

WANBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Wanborough Parish Council held on **23rd April 2018** in Wanborough Village Hall, High Street, Wanborough at 19.30.

PRESENT: Mr C Offer (Chairman), Mr B Biggs (Vice-Chairman), Mr R Whitfield, Mr D Hayward, Mr J Smith, Mr J Naylor, Mrs D Stalker and Mr J Emmins.

In Attendance: Mrs A J Raymond (Clerk), 6 members of public and Mr G Sumner (arrived at 20.00) (Ward Councillor).

1. Apologies: Mr M Simpson, Mr C Hayes
Colin Offer confirmed that he has received an e-mail from Jim Sinclair confirming that he wished to resign as a Parish Councillor.
2. Declaration of interest:
David Hayward declared a personal interest in item 7.3 as he rents an allotment. John Emmins declared a personal interest on item 7.1.2 as he is a member of the Bowls Club. Joe Smith declared a prejudicial interest in item 7.5.1 as he owns land within the NEV.
3. Minutes:
Resolved the minutes of the full council meeting held on 26th March 2018 were approved and signed by the Chairperson as a true record.

Meeting was adjourned for Public Questions

A resident from The Marsh asked Parish Council if they can minute that there was no documentary evidence to support the objection to footpath 44 at their meeting in December 2017 and subsequently in their letter to SBC. Parish Council confirmed that they are happy with the minutes of all their meetings; these have all been agreed and signed off. Parish Council did have documentary evidence that was reviewed and supported their objection made on footpath 44.

A resident from The Marsh stated that at the last meeting Parish Council, it was agreed to hold a presentation to all residents on the Southern Connector proposals. Parish Council confirmed that SBC refused to attend any further meetings in Wanborough as they had already undertaken a number of "drop in" sessions at Hooper's Field. Parish Council therefore decided that as there would be no representation from SBC there was no point in holding a presentation, instead Parish Council distributed a newsletter to all residents notifying the SCR proposals and confirming how residents can send in their comments. The resident felt that a presentation to residents is still needed whether SBC could attend or not and asked if he could have a 5-10 minute slot at the Annual Assembly to present the proposals to residents as he is concerned that the full implications have not been made clear to residents. Colin Offer confirmed that he would include this within his own presentation at the Annual Assembly and there wouldn't be a need for a resident to do this. The resident asked if Parish Council would have any objection in him to arranging his own public presentation on SCR to residents. Parish Council confirmed that if he wished to do this then it isn't something Parish Council can object to.

A resident asked, in light of the recent planning application consent at Redlands, what traffic calming proposals and solutions have the Parish Council got to prevent all the additional traffic from rat running through the village. Colin Offer confirmed that as part of the Redlands application there are a number of proposals to help prevent rat running.

Joe Smith confirmed that a traffic survey of the village was carried out by SBC which includes a number of proposals which will be implemented.

(Gary Sumner arrived at the meeting at 20.00)

Colin Offer asked Gary Sumner to provide an outline on all the NEV proposals to prevent rat running through the village. Gary Sumner confirmed that the Wanborough Road will be narrowed in places. He confirmed that the priority on Wanborough Road will change and right turn will be required to the village, with priority given to traffic from the Redlands development. There will be a footpath and cycle lane along the edge of Wanborough Road from Redlands to the village, however the path from Redlands to Covingham will come later. Gary Sumner confirmed that included within the Redlands' application there is an amount of £8.5m included within S106 agreement and some of this money will be used for infrastructure improvements, including proposals to prevent rat running through the village.

A resident asked if Parish Council have within their finances a contingency fund. Colin Offer confirmed that they do. The resident stated that Martin Fry (SBC) has confirmed that the footpath 44 modification order is due to go to the Secretary of State in the next few weeks; has Parish Council put funds aside to cover costs if they are awarded against them as an objector and has an arrangement been made with the other objectors to cover their costs. Colin Offer confirmed that no arrangement has been made.

4. Report from Ward Councillor

Gary Sumner confirmed that the Redlands planning application was considered at the last Planning Committee meeting and he confirmed that he put forward a motion to approve the application. He confirmed that there are a number of additional conditions that he has requested to ensure all flood issues are dealt with and that the concern about traffic through the village is monitored; if it is shown that there is more traffic heading in the Wanborough direction than stated within the application then a no left turn from Redlands will be considered.

