



Whiteparish Parish Council

MINUTES of the virtual Zoom meeting of Whiteparish Parish Council held on Tuesday 30th June at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllr King (Chairman) and Cllrs Hayday, Palmer, Sutherland, Bishop, McFarland, Herrett, Randall and Francis.

In attendance: Mrs Maria Pennington, Parish Clerk. Unitary Cllr Richard Britton.
There were three members of the public present.

Public questions

A member of the public re-iterated their concerns reference Agenda item 7 To consider and agree the specification to the Parish Council boundary fencing and hedging at the north side of the recreation ground and wished to have on record their opinion that Agenda item 7 may involve a health and safety issue for their family. A written statement had been received prior to the meeting and circulated to all Councillors.

A written statement had also been received regarding Agenda item 9 Planning Application 20/04331/FUL Plot 3, Land off Forest View, Clay Street.

The Chairman opened the meeting at 7.37pm.

Apologies

124/20 Prior to the meeting apologies were received from Cllr Bell due to a prior commitment. Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to note the absence for the reason given.

Declaration of Interests

125/20 Cllr Randall declared a personal interest in agenda item 9 **20/03894/FUL & 20/04345/LBC Birchwood House, Romsey Road, Whiteparish, SP5 2QS** Demolition of timber garage and brick outbuildings, construction of replacement garage and store and ancillary accommodation as they know the applicant quite well and Cllr Randall also stated he will not comment or vote.

126/20 Cllr McFarland declared a personal interest in agenda item 9 **20/03894/FUL & 20/04345/LBC Birchwood House, Romsey Road, Whiteparish, SP5 2QS** Demolition of timber garage and brick outbuildings, construction of replacement garage and store and ancillary accommodation as they are neighbours.

Exclusion of the press and public. To agree any items to be dealt with after the public, including the press, have been excluded under the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 and Local Government Act 1972 ss100

127/20 Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to discuss item 18 following the exclusion of the press and public.

To receive written applications for the office of parish councillor and co-opt a candidate to fill the existing vacancy

128/20 The Clerk reported that no written applications have been received.

Acceptance of minutes of virtual meeting held 26th May 2020

129/20 Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 26th May 2020 and they will be signed by the Chairman when safe and practicable.

To give the Clerk authority to investigate the fencing believed to be erected on Parish Council land without consent

130/20 The Chairman reported that whilst reviewing the boundary of land owned by the Parish Council it came apparent that two fences may have been erected on Parish Council land. Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to give authority to the Clerk to investigate the fencing believed to be erected on Parish Council land without consent.

To consider and agree the specification to the Parish Council boundary fencing and hedging at the north side of the recreation ground

131/20 The Clerk advised that the Parish Councils legal obligation is to maintain the hedge and the fences. The specification the Parish Council sought quotes for is to reduce height of the vegetation to approximately 1.8m and to replace the 2 existing fences. We could see no other practical way to undertake our full responsibility. With 5 votes for, 3 against and 1 abstention Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED that the Parish Council reduces the height of the vegetation of the hedge on the northern side of the Parish Council recreation land to approximately 1.8m in height and replaces the 2 existing fences to comply with its legal obligations.

Planning and enforcement update

132/30, 10/20 The Clerk reported that planning application 19/09523/FUL Florence House was refused at the Southern Area Planning Committee. Unitary Cllr Britton was thanked for his support.

133/20 The Clerk advised she has raised further concerns with Wiltshire Council regarding the growing amount of planning applications where the applicant is given many opportunities to amend their application before it is decided by the Local Planning Authority (LPA). Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED for the Clerk to write again to the LPA expressing our concerns.

134/20 The Clerk has pursued Wiltshire Council enforcement regarding breaches at Trickys Paddock and enforcement have confirmed they are determining the appropriate form of action moving forward.

135/20 Cllr Hayday asked that as we are going to be discussing Plot 3, Forest View shortly and given that the member of the public is still present can we talk them through getting their sound working to see if they can unmute? The Clerk stated that this member of the public arrived late to the meeting. The Chairman refused this request as it is clearly stated at the beginning of the meeting and on the agenda that there is no public participation once the Parish Council meeting has started. Cllr Hayday registered his disagreement to the Chairman's decision.

To consider a response to planning applications received:

136/20 20/03894/FUL Birchwood House, Romsey Road, Whiteparish, SP5 2QS
Demolition of timber garage and brick outbuildings, construction of replacement garage and store and ancillary accommodation. Whiteparish Parish Council, with no vote from Cllr Randall, RESOLVED it has no objection however the Parish Council recommends there is a condition that the accommodation is ancillary to the main dwelling.

137/20 20/04345/LBC Birchwood House, Romsey Road, Whiteparish SP5 2QS
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138/20 20/04232/FUL Strides Barn, Goldens Farm, Common Road, Whiteparish SP5 2RD
Removal of concrete frame agricultural building. Replacement with three bay car barn with office space over (resubmission of 19/03707/FUL)

Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to comment: Notwithstanding the provisions of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 (or any Order revoking or re-enacting or amending that Order with or without modification), the car barn with office space above hereby permitted shall not be converted to habitable accommodation in order to safeguard the amenities and character of the area and in the interest of highway safety.

