

PULBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL

A meeting of the Planning & Services Committee was held at the Sports Pavillion on Thursday, 1st June 2006 at 7.30 pm.

PRESENT: Mrs H Black (Chairman)
Mr D Boulton
Mrs J Botting
Mrs C Barnett
Mr J Dension
Mrs A Lawson

District Councillor: Mr B Donnelly

In Attendance: Eight members of the public were present.

1. WELCOME

The Chairman, Mrs H Black welcomed the public to this her first meeting as a member and Chairman of the Committee.

2. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE

No apology was received.

3. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Mrs A Lawson declared an interest in applications DC/06/0846 and DC/06/1251 and being a Nutbourne resident.

Mrs H Black declared an interest as Chairman of the Village Hall Trustees should any matter be raised.

Mrs J Botting declared an interest in application DC/06/1251

4. MINUTES

RESOLVED: that the Minutes of the Meeting held on 4th May 2006 be received and signed subject to the following amendments:

- (i) Councillor B Donnelly's name misspelt;
- (ii) Minute 5(c) to be amended to read:...'that footpath 2330 east of Sopers Cottages required up-grading and, the stream west of the bridge in Pocket Park required tidying-up.'

5. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

6. PUBLIC SPEAKING

Having given formal notice, Mr Hill was invited to speak for two minutes relating to his planning applications under consideration for Valentines Barn, Old Place, Pulborough.

7. Nutbourne – 20 mph Speed Limit and Signing

The meeting was attended by Mr Roger Harper, a Senior Engineer of the Highways and Transport Department of West Sussex County Council who was part of a team reviewing some 330 sites within the County that may benefit from a Traffic Programme. The scheme proposed for Nutbourne had been before a Speed Limit Review Panel, which had involved consultation with all interested bodies including the local residents and the Parish Council. As the average speed for Nutbourne was 20 mph that this scheme, which included substantial up grading of signage, would be appropriate. He added that the Parish Council's response had been that it did not support the 20 mph limited and that 30 mph would be more appropriate. Also, the draft Nutbourne Village Design Statement indicated some support for a speed limited.

Mr Harper informed the Committee was informed that he had received further correspondence from local residents and the VDS relating to the signage and therefore, asked that the matter be deferred until he had had an opportunity to discuss matters further.

Mrs Jan Botting reported that it was inaccurate to say the Parish Council wanted a 30 mph speed restriction, it was only suggested to qualify the proposal. The Parish Council was also greatly concerned at the proposed proliferation of 20-mph signs that would be painted on the road in a conservation area.

Mr Harper indicated with photos, the sites where new signs would be erected and, in some areas, the removal of signs and, in view of the Parish Council's strong concerns about the scheme reiterated his request for a deferment.

RESOLVED: that the Nutbourne – 20 mph Speed Limit and Signage Scheme be referred to the full Council for further consideration.

8. Nutbourne Village Design Statement (Draft)

The Committee received the response of the Nutbourne Residents VDS Steering Group to the Parish Council's comments to the draft Nutbourne VDS.

In response to the Groups' comment that it had felt the Parish Council had misunderstood some of the proposals, Mrs J Botting reported that it had been considered some of the statements made in the document were quite sweeping and generalised. The Parish Council was therefore only offering alternative suggestions for those statements.

The Committee agreed that it looked forward to received the revised Nutbourne Village Design Statement.

9. **Statement of Community Involvement (SCI): First Review Preferred Option**

The Committee received the draft First Review of the SCI and the Chairman agreed to consider the document which was the result of the decision of the County Council to discontinue preparation of the Waste Local Plan and the Minerals Plan Document and to prepare new development plan documents.

10. **Western Streams Catchment Flood management Plan (CFMP)**

The Committee noted that consultation on the Plan had been delayed until June at the earliest.

11. **Horsham Museum**

Mr J Denison agreed to represent the Parish Council in Horsham Museum's initiative of creating a 'heritage walk'.

12. **South East Plan**

The Committee noted that the County Council was setting up new Waste Area Forums and the Chairman agreed to represent the Parish Council at the first south-east Forum on Wednesday, 21st June at Steyning.

13. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The Committee received the following planning applications:

DC/06/1076 – Middle Mare Cottage, Middle Mare Lane

Proposed single storey side extension, entrance lobby/utility room, rear conservatory, mezzanine floor to garage and dormer windows.

NO OBJECTION

DC/06/1245- Former Pumping Station, off Nutbourne Road

Proposed demolition of water holding tanks, retention of existing building and refurbishment to form B1 & B2 Business Use.

NO OBJECTION. Parish Council expressed concern about the access road.

DC/06/1077 – 6 Glebelands, Pulborough

Proposed single storey front extension.

NO OBJECTION

DC/06/1103 – Barn House Surgery, Barn House Close, Pulborough

Proposed demolition of existing building.

APPROVE

DC/06/1130 – Unit 1, Haybourne Old Farm, Lee Place, Blackgate Lane

Proposed re clad barn with agricultural box profile, steel cladding (walls only), new access door and new roller doors to replace existing.

APPROVE

DC/06/1162 & DC/06/1169 – Hobbs Cottage, The Street, Nutbourne

Proposed erection of conservatory to rear elevation of property and Listed Building Consent.

