that the grass close to the hedge on the Large Playing Field was not being cut

(c) Asked about the transfer of responsibility for maintenance of the grass verges from the District Council to the Parish Council

The Clerk said that he had been informed that the District Council had an ongoing contract, but he undertook to make further enquiries

(d) Asked that the road sign ‘The Green’ at the junction of Bearley Road be replaced

- (e) Said that the grass in Atteys Field was overgrown and needed to be cut
- (f) Said that a drain had been cut in Cedar Drive which allowed surface water to run off into the Cemetery, adjacent to the bench

- (g) Spoke of the Planning Application for the gypsy site at Black Hill and said that the applicant's agents had yet to resolve the Condition required by the County Council for a turning circle on the site

Councillor Fitchford

Raised the matter of application for a Road Closure Order on the occasion of the Remembrance Day Service

The Clerk undertook to follow up

Councillor Mrs. Rendell

- (a) Said that Lech Kocon, Planning Enforcement Officer, had corresponded with her about an agricultural building off the A46 near to the reservoir. The owner, Mr. Andrews, had stated that certain Parish Councillors had carried out an internal inspection. Mr. Kocon wished to verify this.
No Councillor had knowledge of such an inspection
- (b) Said that the requisite documents for Registration of the Village Hall had been sent to the Land Registry by Special Delivery
However, the Land Registry denied receipt of the documentation

Councillor Miss Kimberley

- (a) Reported that the lid to the rubbish bin in the Small Playing Field had been removed
It was also noted that the bin was not being emptied on a regular basis
- (b) Referred to the damaged fencing in the Small Playing Field
It was agreed to publicise the vandalism and the repair costs to Council Tax payers
It was also agreed to arrange for work to heighten the canopy of the tree

Councillor Norris

- (a) Raised the matter of the bench opposite the shop and asked what progress had been made on a replacement
The Chairman said that a bench had been selected, but the purchase had been delayed pending a decision by the Fete Committee on the wording of the inscription
- (b) Spoke of the suggestion made by Councillor Mrs. Hayter of a petition to resolve the situation of the Fox Hunter Public House
The Clerk said that proceedings were pending on the Demolition Order. Also it was anticipated that the owner would shortly submit another Planning Application

Councillor Mrs. Morlidge

Reported that there was evidence of moles in the Cemetery

The Clerk undertook to deal

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the Meeting closed at 9-50 p.m.