

# MINUTES OF YARDLEY GOBION PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2019

- Present** Cllrs Ms L Stephenson (Chair), A Curtis, J Hill, G Phillips, R Weston, D Novakovic (entered 8.13pm) & Ms L Llewellyn & resident Mr Hicks (entered 8.05pm).
- 4590** 1. **Apologies for Absence:** Cllr I McCord & County Cllr Walker.
- 4591** 2. COUNCIL MATTERS
- a) **Declaration of Interest:** Cllr Curtis declared a personal interest in Agenda item 5.1 d) & Cllr Llewellyn declared a personal interest in Agenda item 7.2 c).
- b) Cllr Stephenson welcomed Cllr Llewellyn to the meeting and thanked her for her demonstration of community spirit.
- 4592** 3. **Previous Meeting:**
- 3.1 The Minutes of Meeting held 6.8.19 were approved by all Cllrs, and agreed/signed as a correct record.
- 3.2 Matters arising:
- 4593** 4. OPEN FORUM: Notes attached. Opened & closed 8.04pm. Re-opened 8.05pm. Closed 8.15pm. Mr Hicks leaves 8.15pm.
- 4594** 5. PLANNING MATTERS
- 5.1 Applications received:
- a. S/2019/1522/FUL – 10 Manor Way. Proposed single storey side extension. Councillors had ‘no objections’ to the application, but requested that any concerns raised by neighbours were addressed when determining the application.
- b. S/2019/1569/TCA – 13 Mount Pleasant. Fell conifer. For information only. Noted.
- c. S/2019/1579/FUL – Moorgate Farm, Moorend Road. Agricultural livestock building & associated development. Cllrs had ‘no comments’.
- d. S/2019/1607/FUL – 12 Warren Road. Self-contained annexe building to rear. After discussion Cllr Stephenson proposed that Cllrs object to the application for the following reasons ‘The description on the application is for a ‘garden room’, however this clearly appears to be back garden development to create 2 distinctly separate dwellings on the plot. The plans show a separate 2 bedroom residence, with kitchen, living room & wet room. Correspondence received from the Applicant clearly states that it is their intention to move into the new building once built allowing their family to occupy the existing house. We are concerned about the overall size of the development in relation to the size of the plot and would request that any concerns raised by neighbours are taken into account when determining the application. The plans do not show the proposed orientation of the building on the plot. The application does not indicate the intended use of the building and states that vehicle parking is not relevant to this proposal (item 9). There is no indication of parking arrangements for the 2 properties. Additionally there are errors in the application, namely;  
item 14 – with regard to waste storage & collection (& consequently also item 15)  
item 18 – with regard to employment of staff  
item 26 – date of declaration is 2/8/19. (This is before the date of item 5 which is 5/8/19.)  
With regard to item 16, we have not been provided with the supplementary information about the gain, loss or change of use of residential units. We respectfully request that this application is considered by the Planning Committee.’ Seconded by Cllr Weston. Cllrs Curtis, Phillips & Novakovic abstained in the vote, which was carried with 4 votes in favour & none against.
- 5.2 Amendments: None.
- 5.3 Applications granted: None.
- 5.4 Applications refused: None.
- a. S/2019/1209/FUL – Land rear of 21 High Street. New dwelling.
- b. S/2019/0888/FUL – 5/6 Mount Pleasant. Single & first floor rear extensions & alterations to split property back to 2 dwellings.
- 5.5 Applications withdrawn. None.
- 5.6 Outstanding applications/Other planning. None.
- 4595** 6. **Finance Matters**
- 6.1 ACCOUNTS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT:
- a) Clerk’s salary Aug 19 = £390.20 (001219).
- b) Mrs Schumacher – caretaking of play areas and pocket park – August 19 = £50.00 (001221).
- c) BT – broadband - £30.50 – (paid by direct debit.)
- d) DNH Contracts – dog bins Aug 19 = £80.70 + £16.14 VAT = £96.84 (001222).  
Proposed by Cllr Phillips and seconded by Cllr Weston. Authorised by all Councillors.
- 6.2 **Payments Received:**
- a) Allotment rent - £7.50
- 6.3 OTHER
- a) Bank balances as at last statements – Lloyds - £28,182.72 (15.8.19) SW - £2,087.97 (1.7.19).
- b) Workplace Pension scheme. The Clerk did not wish to be placed in a Workplace Pension scheme.
- 4596** 7. Committee Reports:
- 7.1 HIGHWAYS/R.O.W./MOWING/STREET LIGHTING/OVERHANGING VEGETATION
- a) Street Doctor – Work had been carried out in Moorend Road.
- b) Draft Rights of Way Improvement Plan 2018-2028. Mrs Curtis, our volunteer Path Warden, was working on a response to the consultation and would let the PC have her comments.
- c) Street lighting – Cllr Novakovic was awaiting a quotation to replace the remainder of the lanterns.
- d) Mowing – no issues.

- 7.2 PLAYING-FIELD/VILLAGE TREES**
- a) Monthly play area inspection reports. No real problems reported apart from with bird droppings on the swings in the Coffee Pot field. Cllr Hill volunteered to replace the cable ties on top of the swings. Litter bins were being well used. **JH**
- b) Coffee Pot field - Cllr Stephenson had approved the draft lease and would shortly complete the paperwork. **LS**
- c) Various complaints about overhanging trees/encroaching vegetation – land off Woodville Crescent, Moorend Road, land opposite Pocket Park, Warren Road & Malborough Way/Eastfield Crescent. It was agreed that Cllr Weston would speak with the Moorend Road residents & the Clerk would write to the owners/occupiers of the other sites. **RW**
- 7.3 ALLOTMENTS**
- a) No problems reported. There were now 3 empty plots, which had been strimmed ready for occupation.
- 7.4 POCKET PARK**
- a) The Park had been well visited over the summer by families and was looking good.
- 4597 8. Y G VILLAGE HALL**
- a) The new heating system had been installed. Afternoon Teas and Coffee Mornings continued to be well supported.
- 8.1 Y G RECREATION CENTRE**
- a) Cllr Weston reported that funds were expected. The Committee were hoping to seed the ground where the bund had been removed, with wild flowers. (It was noted that this area should be established back to a flat surface first as per the PC's recent letter). The creation of a skate park at the end of the car park was being considered – it was noted that a proper formulated proposal would be required to enable the PC to discuss this suggestion further.
- 4598 9. COMMUNITY MATTERS**
- a) Review of polling districts, polling places & polling stations. Closing 6<sup>th</sup> September. Cllr Phillips would upload this to the website. Cllrs had not received any adverse comments about the current polling station in the village.
- b) SNC - Consultation on draft sport & leisure strategy. Closing 18<sup>th</sup> September. Cllr Phillips had uploaded this to the website.
- c) Invitation to Northants CALC Conference & AGM – 5<sup>th</sup> October at Moulton Community Centre. Cllr Stephenson indicated an interest in attending, & the Clerk would check whether Cllr McCord wished to attend, prior to booking places. **LS & IM**
- 4599 10. Date of next meeting:**
- a) 8<sup>th</sup> October 2019 – 8pm in Chestnut Road Chapel.

Meeting closed 9.40 pm.

#### **OPEN FORUM**

Mr Hicks expressed his concerns about speeding in Moorend Road, especially between the Water Tower and the junction with Grays Lane, and was asked to provide a report to the Clerk to enable Councillors to discuss the matter further.

