

**Minutes of the Planning & Transport Committee held on Monday
15th March 2010 at 7.00pm in the Village Hall,**

Present: Cllr L. Britt, Cllr C. Beglan, Cllr N. Cooper, Cllr M. Shaw, Clerk L Quirk. 1 member of the public.

1. **Apologies and declarations of interest**

Apologies received from Cllr Wilkins- holiday, Cllr Henderson & Cllr Turley work Commitments.

Declarations of Interest- none declared.

2. **Minutes of the last Planning Committee meeting**

Minutes of the meeting held on 15th February 2010 were approved and signed.

3. **Matters arising**

3.1 **Iron Stone Barn**-Gate has been replaced with chestnut palings. HDC have closed the file

3.2 **Parish Plan meeting** - New web based Community Led Plans (Parish plans) Database Training which will be taking place on Tuesday 23rd February 2010 at Parish Council Chamber, Beeson House, Southwater. From 10.30am to 12.30pm. Clerk attended update given to members. Clerk to pass on details of website to members.

Cllr Copper asked what was happening with HDC e plans, Clerk explained that the pilot was due to end and the results should be circulated at the end on March, HDC had confirmed that they would continue to provide paper plans to those parishes who were unable to use the e system, front pages of applications were now being sent electronically.

3.3 **Newhouse Lane**- Cllr Wilkins has been informed by WSCC that the works will be done and the landowner billed -ongoing.

3.4 **East Clayton Farm**- Cllr Cooper attended a meeting at 11.00am Tuesday 16th February; update given at Full Council. It was noted that no works appear to have been started, Clerk to speak to George for an update.

3.5 **Emergency Planning for the future**

It was suggested that more information be sought on grit bins from WSCC, can PC now provide them, and will WSCC purchase them on behalf of the PC & fill them. Suggested sites so far are – Village Hall Car Park, Top of The Street by closed graveyard Yard subject to checking with Mr Goring, Spring Gardens, Montpellier, and Newhouse, /Weavers Lane. Members to consider other areas that could be included. Clerk has spoken to Richard Speller, Assistant Highways Manger, who has made several suggestions. The PC can purchase grit bins, but they will need a licence, as they are classed as a licensed obstruction on the Highway. WSCC do not encourage the purchase of grit bins, as in their experience they are in normal years, not used very frequently, and because of this are subject to vandalism and misuse, ending up being used as litter bins and toilet facilities. He suggested the parish should consider carefully the locations, and who could be a key holder etc prior to any purchases. WSCC do not purchase them, but he suggests Glasdon are quite competitive, price is £130 for a slim line 300ltr (yellow) lockable box. WSCC would be prepared to fill the boxes, when grit is available, but if in short supply they would not be a priority. He also thought that this could include Heath Common and to add them onto any list sent to WSCC. Another option to grit bins being tried as a result of the recent weather is Hippo bags. These Hippo bags (the bag builders merchants use to deliver gravel etc in) will be delivered to agreed points in parishes, in advance of snow or icing conditions being forecast, the bags would then be collected once empty, the aim of this is to remove the need for the additional expenditure of providing permanent grit bins which may not be required very often. A further option is for the Parish Council to purchase a supply of grit in the summer months, when WSCC purchase there

supply, this summer it was priced at £24 per ton, this could then be stored by WSCC and supplied as required. Because of the demand at present it is now over £80 per ton. Members decided that grit bins would be a better option, as the grit would then be insitu and contained. Three or four bins were thought to be required at Heath Common, but members will check out specific sites. The Clerk to check with Glasdon and other companies as necessary to obtain prices and to see if bulk buying will significantly reduce the individual costs. If so then other parishes will be contacted to see if they wish to join together for a bulk purchase. Report to come back to Committee, at this stage, as it is envisaged that the bins would be in place for autumn 2010, and further details are required, prior to submission to full council for approval. Clerk had obtained prices from Glasdon, Cllr Shaw will measure existing bin in Sanctuary Lane. Clerk will obtain further prices. Clerk to check with Richard Speller if Rock Road is gritted.

