

BURGHFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Infrastructure Committee Meeting

Date: Thursday 16th September 2021 **Time:** 7.45pm

Place: West Wing Committee Room, Burghfield Village Hall

Present: Mr C Greaves Mr I Morrin
Dr R Longton Miss M Cresser
Mr D Godwin Dr R Longton
Mr P Lawrence Mrs S Awberry

Apologies: Mr T Ansell

In attendance: Parish Clerk No members of the public
Assistant Parish Clerk

1.0921 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr T Ansell

2.0921 Declaration of any personal or financial interests

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

3.0921 Applications for Dispensations

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

4.0921 Minutes of the last Meeting

The Minutes of the meeting of the Infrastructure Committee held on 2 September 2021 were confirmed a correct record and signed accordingly.

5.0921 Clerks update

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

6.0921 Consideration of Planning Applications

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

No applications were received prior to the publishing of the agenda

ii) To receive and note any planning decisions received

21/01434/FUL GRANTED	Hillfields, Reading Road, Burghfield Common RG7 3YG	Erection of a temporary Marquee building to provide temporary office/meeting space whilst existing office space is refurbished and altered to accommodate Covid reconfiguration
21/01167/FUL GRANTED	Hillfields, Reading Road, Burghfield Common, Reading, RG7 3YG	Change of use of former accommodation block at GDBA Hillfields to office

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iii) To deal with any other planning related matters

7.0921 a) To receive an update from the NDP group and discuss future progression of the document

A PowerPoint presentation updating members of progress to date for the NDP was presented by Cllr I Morrin. (Appendix A)

8.0921 Transport

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

Members noted the improvements made to Hose Hill, expressing their thanks to WBC.

Cllr M Cresser enquired as to whether WBC had discussed the inclusivity of the recent Bus Strategy, expressing concerns that not everyone had been advised of the consultation and given access to respond accordingly. Members expressed agreement with Cllr Cresser requesting sight of the results of the consultation accordingly.

9.0921 Safer Communities

i) To receive the report from SMPC in relation to the proposed footpath between Mortimer and Burghfield

Members noted the report presented by SMPC for a proposed footpath between Mortimer and Burghfield. Support in principle, for the project was expressed by members present with 3 voting in favour with 2 abstentions.

ii) Policing & Anti-social behaviour issues

The police are working in collaboration with West Berkshire Council, undertaking door to door visits to establish any patterns of behaviour within the parish.
Anti-social behaviour during the early hours has been an issue at the pavilion during the summer months with bottles being regularly smashed. Residents are encouraged to report via 101 to assist in a building a case.

10.0921 Parish Maintenance Issues

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

The following items of maintenance has been undertaken by the parish handyman since the last meeting:

- *Hedge cutting can now resume following nesting season having finished, general maintenance items identified for immediate action continue within the parish.*

ii) To note any items within the parish requiring action

Cllr Awberry raised the overgrown vegetation at Burghfield Bridge. The issue is to be raised directly with WBC via their online reporting system.

ii) Footpath 11 & 19

WBC forwarded a request for a financial contribution for the potential upgrade of footpath 11 and footpath 19. Members determined that due to insufficient detail having been provided, a decision could not be determined as to whether the upgrade would present value for money. Members highlighted that the reserved infrastructure monies had already been allocated for the financial year.

11.02 Environmental Impact within the parish

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

The potential installation of PV panels on the pavilion roof. Members requested the item is considered by the Asset management committee.

12.0921 Matters for Future Discussion

13.0921 To receive items for information only – no further items were raised.

Conclusion - The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 20.31pm