

# TAPLOW PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF TAPLOW PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 15<sup>th</sup> MAR 2022 AT 7.30 P.M. AT TAPLOW VILLAGE HALL, HIGH STREET, TAPLOW.

### Present

Acting Chairman Cllr. Roger Worthington

Cllr. Karen Walsh

Cllr. Spencer Norton

Clerk - Ms. Ruth Senior and 2 members of the public present

Cllr. Dr Alan Sinclair

Cllr. Rachel Horton-Kitchlew

Cllr. Val Pridmore,

### Open forum

Feedback was presented from residents of Ye Meads following a meeting with them and Matt Grant to discuss possible options for development on the land at the end of Ye Meads owned by the Grant family. Mr Grant confirmed his plan to be off grid and growing produce for his own consumption and sharing locally. He is looking to apply for planning permission for a small dwelling on the footprint of the existing building. He will be keeping neighbours informed.

### PC/25/22 Apologies for absence

Apologies received from

Cllr. Jamie Barnard, Cllr. Claire Price, Cllr. Louise Symons, Cllr. Gerry O'Riordan, Cllr. Zoe Hatch, County Cllr. George Sandy

### PC/26/22 To confirm the minutes of the Meetings held on 15<sup>th</sup> February 2022

These were approved with no amendments required and signed by the Acting Chairman.

### PC/27/22 Matters arising from the previous Minutes

Following agreement at the October meeting to sand and varnish the village benches in Spring, **it was unanimously agreed** for the works to go ahead at a cost of £300.

Following agreement at the February meeting to tidy the external view of the barn on the green, **it was unanimously agreed** for the works to go ahead to remove ivy which is growing into the barn, sand and paint the windows and door at a cost of £456.

Cllr. Pridmore updated on meeting Robert Miles from Cliveden National Trust regarding issues of cars parking on the roads around the Woodland entrance. He confirmed that the National Trust are happy to work with the Council to reinstate and improve the verges to stop cars parking on them. **It was agreed** that the Clerk will co-ordinate an introduction between Robert and Buckinghamshire Council to discuss. He also confirmed they will look into blocking the path into the woodland from the road so the public have to use the car park to gain entry and also moving the parking attendant kiosk to nearer the entrance.

He also suggested he would like to see a mini roundabout at the main entrance to Cliveden which may be an option for slowing down traffic at that junction. This information will also be passed on to Buckinghamshire Council.

#### **PC/28/22 To update on current environmental issues**

Cllr. Horton-Kitchlew is investigating possible funding options through the Community Board for initiatives.

There was a discussion regarding local footpaths and especially the footpath between Taplow Station, Taplow Court and Cliveden as the National Trust are also interested in this being more accessible.

Cllr. Horton-Kitchlew has spoken with Clarke's Gardening and **it was agreed** that planting the surplus wildflowers around the village hall fencing in the Autumn should go ahead.

Cllr. Norton asked for an update on the Buckinghamshire initiative to plant one tree per person in the county, **it was agreed** that the Clerk will seek further clarification.

#### **PC/29/22 To discuss the possible drainage problems under the village green**

Following drainage work at St Nicolas school, Steve Warren flagged concerns about blocked and damaged drains under the green. **It was agreed** that the Clerk will ask for quotes to investigate these issues to discuss further.

#### **PC/30/22 To consider the quote for repairing the white village gate on Marsh Lane**

**It was unanimously agreed** for the works to go ahead at a maximum cost of £402.42.

#### **PC/31/22 To consider the quote for the internal painting work in the village hall**

**It was unanimously agreed** for the works to go ahead at a maximum cost of £238.70.

#### **PC/32/22 To consider the quotes for repair to the exterior brickwork of the village hall behind the salt bin**

The Clerk obtained two very similar quotes for the work. It was proposed Cllr. Norton and seconded Cllr. Worthington to accept the quote from Samson Developments for total price £825 providing the work can be done quickly. If not, the second quote will be accepted.

**It was agreed** that the Clerk will make contact.

#### **PC/33/22 To discuss the Jubilee celebration**

**It was agreed** that Cllr. Worthington will liaise with the Hitcham and Taplow Society on possible options for the Village Green Party and Jubilee Celebrations joining into one event.