Gary Sumner confirmed that he has met with the owner of The Ropers and confirmed that a planning application should be coming forward on this soon.

Gary Sumner confirmed that he is currently looking at the parking problems at Warneage Green with residents and looking at options to help improve the situation.

Gary Sumner confirmed that he is working with officers at SBC on the Commonhead Roundabout and M4 Jnt 15 design; he stated that it's important that these two junctions fit in with the SCR proposals. Gary Sumner confirmed that at the moment SBC are planning for the SCR to be a single lane carriageway. He feels this is a mistake with the proposed amount of traffic that is likely to use the SCR and he feels it should be a dual carriageway.

Colin Offer raised a query in relation to the new footpath from Hooper's Field; he feels there needs to be a barrier as the footpath goes straight onto Rotten Row.

Gary Sumner agreed to take this up with SBC. **Action Gary Sumner.**

Colin Offer also stated that there is a problem with one of the signs pointing the wrong way causing confusion. Clerk confirmed that she has already e-mailed SBC on this.

(Gary Sumner let the meeting 20.45)

5. PLANNING

5.1 To consider Planning Applications received:

S/HOU/18/0563 – The Verne, The Marsh - Erection of two storey side extension and detached garage with home office above.

Resolved – Parish Council agreed to raise a concern that the garage is set further back than the building line for the houses in this area

S/HOU/18/0492 - Autumn View Kite Hill - Erection of a single storey rear extension.

Resolved – Parish Council raised no objection

S/HOU/18/0494 - Beacon Down House Ham Road - Erection of two storey side and rear extensions, a single storey front extension and a detached triple garage.

Resolved – Parish Council objected to the location of the triple garage as it isn't in keeping with the line of buildings along Ham Road.

S/HOU/18/0575 - Pond Farm Church Road - Erection of two storey and single storey rear extensions

Resolved – Parish Council raised no objection.

5.2 To notify the Schedule to the Permission/Consent received:

S/HOU/18/0237 - 50 Church Road - Erection of a first floor side extension.

S/OUT/16/0021 - Redlands NEV - Outline Planning Application for the erection of up to 370no. dwellings, a local convenience store/community facility, primary school, open space, landscaping, access points to and from Wanborough Road and northern site boundary and eastern boundaries and associated infrastructure.

5.3 To notify the Schedule of Planning Application that has gone to Appeal

APP/U3935/W/18/3197964 - Land At Keypoint Thornhill Road South Marston - Erection of a Renewable Energy Centre with associated plant, infrastructure, associated works and a B8 warehouse with associated plant and a vehicular access

6. THE GENERAL DATA PROTECTION REGULATIONS (GDPR)

- 6.1 Colin Offer confirmed that Swindon Area Committee (SAC) were due to have a meeting on the same evening (23rd April 2018) to discuss how Parish Councils in the Swindon area would cope with the appointment of a Data Protection Officer (DPO). Parish Council agreed to wait for the outcome of this meeting. Parish Council discussed new e-mail addresses for Parish Council and agreed to look into .gov.uk e-mails. **ACTION Clerk**

7. COMMITTEE AND REPRESENTATIVES

7.1 Hooper's Field and Recreation

- 7.1.1 **Resolved** - The minutes of the Project Committee held on 10th April 2018 were agreed.

- 7.1.2 (*John Emmins left the room while this item was discussed*) Parish Council discussed the Bowls Green maintenance. Parish Council have already agreed a 2% increase in the contract price for 2018/19, however the contractor is now stating it will cost an additional £450 to bring the green back up to a good condition.

Resolved - Parish Council agreed to pay for half the additional cost, with Bowls Cub paying the other half.

- 7.1.3 Parish Council attended an onsite meeting with Cricket Club on 21st April 2018. Parish Council discussed and agreed that Parish Council would arrange for the sports field to be rolled to help repair the damage from football, plus Parish Council would contact the Junior Football Club to confirm they should use other open spaces for training during the Cricket season. **ACTION Clerk**

- 7.1.4 Hooper's Field Open Day on Sunday 20th May 2018

7.2 Footpaths and Village Maintenance

- 7.2.1 Parish Council discussed and agreed the following quotes for village maintenance:- Allbuild – Power wash village gateways, signs and pavements - £265 per day, plus £100 for hire of jet wash.

