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YOU ARE SUMMONED TO A MEETING OF STREATLEY PARISH
COUNCIL AT 7:50pm ON 8th NOVEMBER 2021 IN THE MORRELL ROOM

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CLERK TO THE COUNCIL**



DUE TO SOCIAL DISTANCING RULES THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS OF THE
PUBLIC WILL BE LIMITED TO 5 AT ALL PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS UNTIL
FURTHER NOTICE

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1. Attend the meeting - please contact the clerk, at least 48 hours prior to the meeting, on 07766 541577 or email: clerk@streatley.org to reserve a place at the meeting
2. Submit questions to the Parish Council which will be discussed, and a written response provided following the meeting.

AGENDA FOR STREATLEY PARISH COUNCIL – MEETING ON 8 NOVEMBER 2021

1. Preliminaries

a. Declarations of Interest

To remind Councillors of the need to record the existence and nature of any Personal, Disclosable or Pecuniary or other interests in items on the agenda, in accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct.

2. Apologies for Absence

a. *To receive* apologies for inability to attend the meeting.

3. Open Forum

4. Minutes

- a. Motion (proposed Councillor Spring, seconded Councillor Barnes): that the Minutes of Council held on 11 October 2021 (minutes previously circulated) are a correct record.
The Chairman will sign the minutes. **Clerk**

5. Matters Arising from Previous Minutes

- a. 18/125 g. i. WBC email regarding establishment of footpath from Hill Gardens to Green Hill. A Law has received some objections, including one from a resident who believes there is a covenant in place for the land. A section of woodland behind the pre-school/school is owned by WBC Education Department. No details of a covenant have been found by WBC Property or Education Departments.

The remaining larger area is Open Access Land.

27 evidence forms sent to S Higgins, WBC, on 8 August 2018. The next step is to apply for a public footpath. S Higgins has supplied all forms and will assist with the process. Council instructed the Clerk to proceed with completion of the forms. Clarification received from WBC on 'evidence' required.

12 new evidence forms collected. Further attempts have met with some opposition to the footpath.

The first stage has been completed. Documents and additional evidence sent to WBC. The next stage is to post notices to owners of land. **Clerk**

- b. 19/026 iii. The Primary School Eco group is looking for projects. Councillor Coyle has two ideas which need further development:
- Scope for inclusion in the wildflower meadow project
 - Plastic recycling. Collection of recyclables currently not collected by WBC.

Ideas put forward included a walking bus and giving assistance to elderly allotment owners. Councillor Coyle was due to meet with Mrs Dineen (School Governor responsible for Eco) but due to the lockdown this was delayed. Councillor Coyle in discussions with SAS. **LC**

20/027 i. Councillor Ashmore referred Councillor Coyle to a scheme from TerraCycle whereby schools could receive money from collecting and recycling otherwise hard to recyclable products. Ongoing. **LC**

- c. 19/074 i. High Street traffic. WBC conducted a survey of High Street in October 2019. A further survey, including a weekend, was carried out in Spring 2020. The data volumes were comparable with the private survey carried out (for the Limeswell planning application) in November 2018. One point that came out was that when traffic travelling from

Goring was held at the bottom of High Street, due to oncoming traffic, this affected the traffic detection loop and caused a shorter cycle at the lights for the traffic from the Goring direction. The lights can be changed to take this into account, but this may not make a great difference to traffic flows. A further video survey was conducted from Thursday 15th to Sunday 18th October 2020.

19/141 xi. When plans are in place for Streatley High Street they will be discussed with Goring PC.

JS

District Councillor Law met with WBC officers on 5th May to discuss the data followed by a zoom meeting on 21st July between WBC, District Councillor Alan Law, and representatives of the Parish Council to consider the findings and potential solutions before consultation with residents.

Council discussed the proposed survey. It was agreed:

- to let the option of a car park in the meadows remain
- that the survey would be for residents of Streatley only, since commissioned jointly with WBC (who are meeting any costs involved). In addition, it would be impossible to determine where to limit the boundary of the area whose residents might use the road
- that the surveys would be hand delivered to/collected from all houses. Options for this are to be investigated
- that more than one response would be allowed per household subject to number of occupants. Councillor Spring to adapt wording.
- responders could give up to 2 preferred options
- that the letter and options would be put on the web site

NB

NB

Clerk to look at the number of homes in Streatley Parish and costs/options for printing. There are 400 homes on the electoral roll and there are homes not listed. Suggest 500 copies printed.

