

Minutes of the Woolaston Parish Council Planning &
Development Control Committee.
Held on Thursday 15th May at 8.00pm at the Woolaston
Memorial Hall

1 Apologies for Absence:

David Harris

2 Declarations of interest:

No declarations of interest were recorded under the Parish Council Code of Conduct.

3 To receive representations from the previous meeting:

None.

4 To consider the following applications submitted by the Local Planning Authority:

None

5 Correspondence

None

6 Any other business

MG asked if we had had any correspondence from planning in reference to the access onto the A48 from the holiday cottage which we objected to on the grounds of it being dangerous as works seem to have commenced. PCK to find out.

7 Closure and date for next meeting:

Thursday 12th June 2014

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3 Public Open Forum

Rachel Watts from Orchard Cottage, Wolaston Common – the plan is to extend to give what is currently a two bedroom cottage into a three bedroom cottage with an upstairs bathroom and one story kitchen dining room extension. This house was developed seven years ago under a 106 agreement which limits the house's resale to a member of the parish as an affordable home. The 106 agreement is up for review, this year when Mr and Mrs Watts are able to appeal to have it removed from the house. Mrs Watts left and the Council discussed the plans. The PC are supportive of the plans subject to a formal planning application.

4 To confirm Minutes:

4.1 Minutes confirmed and signed for The Parish Council Meeting of 24th April 2014

4.2 Matters arising from the meeting of 24th April 2014

None

To consider the following matters:

5 Policing Issues

Talk to PCSO about the parking issues in the morning outside school.

6 Highways and Footpaths

RS emailed P Maunder about the promised signs but unfortunately has not heard anything. WWW are still going well and there are more maps available. The photographing of the paths has been noted and will commence shortly. All issues are now reported promptly. Bridge

reported last meeting is still not fixed. RS to re-report it. Defects – Opposite Garden Cottage significant hole on the edge of the road and a pothole by Jim Bendall's house on the corner. PCk to report.

A48 meeting – RS attended and was well attended in general. CC, Hways and Police reps – delays by county in response to deal with issues with crossings in Newnham. Issues relevant to Woolaston were – presence of a Police van outside the Gurkha Inn. RS asked for percentages of speeds but Police unwilling to give details. They are to have solid hatchings rather than the current broken white line painted in to force people to slow down by the filter turning. Also mentioned was the fact that PC's can have speed guns should anybody request one, not many so first come first served. Could be used to build up information in issue areas.

7 Maintenance

7.1 Severn View Road grass cutting – PCk update; it is not the responsibility of Highways or FODDC so an £8.00 Land Registry search is required to verify ownership. Currently some has been cut some not.

Overgrown hedge by the Rising Sun is now in the hands of highways.

8 Churchyard and Cemetery

8.1 Purchase of land to extend churchyard. SR heard from Mike Lewis to in reference to selling land. AL and SR to arrange a meeting.

9 Letter to HBendall.

Letters in draft for discussion. RS to propose a resolution as follows – Chair arranges to meet with H Bendall and one other together with another councillor (to be decided at the meeting) to resolve issues outstanding to the satisfaction of both parties. The final decision of the previous meeting was to invite him to the Public Forum of a council meeting for him to raise any outstanding issues, but the proposed resolution by RS caused the original decision to be reconsidered and it was suggested that any meeting with H Bendall should be more informal and conciliatory. SR stated that the whole process was frustrating and that the Council has already been more than conciliatory already and MG agreed. The Council are attempting to stop the constant correspondence which seems not to be to the benefit either party. RS proposal of a meeting – seconded by SR, AL supported RS's proposal, provided that the meeting with H Bendall is held before the next Council meeting. MG suggested that the second councillor should be someone

who does not know H Bendall personally and has offered to be the second Councillor. AL also said that the purpose of the meeting should be to bring matters to mutually satisfactory end. MF to write to Henry Bendall requesting a meeting which should take place before the next PC meeting. The entire council agreed with this as the correct plan of action.

10 Contents of the portal

Only information directly relevant to the parish is to go on the portal.

Emails to and from the Parish Clerk will be copied to a 'councillors email address' for their perusal.

11 Financial Report of the Financial Officer

11.1 Profit and Loss report for the year copies to be emailed out

11.2 Current and end of year bank balance

11.3 Receipt of increased precept and final litter monies, 2RH grass cutting monies still outstanding but are with accounts to be paid.

12 To approve accounts; all accounts were approved without objection for the following:

12.1 CO 1 - £35

12.2 Calendar Lady Promotions - Spring newsletter £58.00

13 To receive other correspondence posted on the Members portal/Notice Board/Facebook page:

Web links to a variety of support and information websites sent to Parish.clerk@woolaston.org.uk	

14 Other matters - AOB

15 To consider and other items deemed by the Chairman as urgent

Dog bin - Merlin Waste will fit but not supply. Attempts should be made to find other suppliers of the same service.

MG Parishioners reported presence of a mobile home and trailer constantly in the picnic area. Been there for approximately 18 months. The owner does live in the caravan and he does leave the site but

equally does return. PCK to contact District about the rules on staying in one place for a period of time.

Parishioners have asked for cardboard and plastic recycling bins up by the village hall, PCK to look into this.

16 Date for next meeting: Thursday 12th June 2014