

CHOLSEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting duly convened and held on Wednesday 20th March 2020 in The Pavilion, Station Road, Cholsey at 7.30pm

Present were Mr M. Gray (Chair), Mr J. Hope-Smith, Mrs V. Artenne, Mrs G. Herbert, Mrs I Neill, Mrs P. Turner, Mrs V. Bolt and Mrs M. Dyer-Lynch.

Also present L. Dalby (Clerk) District Cllr A-M Simpson and one member of the public.

211. To receive apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Mr P. Jenkins, Mr D Bamford, Mr C Worley and Mr D Seed.

212. To hear questions or comments from members of the public about planning issues (max 15mins).

A resident expressed concerns about P20/S0762/FUL to demolish the existing building and wall. He considered that the house and unusual wall (which has flint sections with a Victorian post box inserted into it) are an important part of the street scene and should be protected.

213. To receive Declarations of Interest for any planning applications

There were none.

214. To consider planning applications as at 12th March 2020

P20/S0762/FUL	Erection of two new build detached houses following demolition of an existing redundant office building. Boshers (Cholsey) Ltd 6 Reading Road. The application was discussed and pictures of the wall examined. It was resolved to object to the application. Proposed Mr Gray Seconded Mrs Bolt Carried Unanimously
P19/S2924/FUL Amend	Erection of 106 dwellings including affordable housing provision, parking, open space and woodland and other associated works. (As clarified by additional information received 23 October 2019 and 5 November 2019, amended by plans and information submitted 20 December 2019 and 5 March 2020, archaeology and landscaping information received 20 January 2020, additional ecology information received 3 February 2020, amended ecology information received 10 February 2020, and additional archaeology information received 26 February 2020). Land Rear (South East) of Wallingford Road Cholsey It was resolved to support the application. Proposed Mr Gray Seconded Mrs Turner Carried Unanimously
P20/S0701/FUL	Installation of ground-mount solar pv array - 2 panels in portrait 25.5 m2 combined. Cox's Farm Winterbrook Lane Wallingford It was resolved to have no objections to the application. Proposed Mr Gray Seconded Mrs Turner Carried Unanimously
P20/S0474/HH	Replace existing 1.4m high fence and wooden gate at front of house with a 1.4m wall, electric sliding gate and manual pedestrian gate. 19 Station Road It was resolved to have no objections to the application but to note the retrospective nature of the application and raise concern about the lights. Proposed Mr Gray Seconded Mrs Herbert Carried Unanimously

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215. To note planning decisions received

P19/S2705/LB	Works needed to change use from A1 (retail) to A3 (cafe/restaurant). (As clarified by Applicant's email dated 11 October 2019 with accompanying photographs and plan). 5 Ratcliffe Court GRANTED
P19/S1389/HH	Two storey side extension, two storey rear extension, porch extension and associated internal alterations. (as amended by drawing no.s 18103 DD 001 F, 18103 DD 002 F, 18103 DD 003 F, 18103 DD 004 F, 18103 DD 005 F, 18103 DD 006 F and 18103 DD 010 F, to reduce height of eastern side extension, remove two storey rear extension, add two storey side (to west elevation) and two storey front extensions, remove second access and retain existing office outbuilding received on 1 October 2019) Wellfields House Caps Lane WITHDRAWN
P19/S2952/HH	Single storey timber building for use as a garden room 19 Station Road GRANTED
P19/S2969/HH	Single storey rear extension. Lardon 3B Cross Road GRANTED
P19/S2278/HH	Rebuilding of existing garage to attached to cottage to provide kitchen and ancillary accommodation to the property.(as amplified by Arboricultural Impact Assessment and Arboricultural Method Statement received 22 October). 1 Hithercroft Cottages Hithercroft Road GRANTED

216. To discuss and agree staff salaries

Mrs Turner reported that the Personnel Committee recommend that the Estate Managers Salary should be brought into line with other salaries.

Proposed Mrs Turner **Seconded** Mrs Neill **Carried** Unanimously

217. To consider offer from a resident to repair the footway from west End to the Bulls Hole.

The Clerk to discuss with the OCC footpaths officer.

218. To agree business continuity plan

The Clerk reported that measures are being put in place to cope with the likely lockdown and allow the staff to work from home. The Pavilion has been closed to the public and therefore the Happy Hub closed.

Mr Gray reported that the Older Persons Worker is working with the Day Centre to support vulnerable members of the community.

District Cllr Simpson reported that there is a national network of voluntary groups. SODC will also have a hardship fund but it is not clear how this will be distributed.

219. To consider extending the delegation of Council decisions to the Clerk during any period of restricted activity declared by the Government in respect of the Covid-19 virus. Such delegation to enable the Council to fulfil its responsibilities to its residents

It was noted that the Clerk would where reasonably possible consult Councillors by email before taking any decisions.

Proposed Mr Gray **Seconded** Mrs Bolt **Carried** Unanimously

220. Items for report or inclusion on next agenda

- The Forty Magazine will not be distributed as the current crisis has rendered it out of date as events are being cancelled.
- Mrs Herbert reported that someone had kindly mowed the community orchard.
- Mrs Turner reported that the cleaners are to paint the Pavilion whilst it is closed.
- The skate park works are continuing.
- Mr Gray hoped everyone would stay well.