

WANBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Wanborough Parish Council held on **26th June 2017** in Wanborough Village Hall, High Street, Wanborough at 19.30.

PRESENT: Mr C Offer (Chairman), Mr B Biggs (Vice-Chairman) Mr D Hayward, Mr C Hayes, Mrs D Stalker, Mr M Simpson, Mr R Whitfield.

In Attendance: Mrs A J Raymond (Clerk)

1 Apologies: Mr J Smith

2 Declaration of interest:

David Hayward and Colin Hayes declared a personal interest in item 7.3 as they each rent an allotment. Donna Stalker declared a personal interest in item 7.2.2.

3. Minutes:

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 22nd May 2017 were circulated to all Parish Councillors. Clerk confirmed that she had amended the minutes to remove Mark Simpson from the Hooper's Field committee. The minutes were signed by the Chairperson as a true record.

4. Co-Option of Parish Councillor

Jim Sinclair introduced himself and said a bit about himself and why he wants to be a Parish Councillor. Parish Council unanimously agreed to co-opt him onto the Parish Council; Jim Sinclair duly signed the acceptance of office form.

Colin Offer welcomed Jim Sinclair onto the Council and asked if there were any specific committees that he would like to be part of; Jim Sinclair confirmed he would be interested in Village Maintenance.

Meeting was adjourned for Public Questions

*A resident stated that a footpath along The Marsh has now become impassable, as the stile is overgrown with brambles and footpath overgrown. **ACTION Roger Whitfield agreed to go and inspect footpath 9.***

*A resident asked why flood management is no longer on the Agenda and when the next meeting will be held. Clerk confirmed that there is nothing to report at the moment; Clerk has sent several e-mails to Richard Bennett at SBC but has not received a reply, plus he isn't answering any calls. Parish Council have therefore asked Gary Sumner to chase SBC about this. Gary Sumner confirmed that he would chase this up. **ACTION Gary Sumner***

5. Report from Ward Councillor

Gary Sumner confirmed that he has just received notification from the Planning Inspectorate for the Church Road planning application to confirm that the application has been dismissed. He confirms that this is really good news as it confirms that the argument of a shortfall in the 5 year housing supply isn't a strong enough reason to outweigh building on open countryside; it re-enforces the Neighbourhood Plan committees view regarding the preservation of the open space across the top of the village. Parish Council asked for a copy of the report. **ACTION Gary Sumner to forward copy of report.**

The education transport consultation closes by the end of the week, and this will then go to cabinet for a decision. Gary Sumner has no information regarding the response to the consultation so it will be necessary to wait and see.

Gary Sumner confirmed that he has spoken to SBC about the signage put around Swindon for the Hooper's Field fun day; he confirmed that the fine is £70, and

confirmed that this isn't just for the fun day, as it would apply to all events, so it would be worthwhile making the organisers of other events, such as Wanborough Show and May Day Fayre, aware of this. Clerk confirmed they are already aware.

Gary Sumner confirmed that all library services have been retained within Swindon Borough Council, apart from the mobile library.

Colin Hayes asked a question in relation to the outstanding drainage work at the Stanley Close development. Gary Sumner confirmed that SBC are moving forward with the enforcement and will be taking out an injunction against Taylor Wimpey. Clerk confirmed that SBC had forwarded correspondence, but the concern is what Taylor Wimpey have put in their letter in relation to the maintenance. Parish Council unanimously agreed to send a letter to SBC confirming that they give permission for SBC to deal direct with Taylor Wimpey in relation to the access to Springlines Meadow and it will be up to SBC to ensure Taylor Wimpey meet the planning obligation to maintain the ditch. **ACTION Clerk**

Gary Sumner spoke in relation to Wanborough JFC and the usage of Church Meadow; Parish Council confirmed that this will be discussed later in the meeting.

6. PLANNING

6.1 To consider Planning Applications received:

S/17/0984 - Fenny Compton & Herriefts, Ham Road - Proposed demolition of existing 2 No. bungalows and erection of 2 No. replacement dwellings plus garages and including a new vehicular access.

Parish Council discussed the application and objected to the garages being located in front of the new dwellings, as this is not in keeping with the linearity of all other developments along Ham Road.

S/17/0989 – Beacon Down House, Ham Road – Change of use of paddock land to domestic garden (retrospective).

Parish Council discussed the application and agreed that they raised no objection to the extension of the garden, marked on the plan in blue, and not the whole paddock marked in red on the plan, provided additional planting is considered to mitigate the impact on the AONB.

S/HOU/17/0762- Ermin Court High Street - Erection of a detached workshop and new access.

Parish Council discussed the application and had asked the applicant to reduce the proposed ridge height of the workshop and to use materials in keeping with the Conservation Area; subject to this Parish Council raised no further objection.

S/HOU/17/0810 – 4 The Witheys - Erection of a first floor rear extension.

Clerk confirmed that SBC had sent a notification confirming that this application doesn't require planning permission.

S/17/0479 - Land At The Junction Of Green Lane And Rotten Row And Green Lane And Burycroft - Re-instatement of hardstanding.

This application had been submitted by Parish Council.

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

S/HOU/17/0402 - 20 Church Road - Erection of a two storey side extension and single storey rear and front extension.

S/17/0322 - Great Moorleaze Farm The Marsh - Change of use of ancillary pool to swim school (Class D2) (retrospective).

6.3 To notify the Schedule to the refusal received.

None.