139/20 20/04331/FUL Plot 3, Land off Forest View, Clay Street, Whiteparish, SP5 2ST
Single storey dwelling. Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to recommend refusal due to:
Over development of the site

Whiteparish Parish Council objects to this application and recommends refusal:

- Over development of the site
- This is not a brownfield site and never has been a brownfield site
- It is changing the scene, appearance and character of this area.
- Clay Street is only a footpath. There is misinterpretation of the parking spaces – incremental parking will spill out on to the footpath and will inhibit access for emergency vehicles
- The proposed development is not entirely in the garden of Forest View - it extends the domestic curtilage out into open countryside/agricultural land including onto a site of a medieval drove road (document attached)
- We would like a condition that no development on this site can go ahead until permission has been obtained from the Secretary of State reference access over registered Common Land

In the unlikely and surprising view that the LPA is minded to approve, and not withstanding our objections, then we ask for the following condition:

- To apply and successfully secure permission from the Secretary of State for access over registered Common Land prior to commencement of any development beginning.
- All future permitted development rights are removed.

140/20 20/04092/FUL Blaxwell Farm, Romsey Road, Whiteparish, SP5 2RR
Proposed separate drive to approved barn conversion project (18/04085/FUL)
Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to make no comment to this application.

Finance update

141/20 The Clerk reported that the external auditors, PKF Littlejohn, have confirmed that the statutory requirements for the AGAR and the notice are required to be published on the Parish Council website, which they were from 12th June 2020, they do not have to be published on the notice board. PKF has also confirmed receipt of the AGAR which is in the queue for processing.

142/20, 101/20 The Clerk reported that the Barclaycard application for £1k was successful and the account is ready to be used. The signed direct debit mandate has been sent to Barclaycard and is waiting to be set up. The Clerk is endeavouring to contact the relevant department to request that the £1k limit remains and is not automatically increased.

To approve accounts for payment and to record the bank balances

143/20 Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to authorise payments totalling £1,181.51
Community Account Balance 30.06.20 - £54,925.69
Business Reserve 30.06.20 - £62,276.32

To review and approve the Financial Regulations

144/20 The Clerk reviewed the Parish Council Financial Regulations and has recommended they are amended to include the Barclaycard. Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to approve the Financial Regulations.

To review and approve the Home Working Allowance increase from £4.00 to £6.00 a week with effect from 6th April 2020

145/20 Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to approve the Home Working Allowance increase from £4.00 to £6.00 a week with effect from 6th April 2020.

To consider a response to an application to divert the footpath, Right of Way 8, which runs from Blaxwell Lane to Common Road

146/20, 106/20, 69/20 Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to not object on the proposed route however, if Wiltshire Council are minded to approve, we would respectfully ask that kissing gates are installed in the relevant positions in preference to stiles, making it accessible for more users.

To agree to produce a map for public reference indicating stiles and accesses on public rights of way in Whiteparish

147/20 Cllr Herrett shared a map he has been producing in order to provide more information about our footpaths regarding the crossings along them e.g. stiles and kissing gates. There is a photograph and reference for every crossing so this should assist when members of the public report any concerns with crossings.

Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to agree to produce a map for public reference indicating stiles and accesses on public rights of way in Whiteparish. Cllr Herrett was thanked for the work he has done to date.

Rights of Way (ROW) and Common Land update

148/20 The Clerk reported that there have been various concerns reported regarding ROW 20, 22, 23 and 30 and landowners have been contacted, along with West Dean 24.

149/20 The kissing gate at ROW 31 with ROW 4 has been reported broken and Wiltshire Council Rights of Way have been informed.

150/20 The Clerk has been advised by Wiltshire Council that footpath volunteering work is not allowed yet and when it is, we will need to follow the guidelines.

Highways update

151/20 The Clerk advised the street light at The Triangle was not working and has been reported to Wiltshire Council.

152/20 The Clerk reported that there are safety concerns over the road surface in The Triangle and Wiltshire Council have advised that it is delamination of the wearing surface and does not meet their criteria for intervention but they will monitor the situation.

153/20 The Clerk has received a report of The Triangle street nameplate being broken and she is liaising with Wiltshire Council.

154/20 The Clerk advised a request was made for additional signage at The Triangle and Wiltshire Council have advised it is not applicable.

155/20 The Clerk has received a request for a grit bin at The Triangle footpath with Dean Lane and is liaising with Wiltshire Council.

156/20 The Clerk has received many reports of over growing vegetation on some parts of the pavements and highway and residents have been contacted.

157/20 The Clerk reported that a HGV damaged telephone lines in Common Road which affected communications for some properties and the Surgery.

158/20 The Clerk reported, that after concerns were raised over the continuing night time A36 closure with the diversion via the A27 Whiteparish, Highways England has apologised and would be using traffic signals for the remaining few weeks of the work and will inform us in future of road closures affecting Whiteparish.

159/20, 110/20 The Chairman advised the highways works were carried out in Miles Lane at the end of May, and there have been various land ownership queries. The clearing of ditches is ongoing including the ditch which runs through the wooded area, for which there appears to be no landowner. The Parish Council is waiting for a response from Wiltshire Council Highways/Drainage and the Parish Council fears the road improvements that have been carried out may be wasted if the ditch is not continued along its length.

160/20 The Chairman reported he has received concerns of cars parking on pavements and it was agreed to include an article on this in Steeple and Street.

Correspondence/communications update

161/20 The Clerk circulated the update prior to the meeting.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.50pm.

The next meeting is to be held on Tuesday, 4th August 2020 at 7.30pm via Zoom (provisional)