

WANBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Wanborough Parish Council held on **Monday 23rd January 2012** at Wanborough Village Hall, High Street, Wanborough at 19.30.

PRESENT: Mr G Sumner, Mr A Bennett, Mr R Biggs, Mr C Hayes, Mr D Hayward, Mr C Offer, Mrs K Pearson, Mr W J Smith, Mr B Suter, Mr R Whitfield.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs H Craven-Jones (Clerk).

1 Apologies: Mrs S Daltrey.

2. Declarations of Interest:

Mr C Hayes, Mr D Hayward and Mrs K Pearson declared a personal interest in agenda items 6.2, Footpaths, Village Maintenance and Allotments, if any discussion were to take place relating to the allotments, as they rent an allotment. Mr W J Smith declared a personal interest in agenda item, 8.6 Eastern Villages Working Party.

3. Minutes:

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 19th December 2011 had been circulated to all Parish Councillors.

The owner of Fairways, Ham Road attended the meeting in order to discuss his planning application S/11/1778/SASM – Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of replacement dwelling, attached double garage and associated works. He gave a brief summary to the Parish Council.

The proposal is for a high quality integrated family home, sticking closely to the existing footprint. Access and boundaries will remain completely unchanged. He has spoken to the neighbours and they are happy with the plans. The new build will be within the same lines as the existing building and the materials used will be in keeping with the surrounding area.

A resident attended the meeting and raised concerns over the increase in traffic (lorries) on the Wanborough Road and Swindon Skips storing skips at Redlands Farm. She objected to Joe Smith (Owner of Redlands Farm) being allowed to serve as a Parish Councillor and wanted to know what action the

Parish Council would be taking in respect of the matter.

Gary Sumner confirmed to the resident that Joe Smith is not in breach of any consent. Both applications S/LDE/11/1613/DD & S/LDE/11/1615/DD were discussed at the November 2011 Parish Council meeting. Having taken legal advice, it was confirmed that they are not applications but "Certificate of Lawful Development" (Existing) applications. The matter does not need to be considered any further by the Parish Council. Joe Smith has not done anything illegal.

Gary Sumner also confirmed to the resident that the Parish Council have reported the poor state of Wanborough Road to Swindon Borough Council and hopefully they will address this. The Village is due to have new speed and traffic signage in place within the next 2 months. Vehicle Activated Signs have been installed at 2 places in Wanborough in order to control speeding on the roads.

Another resident attended the meeting and asked why no financial records had been provided for the businesses that had been operating at Redlands Farm for 10 years. She informed the Parish Council that Swindon Borough Council had confirmed this. Gary Sumner stated that it was not for the Parish Council to consider and that it was not appropriate to raise this issue at the Parish Council meeting.

She also raised concerns about the Swindon Skip lorries going through the Village/on the Wanborough Road and the danger they cause to cyclists, walkers and joggers. Gary Sumner requested that she write formally to Swindon Borough Council with any further objections about Redlands Farm.

Peter Lawson from Turley Associates attended the meeting in order to discuss their proposal for the development of land to the rear of Stanley Close, Wanborough. Peter Lawson confirmed that no application had been submitted yet. Their proposal is to build 14 traditional 2 storey detached houses in large plots with double garages. The land at the top end of the site would not be developed and would become a "green buffer", adding to the existing open space.

John Easdon gave an outline of the work that would be done in order to address previous flooding issues.

Pedestrian accessibility would be improved as there would be a pedestrian footway from Rotten Row to Stacey's Lane. Stacey's Lane would also be surfaced. This would make more areas within the village accessible by foot. The existing ditches at the top of Wanborough, above the proposed land for development would be widened and deepened by 2 metres.

The Bund would be extended and a new large drain would be put into a new ditch along the eastern boundary of the site.

There would be an increase in the size of the connection pipe into the public sewer.

A resident raised concerns about the Bund being extended and how that is likely to affect things further down into Beanlands. It was suggested that the drains would be able to take an increase in diameter in order to cope with the flow downstream.