7. COMMITTEE AND REPRESENTATIVES

7.1 Hooper's Field and Recreation

- 7.1.1 Next Hooper's Field committee due to be held on Monday 10th July 2017.
- 7.1.2 Clerk had circulated a report from Bawden (sports grounds maintenance company) with their comments and recommendations in relation to the sports field. Parish Council discussed the report and were pleased to hear that the drainage of the sports field isn't as bad as originally thought. Parish Council agreed to gain quotes for the recommendations in the report, plus it was agreed that a five year maintenance program for Hooper's Field should be compiled in order to help with the planning of the future financial spend. **ACTION Clerk**
- 7.1.3 Bowls Green maintenance. Clerk has received a number of e-mails from Bowls Chairperson in relation to the bowling green maintenance; it has created a considerable amount of work, with the result that Bowls Club members have been changing the settings for the irrigation system, resulting in the bowls green being over watered.
- 7.1.4 A resident has asked if they can borrow tables and chairs from Hooper's Field for a private event on 22nd July 2017. Clerk has checked with clubs and Parish Council agreed to request a voluntary contribution.
- 7.1.5 Following an issue with the wedding booking at Church Meadow, it was proposed that a more formal agreement with Wanborough JFC needs to be agreed. Clerk confirmed that all football fixtures for league and cup matches during the normal season are available on the FA Fulltime website but there is nowhere for Parish Council to find information about any additional friendly matches. Parish Council discussed the problem and confirmed that Parish Council should be made aware of when Wanborough JFC are using the open spaces in the village and therefore agreed that this information should be provided to Parish Council. **ACTION Clerk to request fixture information from Wanborough JFC.**

7.2 Footpaths and Village Maintenance

- 7.2.1 To ratify minutes of committee meeting held on 12th June 2017. Parish Council unanimously agreed to the cost of the new bin for the High Street and the proposed new kissing gate at the back of the churchyard.
Dave Hayward asked why the two items he had raised in relation to footpaths and village maintenance had not been discussed at the meeting; after a discussion Colin Offer agreed to take another look at these issues.
- 7.2.2 Onsite meeting to look at the proposed diversion of footpath 25; Clerk has now submitted Parish Council's comments to SBC.
- 7.2.3 Footpath improvements as part of the Stanley Close development. Clerk has now submitted Parish Council's comments to SBC. Ben Adams (SBC) has replied stating that once they have feedback from the Conservation Officer they will be able to progress; the aim is for this work to be carried out in the current financial year.

7.3 Allotments

- 7.3.1 To ratify minutes of committee meeting held on 5th June 2017. Bob Biggs confirmed that allotment E5 is currently vacant and he will put an article in the Lyden to ask if anyone is interested in an allotment.
- 7.3.2 Covingham Library Trust has contacted Parish Council to see if allotment holders would be interested in supporting their event on 2nd September 2017. Bob Biggs confirmed that he is waiting to hear back from an allotment holder to see if they are willing to co-ordinate this. Clerk confirmed that posters will be sent to her to be put up at the allotment site.

7.4 Wanborough Village Hall Management Committee

7.4.1 Village Hall AGM held on 5th June 2017. Mark Simpson confirmed that he wasn't able to attend; he has asked Tessa Lanstein for feedback but hasn't received anything. It was confirmed that Jacqui Smith is no longer the letting secretary.

7.5 Planning and Finance

7.5.1 NEV Liaison Meeting held on 5th June 2017. Mark Simpson, Colin Hayes and Clerk attended the meeting. Clerk ran through the main points from the meeting:-

- Rowborough planning application has been delayed until October 2017,
- They are currently reviewing the S106 package for Redlands and the application is due to go to planning committee in September 2017,
- SBC have received a letter from Thames Water, which has been circulated Councillors,
- SBC are now stating that there is capacity on Wanborough Road for both the Lotmead application for 200 homes and Redlands application for 500 homes.
- The Green Infrastructure and Bridge Strategy are due to go to planning committee in July 2017.
- SBC Playing Pitch strategy is due to go out for consultation in the summer and it is hoped that Parish Council should see a copy of this by the end of July 2017.

7.5.2 S106 money from Redlands Development. Colin Offer asked for this item to be added to the agenda; Clerk has received a reply from SBC confirming the current position. Parish Council discussed and agreed to wait for a reply from David James at SBC.

7.5.3 SBC Junction 15 improvement meeting held on 24th May 2017, SBC's PowerPoint presentation circulated to all Councillors. Colin Hayes and Bob Biggs attended this meeting; they stated that they were surprised to hear about the amount of funding proposed for this scheme with only S106 money coming from the Coate development. Colin Hayes confirmed that they have since attended a separate meeting chaired by Gary Sumner, which representatives from Chiseldon and Liddington Parish Council also attended

7.5.4 SBC's Education Transport Consultation. Clerk has sent Parish Council's comments to SBC. SBC have replied confirming comments will be included in the cabinet report for members to view.

7.5.6 Outstanding drainage work at Stanley Close development. Clerk has circulated correspondence from Taylor Wimpey's Solicitor, plus correspondence from Janet Busby (SBC planning officer). This was discussed earlier in the meeting.

7.5.7 At the last Parish Council meeting Clerk circulated a Risk Assessment template to all Councillors. Parish Council discussed and agreed that a separate meeting is needed to discuss this; it was agreed to aim for a meeting in September 2017. It was also agreed to discuss whether there is a need to hold quarterly Finance and Planning meetings.

8. **FINANCE**

8.1 Payment Schedule for May 2017

Colin Hayes proposed and Mark Simpson seconded; Parish Council unanimously approved the payment schedule for June 2017.

8.2 Monthly Cash Flow Statement

Colin Hayes proposed and Roger Whitfield seconded, Parish Council unanimously approved the Cash Flow Statement for June 2017.

9. CORRESPONDENCE

All other correspondence since the last meeting on 22nd May 2017 was available at the meeting.

Meeting closed at 21.50

Date of next meeting Monday 24th July 2017