

WOOTTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the **Planning Committee** held on Wednesday 14th December 2011 at 7.12pm in the Memorial Hall, Bedford Road, Wootton.

Present. Cllrs Quirk, Lloyd and Wheeler.
The Clerk (Sue Playford).

P11/171 Apologies for absence.
Cllrs Prescod and Rowse.

P11/172 Declarations of interest on any items on the agenda.
None.

P11/173 Report from outside organisations.
None.

P11/174 List of correspondence received (copies of correspondence can be requested from the clerk).

Continuation of a temporary closure to footpath no 1, which extends from OS GR TL0098 4358 south east to OS GR TL0112 4348. The extension is required for the construction of a bridleway following the completion of the A421. It is expected to continue from 5th December 2011 until 4th June 2012.

Cllr Quirk objected to this closure, which had now lasted some 3 years. It was resolved that the clerk contact the Secretary of State and BBC Highways to register this objection.

Minerals and Waste Core Strategy - Consultation on 'Soundness'. The public have been asked to comment on whether the document legally complies with plan making regulations and is 'sound'. Consultation runs until midnight on the 29th January 2012 and copies of the documentation can be downloaded from Bedford Borough, Central Bedfordshire and Luton Borough councils websites.

Cllr Quirk stated that those present had neither training or qualifications which would enable a **legal** response to be made. It was resolved that their request be noted, but that no member was competent to make a **legal** response.

Open Forum.
None.

P11/175 Minutes of the meeting.
Members of the planning committee are asked to receive and adopt the minutes of the planning committee meeting held on the 30th November 2011.

The clerk stated that the minutes had been provided to Cllr Quirk in the first instance, but as he had been away on holiday they had yet to be circulated to other members. It was agreed these minutes could now be circulated and brought for ratification at the next planning committee meeting.

P11/176 Matters arising from the minutes to include issues log review.

P11/47 - Overgrown alleyway Lorraine Road/Hoo Close. Clerk has now made further enquiries of Amey. Clerk is still waiting to establish the new land owners.

P11/51 - Changes to s106 Fields Road - open meeting held 27.7.11. Meeting was held on 16.11.11 and minutes will follow.

P11/87 (4) – CA Traffic Ltd. Traffic management report meeting due 15th December 2011.

P11/93 – Recreation ground bins. BBC have provided a cover for the burnt bin. Glasdon's have provided a replacement lock. Lock replaced. Move to close.

P11/106 – Stagecoach's proposal to stop buses between Wootton and Cranfield. WPC have registered their complaints. A meeting is due in November after which more information may be known. No further update received to date.

P11/121 – Trees in Lorraine Road cemetery. Caretaker will undertake works when the leaves have dropped. Dead pear tree has been removed and Pamela Stephenson has obtained a free replacement. Pamela sourced 4 cotoneasters for the sparse area – Julian Dennis has planted these. Awaiting a quotation from Rik Golder to plant this alongside 4 trees to replace the dead/dying trees in the extension. See separate agenda item regarding Rik Golder's quotation.

n/a – Overhanging trees in Wootton house. Pam Stephenson has taken a look and Philip Scott-Collins (Conservation officer BBC) will also visit and provide an update. Response awaited.

P11/123 – Replacement lighting columns – Hall End Road. Allan Peacock have been awarded the job – further details awaited.

P11/125 – Christmas tree 2011 – tree has been erected and the lights were switched on on 4th December.

n/a – Damaged railings at the Church Hall/cemetery. Clerk waiting to hear if ward money can be used.

n/a – dead/fallen trees at the rec. Works agreed and due 5.1.12.

n/a – poor state of land at the Fields Road/Bedford Road noticeboard. Works will take place in January 2012.

Open forum – positioning of dog mess bin in Keeley Lane. Due for discussion again in March 2012.

n/a - tree inspection. Bob Morwood is waiting to speak with Cllr Quirk when he returns from holiday.

P11/177

a Planning Applications.

11/02514/FUL - 54 Tithe Barn Road - two storey side extension, single storey front, rear and side extension.

All present viewed the plans and Cllr Quirk asked for observations. After discussion there were concerns over the single storey front extension (garage) and that the development would be too big for the site, with potential to develop further over the garage.

Having reviewed the application those present resolved **TO OBJECT** on the grounds that the single storey front extension (garage) would extend beyond the existing building line.

11/02529/FUL - Elmleigh, 33 Hall End Road - single storey rear extension and pitched roof over existing flat roof area. Chimney to site.

Having reviewed the application those present resolved there was **NO OBJECTION**.

11/02513/FUL - 7 Monoux Road - single storey side extension.

Having reviewed the application those present resolved there was **NO OBJECTION**.

The clerk then produced the following application, which had been received after the agenda was produced:

11/02596/FUL - 79 Cause End Road - two storey rear extension with dormer window. (Please note - a previous application for the same property was submitted in October 2011 with a velux window to the side as opposed to the dormer window, which the parish council had no objections to).

Having reviewed the application those present resolved there was **NO OBJECTION**.

b Planning Approvals.

11/02191/FUL - 36 Church Road - rear conservatory and single storey side extension to link and incorporate garage into main dwelling house.

This council had previously recorded **no objection**.

c Planning withdrawals

11/02120/FUL - 79 Cause End Road - two storey rear extension with velux window to side.

This council had previously recorded **no objection** (please see above).

- P11/178 To consider representation of the council at the planning meeting of Bedford Borough council discussing the above applications.**
Not applicable.
- P11/179 To request above applications be considered by the full Planning Committee of Bedford Borough council.**
Not applicable.
- P11/180 To resolve that under the terms of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 s1(2) and Local Government Act 1972 s100 any members of the public or press present please leave, in order that the following item(s) may be discussed.**
After discussion it was resolved that those members of the public could remain.
- P11/181 To discuss a quotation received to undertake planting at Lorraine Road cemetery.**
After discussion it was resolved to accept this quotation.

Meeting closed at 7.25pm

Chairman.....

Date.....