The drainage on Church Road is the responsibility of Swindon Borough Council Highways Maintenance. Taylor Wimpey confirmed that if the development goes ahead they would give Swindon Borough Council a sum of money for future maintenance of the drains on Church Road.

It was also confirmed at the meeting that a flood risk assessment would have to be submitted prior to any planning application being made.

Reference was made to the Flood Management Report and Kimbers Field not being able to deal with the pressure of water coming downstream, as the drainage does not have adequate sized pipes.

Taylor Wimpey confirmed that if an outline application is submitted, it will be done within the next 4/5 weeks. If a full application is submitted, it will be done within the next 7/8 weeks.

Just under 200 houses in Beanlands, Rodway, Stanley Close and Springlines received a leaflet about the drop in session Turley Associates are holding at Hooper's Field on Thursday 26th January 2012.

Concerns were also raised about access close to the school and that the development would only heighten the traffic problems in that area. Turley Associates and Taylor Wimpey noted that as this is already a traffic calmed area; they did not believe that the development of a further 14 houses would worsen the situation to any great extent.

Turley Associates stated that they would not fell the trees in the Open Space land at the top of the site.

Taylor Wimpey also confirmed that the development would take 18 months to complete.

4. Report from Ward Councillor:

Mr A Bennett confirmed the temporary road closures taking place within the Village over the next month – Pack Hill – 13th February to 22nd February 2012 and Callas Hill to Bodyhorse Hill, Hinton Parva – 27th February until 2nd March 2012. The Clerk has put details about the temporary road closures on the noticeboards and the Parish Council website.

Jackie Moyles, the new Localities Lead for the South area in Swindon is attending the next Parish Council meeting on 27th February 2012. Details of this are on the

noticeboards and the Parish Council website.

5. **PLANNING:**

5.1 To consider Planning Applications received:

S/11/1778/SASM – Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of replacement dwelling, attached double garage and associated works – Fairways, Ham Road, Liddington, Swindon, SN4 0HH – No objections. The Clerk is to request to the Planning Officer that that materials used are in keeping with the other houses in the area and that the replacement building stays in line with the existing building line.

S/11/1630/RM – Demolition of existing wooden workshop and erection of new – 1 Ambrose Cottages, High Street, Wanborough, SN4 0AG – No objections.

S/11/0836/SASM – NOTIFICATION OF REVISED PLANS

Contact House, High Street, Wanborough – Demolition of office building and erection of 12 no. dwellings and associated works.

Wanborough Parish Council received the revised plans on 4th January 2012 and have already responded to Swindon Borough Council. Wanborough Parish Council do not have any further objections to make following the letter that was sent to Swindon Borough Council in August 2011.

However, if planning permission is granted the Parish Council have asked for financial contributions towards a number of village/community based projects

S/12/0019/HECO – Re-thatch roof and erection of a chimney – Disney Cottage, 54 Church Road, Wanborough, SN4 0BZ – No objections.

S/LBC/12/0020/HECO – Re-thatch roof and erection of a chimney – Disney Cottage, 54 Church Road, Wanborough, SN4 0BZ – No objections.

S/TC/11/1562/RM – Replacement of the existing 17.2 metre slim-line lattice mast with a 20 metre dual lattice mast and siteworks – Telecommunications Mast, Wick Lane, adjacent to A419, Swindon, SN3 5JH – No objections.

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

S/11/1451/CLMC – Change of use from grazing/agricultural land to residential garden (Class C3). Erection of a fence – Land adjoining 52/54 Church Road, Wanborough, Swindon, SN4 0BZ.

5.3 To notify the Schedule to the refusal received:

S/11/1622/RM – Knowle House, 1 Ham Road, Wanborough, Swindon, SN4 0DF.

6. COMMITTEE AND REPRESENTATIVES:

6.1 Hooper's Field and Recreation:

Following the Hooper's Field Management Committee meeting on 9th January 2012, Colin Offer confirmed that Wanborough Cricket Club are starting a Junior Cricket Club this year. An enrolment evening for this is being held on Wednesday 11th April 2012, between 6.00pm and 7.00pm in the Pavilion at Hooper's Field. The cost to join will be £25 for the season, covering approximately 16 sessions. The sessions will take place on a Wednesday evening, starting at 6pm. The first full session will be on Wednesday 18th April.