APPROVE

DC/06/1174 – Anchorage Bungalow, Coombelands Lane, Pulborough

Proposed demolition of existing garage, new single storey extension comprising swimming pool; new two-storey extension comprising new garage, den, utility, kitchen, three bedrooms and loft accommodation over; adaptations to existing including new loft accommodation.

The Parish Council OBJECT to this application as it is considered an over development of the site.

DC/06/1173 & DC/06/1177– Old Valentines Barn, Old Place, Pulborough

Proposed extension of rafter feet on main barn and regularisation of residential conversion works (excluding mahogany window and door openings and additional first floor space that are the subject of a separate Listed Building Consent) and Listed Building Consent.

NO OBJECTION

DC/06/1178 – Old Valentines Barn, Old Place, Pulborough

Listed Building Consent for the retention of mahogany windows and doors and additional first floor area.

NO OBJECTION

DC/06/1199 – Middle Mare Cottage, West Mare Lane, Pulborough

Proposed single storey extension, conservatory and refurbishment works.

NO OBJECTION

DC/06/1233 – 21 Glebelands, Pulborough

Proposed kitchen extension and new dining and utility area.

NO OBJECTION

DC/06/0846 – Stream Lane, Nutbourne

Notification of an application received from EDF Energy Networks for an existing low voltage overhead line to be replaced with a covered conductor and one additional pole.

NOTED

DC/06/1266 – Killybegs Cottage, Broomers Hill Lane, Pulborough

Proposed replacement of double garage on drive.

The Parish Council raises NO OBJECTION to the application but would be grateful if you could advise whether permission has been granted for the new access to the site.

DC/06/0906 – Fawley, Marehill Common, Pulborough

Extension alteration.

APPROVE

DC/06/1251 – Twyford, The Street, Nutbourne

Rear Kitchen extension with room over, additional dormers, demolition of existing garage buildings and construction of new garage with bedrooms over.

APPROVE

14. TREES

DC/06/1221 – 4 Chestnut Walk, Pulborough

Application to fell one oak tree as it is considered the tree is suffering from rot at the base and potentially unsafe.

NO OBJECTION

DC/05/3015 – 63 Chestnut Walk, Pulborough

Notification received that the felling of a sycamore tree on safety grounds has been granted.

NOTED

15. PLANNING APPLICATIONS DECISIONS

The Chairman reported the decisions received including the Unilateral Undertaking entered into relating to DC/06/0540 – Wilhaven, The Street, Nutbourne.

16. ADDITIONAL ITEMS

Statement of Community Involvement (SCI)

The Committee received the SCI document and the Chairman agreed to consider the document.

Scots Pine, Church Hill, Pulborough

The Committee received the inspection report of the County Arboriculturist on the Scots Pine sited on Church Hill and noted that it appeared to be generally sound and stable. There was no evidence of structural weakness/basal movement when viewed during a strong wind (19th May 2006). It was agreed that this report should be included in the Newsletter.

17. DISTRICT COUNCILLOR REPORT

Mr B Donnelly reported that District Councillor Roger Paterson had been appointed the Vice-Chairman of Horsham District Council and therefore, in future, would be able to attend the Parish Council's full Council meetings.

Mr Donnelly reported that he had been appointed Chairman of Horsham DC Licensing Committee.

18. PAYMENTS

RESOLVED: that the following payments be made and cheques drawn:

EDF Energy	£139.80
Pulborough Social Centre	£55.70
Wightman & Parrish	£18.39
Candela Consulting Ltd	£258.50
Arun Mowers	£19.98
J Radley	£58.75
Allianz Cornhill	£3,135.46
J Radley	£221.65

19. CORRESPONDENCE

- (a) The Committee noted the County Council Parking Places & Traffic Regulation Order 2006 and that it was a consolidation of existing Orders in the parish.
- (b) The Committee noted the representations received from local residents concerning the Parish Council's decision at the last meeting to raise no objection to planning application DC/06/1041 – Land at Longlands, West Chiltington Road.
- (c) The Committee received the notification from Horsham District Council relating to DC/06/0395 – Installation of a 17 metre high telecommunications mast at Coombelands Lane, Pulborough.
- (d) The Committee noted that Southern Water were to carry out essential construction work at the Pulborough Wastewater Treatment Works.
- (e) Notice of Appeal was received relating to DC/05/2367 on the variation of Condition 5 of planning permission DC/04/1256 at 19 Swan Corner.
- (f) The Committee noted that permission had been given by Horsham District Council to fell two trees at The Old Manor, Nutbourne.
- (g) The Chairman reported that notification had been received from Martin Critchell, Architects, that planning applications DC/06/0856 & 0884 for shops and flats at Ransoms, Swan Corner, Pulborough, had been withdrawn.

20. URGENT MATTERS RAISED BY COUNCILLORS

Mrs Jan Botting reported that she had been asked by Mr R Aylott to report that a Community Research Project was being set up into The Moat and funding would be sought.

Mrs Botting also reminded the Committee that Members had asked for a meeting with the Traders Group and gave a date. However, the Committee felt an invitation should be given to Councillor L Ampstead, as Chairman of the Traders Group, to give a presentation at the next full Council meeting on 22nd June 2006.

Mrs C Barnett reported that there were grassed areas of the former Green near The Moat, Link Drive which was in need of attention and Mr D Boulton reported this also applied to the footway off Link Lane. The Clerk was asked to report these problems to Horsham District Council.

The meeting closed at 9.50 pm

..... Chairman

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