

## WANBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Planning & Finance Committee meeting held on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2019 at 7.30pm at Hooper's Field Pavilion

Present: Colin Hayes (Chair), Bob Biggs, Roger Whitfield, Joe Smith, Mark Simpson and Colin Hayes  
In attendance:

1. Apologies: None
2. Declaration of interest: Joe Smith declared an interest in planning applications S/19/0703 and S/OUT/19/0582 as he owns land within the NEV.

### THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED FOR PUBLIC QUESTIONS

*No public questions*

Committee members unanimously agreed to re-arrange the order of the agenda so that Joe Smith could leave the meeting prior to the items he has an interest in.

#### 3. To Consider Revised Planning Applications received:-

**S/19/0480** - Honeyfield Alpacas Honeyfield Farm The Marsh Wanborough - Erection of 5no. dwellings with garages, landscaping and associated works.

**Resolved:** Parish Council voted and agreed to object to the application, raising the same objections as before. In addition Colin Hayes confirmed that the application doesn't make it clear whether the additional section of land next to the new houses is within the application or outside the application.

#### 4. To review Financial Risk Assessment

**Resolved:** After a discussion committee members agreed to add one further financial risk to the schedule in relation to the cost of covering the work carried out in the absence of a Village Lengthsman. A revised schedule to be put forward for agreement at the next full council meeting.

#### 5. To review Financial Regulations

Committee members reviewed NALC's revised financial regulations and their current regulations.

**Resolved:** After discussion committee members agreed to revise Financial Regulations and to put forward proposal to full council for agreement.

#### 6. To review Parish Council's Budget & Spend for the 6 months to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2019

Council members reviewed budget and spend to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2019. Clerk confirmed that only area that might go over budget is the village maintenance budget, due to the extra work needed to be completed, but also the additional cost of using contractors in the absence of a Village Handyman.

#### 7. Hooper's Field Sport Facility Budget & Spend for the 6 months to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2019.

Council members reviewed budget and spend to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2019. A discussion took place in relation to installing water meters for each of the main users to see if this helps reduce the amount of water used, plus there could be a case to request a reduction in the waste charge. Action Clerk to research to see if this is possible.

Angela Raymond  
Clerk to Wanborough Parish Council

### Continuation of Agenda item 3

*(Joe Smith left the meeting 8.35pm)*

#### To Consider Revised Planning Applications received:-

**S/19/0703** - Land East Of The A419, Between Commonhead Roundabout And Land North Of Wanborough Road - The construction of a new road, to link the A419 Commonhead Roundabout to the proposed New Eastern Villages (NEV) development including improvements to the existing Commonhead Roundabout and Pack Hill, new junctions with Pack Hill, The Marsh and Wanborough Road, new footway/cycleway and associated earthworks, drainage works and landscaping.

**Resolved:** Committee members agreed to re-iterate their previous concerns with the application and in addition raise a request for Swindon Borough Council (SBC) to consider re-aligning the Southern Connector Road to Dorcan with a new junction southbound to align with the northbound junction onto the A419. This will then avoid the "High Value" archaeological sites. Commonhead roundabout is also extremely busy at peak times and a new junction at Dorcan will prevent this getting worse. The preferred route of the canal put forward by Wilts and Berks Canal Trust should be "safeguarded".

**S/OUT/19/0582** - Lotmead Site New Eastern Villages Wanborough - Outline Planning Application (means of access off Wanborough Road not reserved) for demolition and/or conversion of existing buildings and redevelopment to provide up to 2,500 homes (Use Class C3); up to 1,780 sqm of community/retail uses (Use Class D1/D2/A1/A3/A4); up to 2,500 sqm of employment use (Use Class B1); sports hub; playing pitches; 2no. 2 Form Entry primary schools; green infrastructure; indicative primary access road corridors to A420; improvements to Wanborough Road and associated works.

**Resolved:** Committee members agreed to re-iterate their previous objections and in addition to state that if SBC agree to the initial 200 homes off Wanborough Road there should be signage in place to ensure residents moving into these properties are aware that the access onto Wanborough Road is only temporary and that it will become a "bus only" route once phase 2 is complete. Sports hub provision has only been improved within the second phase; there is no provision for the first phase, therefore S106 contributions should be obtained for other local sports facilities within Wanborough which will have to be used by residents moving into the first phase properties.

*No further business meeting closed at 9.10pm.*