- 3.6 North Farm Winery - Nicola Mason has responded that they are expecting an application to be submitted soon. William Trinick has responded to the email sent, saying that they are awaiting a pre-consultation meeting with WSCC, and hope to submit an application in 1st week of March. Application not yet received. Follow up if not received by next meeting.
- 3.7 MWDF- details of the meeting being held on Friday 22nd January with WSCC were confirmed. – Submission has been made to WSCC.
- 3.8 Tintells, Melrose Place- Neighbour had confirmed to Cllr Wilkins that tiles had been removed.
- 3.9 Kia- Washington Motors - A meeting has been arranged with Gary Peck HDC and the Agent, for 3.15pm on 1st March the Chairman and Cllr Cooper will attend, to discuss the landscaping plan. Reported to Full Council
- 3.10 RMC/Wealdon site Beth Howland-Smith had a meeting arranged for January which they cancelled, she has written to them again asking for another meeting, will let us know the outcome, meeting arranged for 10th March, hopefully update will be available for meeting. Hazel Corke HDC has asked the Chairman to attend a meeting on 25th March, to include the District Cllrs, to look at the future use of the site, it had been hoped that Cllr Cooper would be able to attend as well, but there is a restriction on numbers, due to Health & Safety and the Chairman has been informed that this is not possible although the Chairman has been informed there will be a detailed brief to take away. Clerk to confirm venue and time.
- 3.11 West Clayton Bungalow- mobile home/stables- she has visited the site, but there was no one there, she has therefore written to the owners telling them they would have expected the building works to have been nearing/completed by now and as there was no evidence of work taking place, has asked for a site meeting to establish what is happening.
- 3.12 Wiston Estates – William Trinick has asked if members of the PC would like to attend a site visit to the Winery prior to the plans being submitted. Members thought that the last visit that had been made during a site visit to North Farm was sufficient. Mr Trinick has also suggested dates for a further Estates Liaison meeting. Clerk to email dates and members will check diaries, and a date will then be arranged. Cllr Milner-Gulland to be given dates as well. Other members were unable to attend so Cllr Cooper attended a meeting and gave an update at Full Council. Following the meeting William Trinick has offered to arrange a site meeting with Biffa re the valley, and also to the winery at North Farm, suggested 4.30pm any day except Mondays.

4. Planning Applications -

- 4.1 DC/10/0320 - Woodlands Georges Lane - Raising of roof and enlargement of existing 3-bed detached bungalow to provide a 4-bedroom dwelling with rooms in roof space incorporating dormer windows and new porch. – There were no objections from neighbours on the Planning Portal, if materials matched the existing, and the screening was retained members could see no objection. Normal conditions to be applied regarding hours of work etc.

- 4.2 DC/10/0321 - Hampers Cottage Hampers Lane - Surgery to 1 Beech (T1) and 2 x Oak (T2 and T3) trees- No objection
- 4.3 DC/10/0076 - Land To The Rear of Properties On The Northwest Side of Badgers Holt Erect temporary prefabricated plastic sectional shed- members do not object in principle, but suggest that the shed is moved to the west of the existing slab, to protect the amenity of the neighbours.
- 4.4 DC/10/0200 - Caladh Rock Road - Create a separate driveway to store a touring caravan and 1.22m high gates- No objection in principle, but no specification of position of hardstanding or materials to be used, request permeable surface to protect the roots of the trees and prevent run off.
- 4.5 DC/10/0395- Woodlee 4 Squirrels Copse Newhouse Lane - Proposed conservatory to side elevation- No objection.

Other

The High Barn, Newhouse Lane – Withdrawn

The Chardonnay Restaurant – Refused

5. **Any other Planning or Transport matters that may arise**

- 5.1 Roundabout- the planting that had taken place was discussed, members were not very happy with the way it looks at present. The Chairman had been in touch with Keegan Ford, and they have confirmed that there are various planting “windows” it was thought that the bulbs had been planted earlier in the year, but this had apparently not taken place. They did however confirm that the wild flower seeding would still take place. The Chairman suggested we wait to see the end product, once all the plants are in place, which will hopefully soften the present urban appearance.
- 5.2 Cllr Cooper asked if WSCC could be asked when they expected to do the A24 Safety review, as a meeting had been promised for many months now.
- 5.3 Proposed Composting site at Broadbridge Farm, Ashington was discussed, exhibition to be held on Tuesday 23rd March 2-8pm, in the Small Hall, Ashington Community Centre. Experts will be on hand to answer residents questions.
- 5.4 Hughes Pumps- It appears that the noise survey has now been completed, the Chairman said she would like to request that Environmental Health review it, and that if the application is to be recommended for approval that it goes to Committee, as a number of residents have raised objections.

Public Adjournment

The Chairman adjourned the meeting to allow a member of the public to speak.- A response had now been received to his letter to the National Trust, but it just said that they were looking into the matter. He informed members that the farmer working the land had been recognized in the Farmers Weekly, which could be something that could be more widely acknowledged. He reported that there was still a pile of rubble in the field, members said they thought that this had been left there for the National Trust to use on the lane for the pot holes etc.

The Meeting reconvened

6. **Date and Time of the next meeting**

Suggested 2 weeks after Full Council 26th April, which will be a week later in April due to Easter.

Signed Date 26th April 2010
Chairman