Allbuild – To re-instate the entrance sign to Hooper’s Field - £200.

Ryan Carter – To repair the sections of Hooper’s Field driveway that have become raised - £320.

Ryan Carter – To trim shrubbery from footpaths at an agreed hourly rate until a new Handyman can be found.

- 7.2.2 Parish Council discussed an e-mail received from a resident in relation to the problem of litter and dog waste along The Hollow; she has put forward a few suggestions and confirmed that she has used temporary signage which, for a while, seemed to work. Parish Council agreed to look into more permanent signage.

ACTION Clerk

The resident also put forward a proposal to put up some information boards around the village (similar to those at Warneage Wood) providing information to residents about the area, along with maps. Parish Council agreed that this would be a good idea and suggested contacting the History Society to gain advice and suggestions as to what information could be included.

- 7.2.3 Footpath upgrade from Hooper’s Field to Church Road; two concerns raised by residents:-

- Safety of footpath from Hooper’s Field to Rotten Row – Clerk confirmed that she has today (23rd April 2018) received a reply from SBC which she will forward to all Councillors.
- The sign on The Beanlands pointing to “Church Road” is confusing – Parish Council agreed that they would like a second post at the corner pointing up Stanley Close to “Church Road”.

7.3 Allotments

- 7.3.1 **Resolved** - The minutes of the committee meeting held on 9th April 2018 were agreed.

- 7.3.2 Parish Council discussed two quotes received to install a fence and gate at entrance to allotment site. It was agreed to change the quotes to include a metal gate rather than wooden. **ACTION Clerk**

7.4 Wanborough Village Hall Management Committee

- 7.4.1 A meeting has been arranged for Tuesday 15th May at 19.15 in The Harrow for the trustees of the Village Hall Charity.

7.5 Planning and Finance

- 7.5.1 *(Joe Smith left the room while this item was discussed)* Parish Council discussed the NEV Transport Proposals including Southern Connector Road proposed junction layouts.

Resolved – Parish Council agreed that it is important that a cycle and footpath link from The Marsh to Commonhead Roadabout and Pack Hill is retained. Parish Council support the proposed junction layout on the SCR and Wanborough Road.

- 7.5.2 BT Community Fibre Broadband – Clerk has received a telephone call confirming that now they have received the list of interested residents they will look at possible costs. It has been confirmed that they will also be able to apply for the grant for the Primary School which could cover 75% of the cost (£30k). Clerk has asked if they will be able to attend the Annual Assembly on 14th May 2018 to present to residents; she confirmed that they will have a better idea by the end of April.

- 7.5.3 Community Speedwatch have carried out a number of speedwatch sessions over the last couple of weeks. Unfortunately after the session on Thursday 19th April 2018 one of the volunteers was threatened in the pub afterwards; this has been reported to the police and will be investigated, however it left the volunteer quite shaken up and as a result the session on Friday 20th April 2018 was cancelled.

- 7.5.4 The next NEV Liaison meeting is due to be held on Monday 21st May 2018.

- 7.5.5 Parish Council agreed to include the following on the agenda for Annual Assembly – 14th May 2018:-

- Defibrillators
- BT Community Fibre Broadband
- Committee reports from Hooper's Field Project Committee, Footpaths & Village Maintenance and Allotments
- NEV infrastructure proposals including SCR.

8. FINANCE

8.1 Payment Schedule for April 2018

John Emmins proposed and Bob Biggs seconded; Parish Council unanimously approved the payment schedule for March 2018.

8.2 Monthly Cash Flow Statement

John Emmins proposed and Bob Biggs seconded; Parish Council unanimously approved the Cash Flow Statement for March 2018.

9. CORRESPONDENCE

All other correspondence since the last meeting on 26th March 2018 was available at the meeting.

Meeting closed at 22.00

Date of next meeting Monday 21st May 2018