

WOOTTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the **Planning Committee** held on Wednesday 30th May 2012 at 7pm in the Memorial Hall, Bedford Road, Wootton.

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- P12/81 To appoint a chairman.**
One nomination was received for Cllr Quirk. It was proposed by Cllr Wheeler, seconded by Cllr Chalmers and agreed by all present that Cllr Quirk be appointed chairman for the ensuing municipal year.
- P12/82 To appoint a vice-chairman (if applicable).**
One nomination was received for Cllr Wheeler. It was proposed by Cllr Price, seconded by Cllr Doggrell and agreed by all present that Cllr Wheeler be appointed vice-chairman for the ensuing municipal year.
- Present.** Cllrs Quirk, Chalmers, Doggrell, Lloyd, Price and Wheeler.
The Clerk (Sue Playford).
- P12/83 Apologies for absence.**
None.
- P12/84 Declarations of interest on any items on the agenda.**
None.
- P12/85 Report from outside organisations.**
None.
- P12/86 List of correspondence received (copies of correspondence can be requested from the clerk).**
Proposed temporary road closure - Stewartby Way, Stewartby (remedial carriage way work)- from no 166 to Alexander Close. The closure is anticipated to be in operation on Wednesday 6th June 2012, between 9am and 3.30pm. Specific dates will be advertised locally closer to the time (where possible access will be maintained to property and premises but may be restricted from time to time according to local signing).
No further comments were received.
- Proposed temporary road closure - Fields Road, Wootton (resurfacing work) - from the old A421 to Haycroft. The closure is anticipated to be in operation from Monday 18th June to Friday 22nd June 2012, 24 hours a day. Specific dates will be advertised locally closer to the time (where possible access will be maintained to property and premises but may be restricted from time to time according to local signing).
No further comments were received.
- Proposed temporary road closures - Olympic Torch Relay, Bedford Borough. All roads affected by the Olympic Torch relay - further information can be found at: www.bedford.gov.uk/london2012. The legal order will cover Saturday 7th July and Sunday 8th July 2012. Advance signing will be in place along the route at least one week prior to this special event.
No further comments were received.

Open Forum - meeting to be adjourned.

There were no members of the public present so the meeting continued without adjournment.

P12/87

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 9th May 2012.

The minutes were signed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

P12/88

Matters arising from the minutes to include issues log review.

P11/47 - Overgrown alleyway Lorraine Road/Hoo Close. Keep on file until October.

P11/51 - Changes to s106 Fields Road - open meeting held 27.7.11. Plans were passed on 3rd January 2012.

P11/87 (4) – CA Traffic Ltd. Keep on file.

P11/121 – Trees in Lorraine Road cemetery. The lime tree has had it's suckers cut away from the fence but the clerk has received a further complaint from a local resident saying that it should be crowned every 2 years. Clerk has informed the resident that a tree survey has been undertaken, the report for which will determine whether further works are needed. Letter sent to resident detailing that the suckers will be removed but that the tree is otherwise considered healthy.

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. Pamela has heard nothing more and will chase again. Clerk advised that matters are now being left until the trees come into leaf.

P11/123 – Replacement lighting columns – Hall End Road. Signed agreements handed back to Allan Peacock Ltd on 21.2.12. Works commenced 7.3.12 – clerk chased 27.3.12 as items are outstanding. Shields are expected to be added w/c 21.5.12 – further updates not yet received.

n/a – poor state of land at the Fields Road/Bedford Road noticeboard. Works will take place in early March 2012. Works finished – move to close.

Open forum – positioning of dog mess bin in Keeley Lane. Due for discussion again in March 2012. Request to move it to be put to the handy man when his appointment has been formalised. Clerk is putting a list of jobs together.

n/a – tree inspection. Bob Morwood is preparing a report, expected in March 2012. Clerk to arrange aerial inspection of trees considered urgent works. Further quotation now awaited.

P11/174 – continued closure of Footpath No 1. The clerk has pushed again for the footpath to be reinstated as soon as possible, and whilst a response was received stating this would be resolved in the coming months, the clerk has now requested whether the proposed bridleway also mentioned, should have had plans submitted. Footpath is expected to be reinstated in May – clerk is hoping to meet with Allison and Phil Clifton to discuss the issue regarding plans. Meeting took place 16.5.12 – it is hoped the footpath will be re-opened 23.5.12.

n/a – request to site a dog bin along the footpath behind Lorraine Road. Clerk received a response from BBC to say there was no call for a bin in that area, and that the residents should keep a diary of events to help with a further future request.

P12/58 – upgrading of lights at Tithe Barn Road. Amey requested to provide a project improve document – still awaited. Cllr Quirk has delivered consultation letters to all residents of Tithe Barn Road, with a deadline of 21st June 2012.

n/a - poor surface of old A421 (now C94). Clerk emailed highways 26.4.12. Logged as 169373.

P12/89

a Planning Applications.

12/00541/FUL - 18 Grovebury Court - loft conversion with roof extension and rear dormers. Alterations to front gable.

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

12/00888/FUL - 78 Bedford Road - erection of single detached garage to front.

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

12/00723/FUL - The Lake House, 5a Bellamy Road - erection of a garden shed and garden toilet building.

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

b Planning Approvals.

12/00614/FUL - 68 Keeley Lane - loft conversion and extensions at the side and rear to provide first floor accommodation.

This council had previously recorded **NO OBJECTION**., subject to neighbours' considerations.

12/00545/FUL - 21 Summerfield Drive - conversion of garage to habitable room.

This council had previously recorded **NO OBJECTION**.

12/00574/FUL - 128 Bedford Road - erection of detached timber garage to side.

This council had previously recorded **NO OBJECTION**.

P12/90

To consider representation of the council at the planning meeting of Bedford Borough council discussing the above applications.

Not applicable.

P12/91

To request above applications be considered by the full Planning Committee of Bedford Borough council.

Not applicable.

P12/92

To consider requests received to site litter bins at the Popes Way/Cause End Road junction and also at the top of Fields Road.

After discussion it was resolved that the clerk approach Bedford Borough Council (BBC) to arrange for both bins to be sited, as above. Cllr Wheeler suggested asking Charles Wells to sponsor both, as happens in other villages. A contact name - Mark Bullawell was passed to the clerk. It was resolved by all present that the clerk investigate further.

Action - clerk to investigate with Charles Wells.

Action - clerk to inform BBC as above.

Cllr Quirk then passed around a petition, received from a resident of Popes Way. Vehicles have been entering via the dropped kerb in Lorraine Road and also by the grass verge adjacent to Cause End Road. It was resolved by all present that the petition be received and placed on the next appropriate planning agenda for further discussion.

Action - clerk to place on agenda as above and inform the resident.

Meeting closed at 7.22pm

Chairman.....

Date.....