Action Completed

Two quotes for printing have been received:

- Goring Press – 1 double sided A4 and 2 single sided A4 sheets - £155 + VAT (including delivery).
- Copy Centre - £212 + £8 delivery.

It was agreed to proceed with Goring Press but request 2 double sided sheets (Explanation of options on reverse of Survey form).

Following comments from Councillor Smith, Councillor Spring will update the explanation of options and circulate for comment.

It was also agreed to add text at the bottom of the survey for confirmation that the responder is a resident of Streatley.

JS

It was suggested that a box for collection of completed surveys is kept outside at The Bull. Councillors Robertson and Anderson to investigate options.

MR/SA

- d. 19/108 d i. SPC labels attached to 6 salt bins in Streatley. Remaining 3 (Stichens Green) to be done.

MR/Clerk

- e. 19/139 a ii. The process for listing The Bull public house as an Asset of Community Value is under way and Councillor Jubb sent the completed form to WBC.

The panel determined that The Bull did not meet the criteria for listing as the letting rooms brought it into the hotel category and most of the income is from the hotel business. There was also a comment that the submission did not include backing from individual members of the public.

District Councillor Law recommended that Council pursues the matter further and would like to be informed when the Council is ready to reapply.

23 letters of support have now been received. Councillor Spring has written a thank you letter to GGN and has received useful information from CAMRA. All have now been passed to Councillor Jubb to work on the resubmission process.

Councillor Jubb to speak with a local village that has been through this process and then consult with District Councillor Law before resubmitting the application. Ongoing.

Councillor Jubb asked District Councillor Law if there was any involvement of Marstons in the decision to reject SPC's previous application.

MJ

- f. 20/040 f ii. Clerk to obtain name badges for Councillors Jubb, Smith and Anderson plus the Clerk. WBC can provide these.

Clerk

- g. 21/094 xlv. Councillor Spring spoke with St Mary's Church regarding plans for a beacon for the Queen's platinum jubilee 2nd June 2022.

Insurance for a beacon on the church proved expensive in the past but the church is willing to join in with any plans by the Parish Council and a beacon on Lardon Chase will be investigated. Councillor Jubb to speak with National Trust about this.

MJ

- h. 21/127 a. Councillor Barnes to inform HoSCT of the options for responses to the traffic survey.

NB

- i. 21/127 d. Clerk to arrange repair to gatepost to enclosed play area. Fencing contractor contacted – awaiting response.

Clerk

6. Report of the West Berkshire Councillor

7. Planning

- a. Decisions made in between meetings (papers previously circulated)**
None.

b. Applications for Planning Permission

- i. 21/02486/FUL Linden Cottage, Reading Road.
Erection of agricultural barn and two general purpose field shelters.

Motion (proposed Councillor Robertson, seconded Councillor Barnes): that Streatley Parish Council do not object to this application.

- c. Planning matters received since the agenda was circulated (papers circulated prior to the meeting).**

None.

d. Decisions by WBC

- i. 21/02246/HOUSE 21/02247/LBC2 West Streatley House High Street.
Section 73A: Vary condition 5 (obscure glazing) of approved application
19/01227/HOUSE.

Council objected to this application on the grounds that the non-obscured window overlooks the neighbouring property.
Approved 21 October.

- ii. 21/02358/COND1 and 21/02360/COND Little Shaw, High Street.
Application for approval of details of reserved conditions.
Approved 21 October.

- iii. 21/02043/HOUSE Lower Thurle Rectory Road.
Single storey extension.

Council objected to this application on the grounds that it includes a completely independent annex that could be used as a separate dwelling, which is outside of the village settlement boundary. If West Berks are so inclined to grant this application, we request a stipulation that the annex should not be used as a separate dwelling or used on a commercial basis.

Council acknowledged the amended plans received 6 October and agreed that no further comment was required.
Approved 22 October.

e. Applications debated at previous meeting still pending WBC consideration.

- i. 21/02105/FULD The Old Golf House, Rectory Road.
Demolition of existing dwelling and construction of replacement dwelling, ancillary garage outbuilding and associated landscaping works.

Council does not object to this application.

- ii. 21/02291/HOUSE Cleeve Court Cottage.
Two storey side extension.

