

## **BETCHWORTH PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES** of the **MEETING** of the **BETCHWORTH PARISH COUNCIL** held on **MONDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2019**, at 8pm in the Hamilton Room.

Present: Cllrs Hardy (Chair), Rogers, Winter, Edwards, Higgins and Clerk (Marion Hallett).  
Footpaths Officer (FO) and District Councillor Simon Budd attended part of the meeting.

### **1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**

(345) Apologies were received from Councillor Wilson. The Burialground Caretaker was also absent.

(346) Councillor Hardy communicated to those present that she had accepted a resignation prior to the meeting from Councillor Richard Savill effective immediately.

### **2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.**

(347) No Declarations of Interest were received.

### **3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING.**

(348) The minutes of the meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> February 2019 were approved and signed by Councillor Hardy as a true and correct record.

### **4. COMMUNITY POLICE REPORT.**

(349) The monthly police report was presented to Councillors, acknowledging Crimes and noting superglue incident on the Nursery gate lock. No incident figures were provided to the Clerk this month. Councillors acknowledged a number of free Selecta DNA kits are still available to members of public; Clerk to communicate to Parishioners via village email.

(350) Following previous discussions with Police, Councillors discussed the appearance of a speedwatch device on The Street during School half term week, despite a specific request via the Clerk for a survey not to be carried out during this week. It was also noted that the device was poorly positioned, being on a tight bend and therefore unlikely to yield results which could prompt the necessity for traffic calming measures.

### **5. OPEN FORUM.**

(351) No matters were raised.

### **6. TRANSPORT HIGHWAYS AND FOOTPATHS**

(352) Footpaths Officer (FO) delivered the following report. In summary; litterpick in conjunction with Great British Spring Clean confirmed for Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> April. Three new volunteers have confirmed availability to join the litterpick. Bridge over ditch at Brockham Park repaired by Brockham Park Management Committee (£300). Damaged area around manhole cover near Betchworth VH was inspected by Thames Water but will likely require road closure to fix properly. Carbuncle reported along Wonham Lane repaired. Lectern on Goulburn Green has been pushed over – FO volunteered to refurbish woodwork and enquire regarding appropriate materials for the sign displayed inside. Clerk to find details of original manufacturer. FO suggested repositioning the lectern closer to fence when ready to reinstate. FO and Councillor Hardy had both inspected pruning and approved work. Play equipment checked on 4<sup>th</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> February 2019 and remains fit for purpose.

(353) Councillor Winter highlighted the necessity for traffic calming discussions to continue. Councillors agreed to revisit once results from speedwatch surveys were available.

(354) Following the resignation of Councillor Savill those present discussed the need for an alternative representative from the Parish Council to attend the forthcoming Surrey & Sussex Community Rail Partnership meeting scheduled for 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2019. Councillor Hardy to discuss with Councillor Wilson.

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(355) Councillors acknowledged no further updated at present regarding parking availability at Betchworth rail station.

## 7. PLANNING.

### New Applications & Appeals (7)

MO/2019/0215/CAT

The Gardens, Church Street, Betchworth, Surrey, RH3 7DN

Reduce height on one Leylandi tree to approximately 1.8 metres.

NO COMMENT

MO/2019/0216/PLAH

1 Pine Villas, Old Kiln Lane, Brockham, (within 20m) Betchworth, Surrey, RH3 7LY

Erect two storey side extension and single storey rear extension.

NO COMMENT

MO/2019/0234/PLAH

Cotterstock Lea, Wheelers Lane, Brockham, (within 20m) Betchworth, Surrey, RH3 7HJ

Retrospective application for the retention of a converted outbuilding to provide accommodation ancillary to the existing dwelling.

NO COMMENT

MO/2019/0274

3 More Place Cottages, Wonham Lane, Betchworth, Surrey, RH3 7AD

Proposed Certificate of Lawful Use. The application is for a Certificate of Lawful Use of land to station a caravan/mobile home for use incidental to the main dwelling.

Please see Planning Statement for further details.

NO COMMENT

(356) 9.00pm District Councillor Budd arrived.

MO/2019/0233

Crossways Farm, Station Road, Betchworth, Surrey, RH3 7DF

Demolition of an existing outbuilding and erection of a new outbuilding for use as an animal hydrotherapy facility (Use Class Sui Generis) with staff accommodation above. Relocation of existing office outbuilding.

OBJECT: GREENBELT

MO/2019/0327

The Old Vicarage, Old Reigate Road, Betchworth, Surrey, RH3 7DE

Insertion of 1 No. dormer window to west roof elevation; 1 No. dormer window and 1 roof light to north roof elevation and replacement of 1 No. roof light to south roof elevation.

NO COMMENT

MO/2019/0373

Land near to Station Road, Betchworth, Surrey, RH3 7DF

Remove poles 145288, 145289, 145290, 145291/2, 145293, 145294, 145295 and associated LV overhead lines. (2) Remove stay wire from pole 145287.