#### **PC/34/22 Planning**

**34.1** Cllr. Worthington updated on recent planning applications and changes.

Challen's Chicks appeal for a dwelling on site has been allowed but is still to go through the planning process.

Lamont House, River Road are being allowed to knock down the current dwelling but plans are still to be agreed for the new building.

**It was agreed** that the Clerk will write to;

Taplow House Hotel regarding the erection of two illuminated signs which do not have planning permission.

Ashling, Ellington Road following works being carried out with no planning permission.

Roots Garden Centre regarding other businesses operating on site unlawfully.

The Station Road business estate regarding advertising signs on the external fences.

Cllr.Worthington will draft outline letters.

**It was agreed** that the Clerk will make contact with County Cllr. Sandy regarding the common land currently used by the Feathers Pub for parking as this may impact the Highways decisions for the junction changes.

### **34.2**

#### **The following decisions have been made:**

PL/20/3519/FA	Challen's Chick Farm new house	APPEAL ALLOWED
PL/22/0303/NMA	Clivden temporary café	ACCEPTED
PL/22/0166/PNE	The Bothy River Road extension	ACCEPTED
PL/22/0161/PNE	8 Stockwells extension	ACCEPTED
PL/22/0028/FA	Rowing Club River Road balcony	ACCEPTED
PL/21/4872/TP	Taplow Court tree work	ACCEPTED
PL/21/4874/PAHAS	Lamont House River Road extension	REFUSED
PL/21/4853/SA	Lamont House River Road extension	REFUSED
PL/21/4806/FA	Elibank Court extensions	ACCEPTED
PL/21/4756/CONDA	5 Ellington Gardens condition	ACCEPTED
PL/21/4703/FA	The Thatched Cottage	ACCEPTED
PL/21/4587/FA	Upper Lodge Berry Hill extension	WITHDRAWN
PL/21/4333/FA	Rectory Farm garden room	ACCEPTED
PL/21/4063/FA	Waterville River Road extensions	WITHDRAWN
PL/22/0271/KA	Old Lodge East tree work	APPROVED

#### **The following have decisions pending:**

PL/20/0970/FA	Wee Cottage extension	
PL/21/0752/HB	Hill House - basement work	
PL/21/3518/FA	Cranford House change of use	
PL/21/3669/OA	Downlands Barn demolition / rebuild	REFERRED
PL/21/4455/HB	Cliveden Conservatory new roof	
PL/21/4258/VRC	Old Boathouse conditions	
PL/21/4555/FA	Huntswood Golf Club rebuild outbuildings	
PL/21/4776/FA	Stoncrop Saxon gardens new build	
PL/22/0106/FA	Hunters Moon Marsh Lane extension	
PL/21/3263/FA	Hunstwood Lane demolish and rebuild	REFERRED
PL/21/4588/FA	Rosemerrion Marsh Lane extension	OBJECTION
PL/21/4299/FA	Marshmead retrospective storage unit	OBJECTION
PL/22/0042/FA	Old Lodge West extension	OBJECTION

#### **New applications thought uncontentious**

PL/22/0732/KA	Cherry House tree work
PL/22/0588/FA	2 River Court Ellington extension
PL/22/0559/CONDA	Mill Lane condition

PL/22/0530/EU Silchester manor evidence of work  
PL/22/0424/KA West Bapsey tree work  
PL/22/0871/KA Hermitage tree work

**Applications for discussion**

PL/21/4559/AV Mill Lane pub signage

**Taplow Neighbourhood Plan Working Party**

The Hermitage, Grounds and Coach House are awaiting Cabinet approval for inclusion on the Local Heritage Asset List.

**34.3** Berry Hill footbridge – Expected completion before the end of the year. **It was agreed** that the Clerk will ascertain to obtain pictures of the new bridge design.

**PC/35/22 Finance -To agree/ratify expenditure in the cashbook**

**35.1** Expenditure in the cashbook circulated to Councillors before the meeting **was approved.**

**35.2** **It was agreed** that the Clerk will write to Barrie Dancer to appoint for the end of year audit.

**PC/36/22 AOB/agenda items for the next meeting on 5<sup>th</sup> April 2022**

Streetlighting – to discuss the colour of replacement streetlights.

*The meeting ended at 8.42pm*