Colin Offer is still in discussions with the Woodland Trust regarding the land needed for the MUGA.

6.2 Footpaths, Village Maintenance and Allotments:

Dave Hayward has applied for a "Jubilee Woods" tree pack from the Woodland Trust to mark the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. We will hear in 2 weeks if we have been successful with the application. The Parish Council will need to decide where to plant the trees, one of which will be a Royal Oak. This will be discussed further at the next Footpaths, Village Maintenance and Allotments meeting which takes place on 13th February 2012.

6.3 Wanborough Village Hall Management Committee:

The Village Hall Management Committee have set out their programme of fundraising events for this year. Some of the funds raised will go towards a new dishwasher which needs replacing.

6.4 Planning and Finance:

Nothing to report.

6.5 Civil Protection Emergency Group:

A questionnaire will be issued with the Newsletter in relation to this.

7 FINANCE

7.1 Financial Statement:

The monthly financial statement was circulated. It was proposed by Mr C Hayes and seconded by Mr B Suter that "The Financial Statement be accepted, the payment of accounts be endorsed and the bills for payment be accepted and paid, the petty cash expenditure for January 2012 be endorsed and the transfers to cover January

2012 expenditure be approved.”

7.2 Monthly Cash Flow Statement:

The monthly cash flow statement was circulated. It was proposed by Mr C Hayes and seconded by Mr B Suter that the Statement be accepted.

8. OTHERS

8.1 Transport:

The Parish Council were e-mailed details of the link to access the Education and Transport Policy, issued by Swindon Borough Council. Bob Biggs and Gary Sumner will submit a response prior to 28th February 2012.

8.2 Wiltshire Association of Local Councils:

Nothing to report.

8.3 Corporate Governance Review:

Nothing to report.

8.4 Grants:

Wanborough Church Flower Group have requested a grant to help them with the costs of the church flowers. The Parish Council agreed to give the Church Flower Group a grant of £150.00.

8.5 Flooding:

The next Flood Management meeting will be held on Tuesday 6th March, 10.00am at Hooper's Field. Further details about the flooding meetings and minutes from previous meetings can be found on the Parish Council website.

8.6 Eastern Villages Working Party:

The next meeting is to be arranged for early March. Road links will be discussed at this meeting. Updates following each meeting are provided in the Lyden magazine. The Core Strategy is likely to go out for Public Consultation June/July this year.

8.7 Newsletter:

This will be distributed by the end of February 2012.

8.8 Village Clean-Up:

This has been arranged for Saturday 21st April, 9.30am at Hooper's Field. The Clerk is to inform all Clubs and place details of it on the noticeboards and Parish Council website.

9. CORRESPONDENCE:

ITEM 2 – Localism Bill Information evening – Wednesday 22nd February 2012 – So far, Colin Offer and Gary Sumner attending.

ITEM 4 - COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY – PRELIMINARY CONSULTATION – Letter received from SBC

ITEM 7 – PLANNING/TRAINING SESSION – 24TH JANUARY, CIVIC OFFICES – Bob Biggs & Colin Hayes are attending this

ITEM 10 – Planning Swindon Together Event – 2nd February 2012 – Bob Biggs is attending this.

ITEM 14 – Letter from Chris Hinton to Head of Highways, re. state of the Marsh Road between Cauldervale/St Kathrine's and Midwinter's Old Poultry Farm.

ITEM 15 – Neighbourhood Planning and Community Infrastructure Workshop - 28th February, 9.00am to 1.30pm – 2 representatives from the PC to attend?

ITEM 16 – Community Safety Partnership – Week of Action - Visiting Wanborough on Weds 22nd February 2012 – Free bike marking service.

ITEM 17 – E-mail from Mr Selby to G Sumner – December 2012

The meeting closed at 21.35.

Date of next meeting is Monday 27th February 2012, 7.30pm at Wanborough Village Hall.