Council does not object to this application.

- iii. 21/02439/HOUSE & 21/02440/LBC2 4 Icknield Cottages, High Street.
Rear first floor extension, internal alterations, alterations to rear out building, new doors, timber framed roof lantern, outside lighting and construction of new brick & flint garden wall.

Streatley Parish Council does not object to this application but comments that they recognised the concerns of neighbours regarding loss of light and the existing drainage issues which may be exacerbated by an upstairs bathroom.

f. Other planning (and licensing) matters

- i. 21/02337/FUL The Royal Berkshire Shooting School, Tomb Farm, Ashampstead
(Out of Area).
Replacement of an existing manual scaffold shooting tower with a motor powered tubular shooting tower.

8. Finance Matters

a. Payments made between meetings.

None.

b. Payment of Accounts received by Council.

- i. £4977.75. PWLB. Loan Payment (paid by Direct debit). [Appendix 8 b i.](#)

Motion (proposed Councillor Spring, seconded Councillor Barnes): that the above invoice be approved for payment.

c. Receipts

- i. £1517.10. HMRC Q2 VAT reimbursement.

d. Other Finance Matters

- i. *To receive and approve* a bank reconciliation as of 31st October (previously circulated).
- ii. *To acknowledge* payment of the Clerk's salary on 1st November.
- iii. *To acknowledge* that no CIL payment is due for 1st May – 30th September 2021.
- iv. *To complete* Dispensation forms ahead of budget process.
- v. *To acknowledge* start of the budget process for 2022/3.

9. Specific Matters for Discussion/Decision

a. Councillor Portfolios

To agree Councillor portfolios and responsibilities. [Appendix 9 a i.](#)

b. Wildflower seeds

To agree where and when to plant the seeds provided by WBC.

c. Tree Saplings

To agree where and when to plant the trees.

10. Reports on:

a. Heart of Streatley Charitable Trust

To receive a report from Councillor Barnes.

b. Website/IT

To receive a report from Councillor Barnes.

c. Allotment Society.

To receive a report from Councillor Smith.

d. Recreation Ground

To receive a report from FoSRG.

e. Neighbourhood Action Group

To receive a report from Councillor Jubb.

f. St Mary's Church

To receive a report from Councillor Spring.

g. Traffic and Highways

To receive a report from Councillor Jubb.

11. Correspondence (not dealt with elsewhere in the agenda)

12th October. Berkshire Archaeological Society. Poster. [Appendix 11.1.](#)

- 12th October. Town & Country Planning Association. Introduction. [Appendix 11.2.](#)
- 12th October. WBC Press Release. Let's Get Active Fund supports Educafe Free Fitness Classes. [Appendix 11.3.](#)
- 13th October. North Wessex Downs Landscape Trust. Autumn 2021 Newsletter. [Appendix 11.4.](#)
- 14th October. BALC. October Newsletter. [Appendix 11.5.](#)
- 15th October. CCB. Action for All E-Bulletin. [Appendix 11.6.](#)
- 15th October. WBC. Invitation West Berkshire Community Climate Forum. [Appendix 11.7.](#)
- 15th October. BALC. AGM 2021. [Appendix 11.8.](#)
- 15th October. West Berkshire Therapy Centre, Music Fund Raiser. [Appendix 11.9.](#)
- 16th October. CCB. Annual General Meeting, 11th November 2021. [Appendix 11.10.](#)
- 19th October. West Berkshire Demand Responsive Transport. [Appendix 11.11.](#)
- 19th October. WBC. Christmas Fayre, Light Switch On and Halloween Events. [Appendix 11.12.](#)
- 20th October. WBC Press Release. Support for vulnerable households now available through the new Household Support Fund. [Appendix 11.13.](#)
- 22nd October. WBC Press Release. WBC's Lynne Doherty shortlisted for Leader of the Year Award. [Appendix 11.14.](#)
- 23rd October. J. Boler. MIGGS AGM. [Appendix 11.15.](#)
- 28th October. NALC. New report on climate change. [Appendix 11.16.](#)
- 28th October. P. King. High Street. [Appendix 11.17.](#)
- 29th October. SSE Contracting is now known as Enerveo. [Appendix 11.18.](#)

12. Items Raised by Councillors

13. Open Forum

14. Next Meeting – 13th December 2021