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Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning, Environment and Highways Committee held on 12th November 2018

Present Jane Hartley (Chair), Claire Andersen, Jackie Jeffery and Daljit Ryatt

14/18 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE -

- 15/18 OPEN FORUM There were no residents present APPROVAL OF MINUTES – The minutes of 8th October were approved
- 16/18 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND ANY WRITTEN REQUESTS FOR PECUNIARY INTERESTS IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE CLERK – There were no declarations of interest

17/18 Highways

The clerk reported that a WBC team had attended Kilowna Close to try to sort out the flooding issues and the residents are hoping the problem has been sorted out.

18/18 Environment

It was noted that WBC are hoping to site a bottle bank on the layby opposite The Homestead. The clerk was asked to contact Simon Bartlam to see when the cattle will be returned to their winter grazing, and to see whether Council could renew the quarterly meetings that used to take place with the countryside service regarding the Country Park and the Meadows.

19/18 Planning

a) The following Planning Application was considered (227)

- 182768 Application for the proposed conversion of existing garage to create habitable accommodation at 41 East Park Farm Drive no Parish Council comment
- 180609 Full application for the proposed erection of a replacement dwelling with integrated garage, following demolition of existing bungalow, store and detached garage, plus relocation of vehicular access and associated landscape works at Thatchers Mead, Thames Drive – The Clerk was to comment that the residents' concerns about the bridge needed to be considered
- 182810 Application for the proposed two storey rear extension and extension to front porch including fenestration at 18 East Park Farm Drive no Parish Council comment

b) The following approvals were noted

- 182319 Householder application for the proposed conversion of existing garage loft to create habitable accommodation at 52 The Hawthorns
- 182373 Householder application for the proposed erection of single storey rear extension to The Shrubbery, Milestone Avenue
- 182294 Full Planning permission for the temporary change of use of land for use as a construction compound (two years), incorporating vehicular access and the erection of fence, 2 x portacabin offices, and 3 x storage containers (part retrospective) on Land South of Waingels Road

c) The following refusal was noted

- 182539 Certificate of lawful development application for the proposed erection of part single, part two storey rear extension to dwelling plus part conversion of existing garage to create habitable accommodation at 20 Gingells Farm Road
- * Copies attached and/or forwarded

d) The following Tree Preservation Order decision was noted

- 182375 To note that this application for works to protected trees at 48 Park View Drive North was a split decision
- e) <u>To note any new information on the Local Plan Update</u> The consultation will run from 12th Nov to 15th February 2019. There will be various public meetings, the closest being the one in Loddon Hall on 10th January. The consultation is on-line and is for both residents and parishes. Cllr Hartley felt that WBC did not think parishes were passing on information properly so seemed to be trying to by-pass parishes and appealing to residents directly. She was more convinced of the need for a Neighbourhood Plan so that there is more influence on what is built and where. She also felt that the parishes needed to push for serious consideration of improved infrastructure even though the consultation was predominantly about housing. The clerk was asked to keep up to date with any new sites that may be put forward in the parish.
- f) To consider three priorities for Charvil Parish from the areas covered in the Borough Plan – Three priorities were infrastructure and safe routes for cyclists, social issues to deal with loneliness and housing.
- g) <u>To consider writing a letter expressing concern at the communication between</u> <u>the Planning Department and the Parish Council</u> – There have been several issues with the Planning Department that have caused concern, most recently not being informed of a planning application to extend the use of the field on Waingels Road as a works compound. The clerk will draft a letter and will send round for approval before sending.

Any other Planning business at the discretion of the Chairman

- 20/18 Issues overlapping with Amenities Committee There was nothing to report
- 21/18 <u>To consider the proposed long-term vision of this Committee and the draft</u> <u>document laying out the priorities</u> – Committee members will bring back any further ideas to the next meeting

The meeting closed at 9pm