NO COMMENT

### Appeals (0)

### Late Applications (0)

### Results (4)

MO/2018/2102

7, Jubilee Terrace, Strood Green, Betchworth, Surrey, RH3 7JG

Erection of single storey rear extension.

APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS

MO/2019/0070

Horse Hill Well Site, Horse Hill, Hookwood, Horley, Surrey, RH6 0HN

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Retention and extension of an existing well site, HH1 and HH2 wells, and vehicular access to allow: the drilling of four new hydrocarbon wells and one water reinjection well; the construction of a process and storage area and tanker loading facility; new boundary fencing; well maintenance workovers and sidetrack drilling; and ancillary development enabling the production of hydrocarbons from six wells, for a period of 25 years. (SCC application - for consultation purposes only.)

NO OBJECTION

MO/2018/2185

Betchworth Quarry, The Quarry, Betchworth, Surrey, RH3 7BP

Certificate of Lawfulness for an existing use in respect of the site being used for commercial vehicle maintenance and repairs for a period in excess of 10 years.

APPROVED

MO/2019/0018

Homeland, Roothill Lane, Betchworth, Surrey, RH3 7AS

Certificate of Lawfulness for a proposed development in respect of the stationing of a mobile home/granny annexe for use incidental to main dwelling.

REFUSED

## Late Results (0)

### Other Matters

(357) Councillors acknowledged correspondence received regarding MO/2018/2086 Certificate of Lawfulness/Evergreens, currently under consideration. Councillors questioned the number of occupants living at the site and whether this number agreed with those named on the Electoral roll. Councillors requested that MVDC undertake a formal enquiry as it had been previously suggested that the site is already occupied by a number of people and as well as the named occupant on the application.

(358) Foothpaths Officer left the meeting.

## 8. AMENITIES

(359) Memorial for A P Lee approved. Clerk to communicate with Sherlock Funeral Services.

## 9. COMMUNITY

(360) Councillors acknowledged and approved a request from the WI for a date for Teas on The Green, 9<sup>th</sup> June 2019.

(361) Councillor Hardy confirmed that the speaker for the Betchworth Annual Parish Meeting will be Nigel Arch, Chairman of Dorking Museum. Clerk to send updated note via village email.

(362) Councillors acknowledged notice of a 12-week public consultation regarding Surrey's fire and rescue service, which runs until 26 May 2019.

## 10. COMMUNICATIONS/IT.

## 11. CLERK'S REPORT.

(363) Councillor Rogers confirmed that the Perspex had been replaced in the Coombe notice board.

## 13. FINANCE.

(364) The monthly financial summary was presented to Councillors, and Clerk acknowledged a request to investigate a query raised by Cllr Winter.

(365) Monies received were noted from NRT Construction (Coombe Notice Board, £30.46); Harding (Internment, £480), Lee (Memorial, £275). Transfer to current (£5,000).

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(366) Councillors Winter and Edwards approved the following accounts for payment:

IB00161	Hamilton Room	£	20.00
IB00162	M Hallett (Feb 19) Salary, phone, expenses	£	855.21
IB00163	HMRC Cumbernauld	£	26.16
IB00164	SES Water, WG Standpipe	£	13.71
IB00165	Mattree Professional Tree Care	£	846.00
IB00166	Shires Pay Services	£	24.00
IB00167	D Elliott	£	50.00
IB00168	Betchworth Village WM Hall	£	29.00

#### **14. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.**

(367) Cllr Hardy communicated a problem with litter gathering towards the top of Pebble Hill; an area too dangerous for litterpickers to visit. District Councillor Budd to discuss with Councillor Clack, who had previously suggested contacting SCC for a sweeper.

(Councillors were of the opinion this may not be entirely effective).

(368) Cllr Hardy confirmed the new Rector will be commencing her post from April, and that she had received an invitation to attend her induction. Cllr Hardy unable to attend and asked for a representative from Betchworth Parish Council be present.

(369) Councillors discussed ongoing dog fouling in public areas and suggested Clerk submit an article for the next Parish Magazine.

#### **15. FUTURE MEETING DATES.**

Next Parish Council Meetings – 1<sup>st</sup> April '19, 13<sup>th</sup> May '19

21 <sup>st</sup> March	-	Brockham Flower Club – Contemporary Parallel Design
26 <sup>th</sup> March	-	Annual Parish Meeting
3 <sup>rd</sup> April	-	North Downs Line Steering Group Meeting – attendees?
13 <sup>th</sup> April	-	Village Litterpick
2 <sup>nd</sup> May	-	District and Parish Elections
9 <sup>th</sup> June	-	WI Teas on The Green

#### **Parish Magazine Article for April 2019, deadline Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2019**

Parish Magazine Article subject for April: litterpick, reminder re dog fouling and public consultation – Fire and Resilience.

(370) Councillor Hardy closed the meeting at 9.50pm

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