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**Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning, Environment and Highways Committee held on**  
**5th October 2020 via Zoom**

**Present** Jane Hartley, Claire Andersen (acting Chair), and Mike Heath

**Apologies** Roanna Collis

**Absent**

**136/20 OPEN FORUM** - There were no residents present

**137/20 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND ANY WRITTEN REQUESTS FOR PECUNIARY INTERESTS IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE CLERK** -  
There were no interests declared

**138/20 The Minutes of the Meeting on 7th September 2020** were approved.

**139/20 Highways**

Cllr Andersen had been in touch with Reading Cycle Campaign regarding the state of the cycle paths, and they are happy to meet with us. WBC must conduct a survey to see if there are works that need doing before anything can happen. RCC are in active talks with the Lead on Highways at the Borough Council and are supporting the Wokingham Active Travel Campaign.

It was noted that there are still repairs to be done on the A4 crossing but the lights are currently working.

**140/20 Environment**

The issue of dog fouling on the pitches at East Park Farm was discussed, and it was decided to take a recommendation to Full Council to promote keeping dogs on leads around the pitches, and to try to promote this through the school.

The Veteran Tree Association wants to plant a disease resistant elm somewhere in the Borough to celebrate 30 years of tree wardens, and it was decided that East Park farm was a suitable location. Cllr. Andersen was to ask the tree warden to write something in support of this location.

**141/20 Planning**

a) **The following Applications were discussed (246)**

202266 Householder application for proposed erection of a first-floor side extension and a single storey rear extension including the insertion of 4no. roof lights at 23 Thornbers Way – no Parish Council comment

202502 Householder application for the proposed erection of a two-storey front extension, part single storey, part two storey side/rear extension, single storey side extension to create garage, plus the insertion of 7no. roof lights, following demolition of existing garage, dining room and family room at 3, Strathmore Drive – the Clerk was asked to comment as follows:

*Charvil Parish Council have the following concerns about this application:*

- 1. This would appear to be over-development of the site and out of keeping with the street scene.*
- 2. It creates a massing effect on a road that is characterised by its low density and as such is overbearing.*

b) **The following Planning Application Approvals were noted**

201887 Householder application for proposed erection of a single storey rear extension following the demolition of existing conservatory at 103 East Park Farm Drive

- 201928 Householder application for the proposed erection of a single storey front extension to form a porch with canopy roof and 1 no. rooflight, a first floor front extension and a first floor rear extension with 2 no. rooflights and Juliet balcony, plus removal of 1 no. chimney at 17 Charvil House Road
- c) The following Planning refusal was noted
- 201525 Householder application for proposed erection of a detached double storey garage with 4no. roof lights and first floor habitable accommodation at Ashley View, Beggars Hill Road
- d) The following TPO works application was noted
- 202478 APPLICATION FOR WORKS TO PROTECTED TREE(S) TPO 1137/2006, T11 Walnut - Remove the large lower horizontal branch which has naturally broken and fallen from the tree but is still connected at 42 Park View Drive North
- e) The following application Withdrawal was noted
- 201429 Full application for the proposed extension of existing dropped kerb on Land adjacent to 111 Old Bath Road
- f) The committee were happy for the draft White Paper comments to be submitted for approval by Full Council

**Any other Planning business at the discretion of the Chairman**

**Items for Consideration**

- 142/20 To consider and changes to the Objectives Document** – Cllr. Hartley ran through the objectives and various topics on them to bring Cllr. Heath up to speed. There was some discussion about the signage in the Country Park, and the clerk has been asked to find out how much the signs might cost.
- The meeting closed at 9pm