

Minutes of the Woolaston Parish Council Planning &
Development Control Committee.
Held on Thursday 11th June 2015 8.00pm at the Woolaston
Memorial Hall

1 Apologies for Absence:

DH

2 To approve minutes for the meeting of 9th April 2014

Proposed MF and seconded DS

3 Declarations of interest:

None

4 To receive representations from the previous meeting:

None

**5 To consider the following applications submitted by the
Local Planning Authority:**

TPO20 - Kylemore, Netherend, Woolaston – Felling of a
Whitebeam Sorbus with decay and disease – support with no
objection.

P0474/15/FUL – Severnwey Farm, Smallbrook - feedback from
meeting. One of the councillors suggested, as a newly elected
office, many officers would not have attended the site so it was
recommended to do so and that no decision could be made
without this. The decision on the planning application was
therefore deferred.

6 Correspondence

None.

7 Any other business

None raised

8 Closure and date for next meeting:

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3 Public Open Forum

Telephone Box adoption – Sue Anderson and Maureen Turner represented the committee. SA spoke of how the phone box had deteriorated considerably and how she had seen phone boxes used as libraries and defibrillator points. She circulated photographs of other phone box ideas. She found out how much it was going to cost to refurbish it, estimates were around £400-£500 pounds and she hoped that the WPC were willing to contribute towards it. The Chair mentioned that the WPC were willing to support any ideas but that they did not want to financially support it long term hence their Facebook request for a committee. SA said if the WPC did support it's redevelopment that the WPC would have to ask the parish (via Facebook or the website) if there were any objections. MG suggested that she was not keen that the WPC adopt it officially on behalf of the committee as if the current committee was to move on then it would come back to the WPC.

MF suggested that the theory was that it is important that the WPC don't own it but avidly support an redevelopment. AL suggested that we look into if we were able to gift it. MG suggested that the committee register themselves as a charity and adopt it with the support of WPC. SA agreed that they would look into becoming a charity and come back to WPC. It was proposed that in principal we agree to the forming of a committee to adopt the phone box, independently.

4 To confirm Minutes 11th May:

Proposed RS seconded AL

Matters arising from the meeting of 12th March 2014

RS and MF fitted the bench with new timber (donated by International Timber, Parkend). The WPC will get an engraved plaque as way of thanks. It was agreed that £20.00 cost for machining should be paid to RS (proposed by AL and seconded by DS)

To consider the following matters:

5.1 Policing Issues

5.1 PCSO left a message with PCk but with no update on recent break-ins.

5.2 Highways and Footpaths

- 6.1 Church Lane has improved but it is believed that the Water Board carried out this work.
- 6.2 Wall at Netherend Crescent – re-report and emphasise the risk to the commuting children.
- 6.3 Report on the A48 meeting which was circulated to all councillors by DS who attended the meeting.
- 6.4 MF and RS have planned to attend to footpaths very soon.
- 6.5 MF attended a footpaths course. The plan is to speak to the newly appointed officer in charge of footpaths and ask him to walk some of the paths which have issues. Swan Steps particularly.

5.3 Maintenance

5.3.1 Churchyard and Cemetery – Firth Consultants have completed their survey report (the conveyancers found no reason why it shouldn't go ahead) to the cost of £1000. The WPC were happy with their service and agreed to pay the invoice of £1200 (£1000 + VAT) we are only awaiting the amended plan showing the larger plot.

12 Financial Report of the Financial Officer

The bank balance was received.

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

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

- 14.1 Phone box was discussed at the public forum.
- 14.2 Birchwood Road sign at the top has been moved further down the road making it difficult to see from Severn View Road. It was suggested that a photo was taken and that we request that it is moved back.
- 14.3 Contact Merlin Waste in reference to fitting the new bin.

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

None

16 Date for next meeting: Thursday 9th July 2015