

BURGHFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Infrastructure Committee Meeting

Date: Thursday 28th January 2021 **Time:** 7.00pm

Place: Virtually via Zoom

Present: Mr C Greaves Mr T Ansell
Dr R Longton Miss M Cresser
Mr D Godwin Dr R Longton
Mr P Lawrence Mr I Morrin

Apologies:

In attendance: Mrs S Awberry 1 Member of the public

1.01 Apologies for Absence
To report, approve and record apologies for absence (and the reasons) from members of the Parish Council.

All members were present.

2.01 Declaration of any personal or financial interests
In accordance with the requirements of the process for dealing with member's standards matters, to disclose and declare all personal or financial interests including those of a partner/spouse on any Agenda item (as recorded in the Register of Member's Financial and Other Interests form).

There were no items upon the agenda that necessitated a member to declare a personal or financial interest.

3.01 Applications for Dispensations
To consider and grant any applications from members who may have a personal/financial interest in a specific matter under consideration.

There were no items upon the agenda that necessitated a member to present a written request for dispensation of a disclosable pecuniary interest.

4.01 Minutes of the last Meeting

The Minutes of the meeting of the Infrastructure Committee held on 26 November 2020 and the draft minutes from 7 January 2021 were confirmed a correct record and signed accordingly.

5.10 Clerks update

The Clerk advised that all items are being dealt with at the relevant point in the agenda.

6.10 Consideration of Planning Applications

- i) To submit observations on planning applications currently before the committee:

20/02569/FUL

Culverlands Farm, Mans Hill, Burghfield Common, Reading

Section 73: Variation. Condition 9 of previously approved application 19/02381/FUL - Alteration and extension to existing farmhouse and renovation of outbuildings. Demolish a number of existing blockwork and steel framed

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		structures on the site.
Parish Council:	Objections– members voted to see the variation remain. 6 in favour, 1 abstention, resolved by a majority vote	
20/03047/MINMAJ	Avago Lake, Berrys Lane, Burghfield, Reading	Section 73a: Variation/Removal of Condition 3 (Temporary Permission) of previously approved application 17/00851/MINMAJ - Construction of an acoustic barrier with access and ancillary works
Parish Council:	No objection	
21/00022/HOUSE	5 Hornbeam Pightle, Burghfield Common, Reading RG7 3YH	Single storey rear and side extension with internal alterations
Parish Council:	No objection	
21/00023/HOUSE	Ash Lee, Recreation Road, Burghfield Common, Reading RG7 3EN	Rear ground floor extension
Parish Council:	No objection 6 in favour, 1 abstention, resolved by a majority vote	

ii) **To receive and note any planning decisions received**

Appendix A – Planning Decision Notices

iii) **To deal with any other planning related matters**

a) **To give consideration to Regulation 18 Consultation on the Emerging Draft of the West Berkshire Local Plan Review to 2037**

Members acknowledged that due there being no housing allocation for Burghfield within the document, no further comments are to be submitted. Members expressed their support for the response prepared by the NDP group.

b) **To review the Waste & Minerals Consultation and determine comments for submission to WBC**

Concerns were raised in relation to both Waste and Minerals being contained within the same document, due to the strategy required for each. A request is to be forwarded to WBC for the two to be separated. Members determined that due to minimal impact within the parish, no comments are to be submitted in relation to the document.

c) **To receive an update regarding the development at Grazeley Green**

Members noted the outcome of discussions relating to the potential development at Grazeley.

7.01

To discuss the progress to date and future development of the NDP

Members discussed the future development of the NDP in light of the revised DPEZ zones relating to AWE. Cllr Longton advised that WBC agreed to cover the financial costs of a Referendum.

Resolved: The NDP are to present their argument at the next infrastructure committee meeting, with accompanying updated budget, for the completion of the project. The clerk is to provide costs to date from the parish council.

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8.01

Grit Bins

- i) To give consideration to the request for an additional grit bin on Clayhill Road

Resolved: To not provide a grit bin due to Clayhill Road forming part of the West Berks Council gritting route.

9.01

Transport

- i) To consider any Highway or Road Safety improvements within the parish

Concerns were raised in relation to the number of potholes and overall condition of the carriageway on the Reading Road, between the guide dogs and the roundabout. The issue has been raised with WBC accordingly.

The condition of the pavement on School Lane, between Birch Road and Clayhill Road remains an issue. The issue continues to be raised with WBC accordingly.

Concerns were raised in relation to the condition of Deans Copse Road and Amners Farm. The issue is to be raised with WBC.

- ii) To give consideration to the requests presented by the Methodist Church regarding their Car park

Members gave consideration to the requests received from the Methodist Church further to their agreement to open the car park for customers of the Nisa store.

Resolved: To present a recommendation to the parish council to provide a donation to the Methodist Church to assist with the purchase of signage required.

- iii) To consider the repair/replacement of Village entry signs

Members gave consideration to the replacement of the village entry signs.

Resolved: To request WBC replace the white gated entry points on Theale Road and at Trash Green.

10.01

Safer Communities

Policing & Anti-social behaviour issues

It was noted that due to national lockdown, crime remained low within the local area.

Street Lighting

To give consideration to the installation of 2 additional Street Lights at The Close

The additional 2 LED Street lights for erection within The Close have been ordered with SSE. Installation is anticipated within the next 6 weeks.

11.01

Parish Maintenance Issues

- i) To receive a report highlighting maintenance carried out during the previous month

The parish handyman has been undertaking maintenance identified within the parish.

- ii) Footpath opposite St. Mary's School

A request has been forwarded to Countryside, West Berkshire Council regarding the condition of the footpath, with a request for proposals for the overall improvement to the pathway.

- iii) To note any items within the parish requiring action

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No further items were identified for action.

12.01 **Environmental Impact within the parish**

To determine any specific actions to reduce the environmental impact within the parish

No further items were identified.

13.01 **Matters for Future Discussion –** Adaptors on streetlights for Christmas lights.

14.01 **To receive items for information only –** no further items were raised.

Conclusion - The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 20.05pm