

Virtual meeting of Charlbury Town Council held on Wednesday 24th February 2021 at 7.30p.m.

Members Present: Mr R Fairhurst (Chairman), Mr P Kenrick, Dr A Merry, Mr R N Potter, Mr V Hill, Mr R Puttick, Mrs J Burroughs, Mrs K Broughton, Ms N Ely, Mr P Morgan, and Ms L Reason.

Apologies: Mr R Prew.

Also in attendance: Ms L Leffman and four members of the public.

The Chairman welcomed those present and reminded them that public participation was only possible for a short period by prior arrangement. No such applications had been received.

1. To receive the minutes of the last meeting

Mr Potter proposed that the minutes be signed as a correct record, seconded by Mr Kenrick and agreed.

2. To deal with matters arising.

Cottsway. Mr Kenrick had circulated a course of action proposed by the working group which covered all issues previously considered. It went on to set out a series of conditions of engagement and transparency. These were agreed. Meeting to be arranged subject to acceptance of conditions, all without prejudice. Proposed Mr Potter seconded Dr Merry and agreed.

Wigwell House. Planning Breach. No reply yet from WODC.

Honorary Citizens Award. Nominations requested by 5pm on March 31st. Quote for 2020 award names to be obtained (to add to Honours Board)

Wilderness. Expected to take place this year.

Walkers are Welcome. Report submitted.

Elections. Scheduled for 6th May. Candidates needed.

3. Declaration of Interest.

Dr Merry and Mr Fairhurst declared an interest as cheque recipients.

4. To sign orders for payment/ receive report.

The Clerk had previously circulated a list of accounts to be paid and went on to explain these. Mr Morgan proposed that the accounts be paid this being seconded by Mrs Broughton and agreed. Accordingly cheques were signed by two Councillors.

5. To receive a report from the Planning Committee.

The following plans were considered:

21/00014/OUT Erect detached dwelling at 7 Hughes Close.

1. We have no objection but ask that the highest standards of energy efficiency be used in view of climate change.

21/00029/HHD & 21/00030/LBC Internal and external alterations at Kerby Cottage, Sheep Street.

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21/00036/HHD Alterations at 14, Nine Acres Close.

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(N.B. Mr Fairhurst made no comment on this application save to declare an interest.)

21/00144/HHD Extensions at Shadbolts, Hixet Wood.

1. We have no objection but ask that the highest standards of energy efficiency be used in view of climate change.

21/00162/HHD Conversions and extensions at Lamorna, Stonesfield Lane.

1. We have no objection and applaud the attention given to sustainability and addressing the challenges of the climate emergency, including the deployment of a ground source heat pump.

21/00163/HHD Alterations and additions at Gladstone House, 2 Wychwood View, Woodstock Road.

1. There appear to be some errors in the application form (Section 13 ownership certificates) and attached notices which give the address as Chadlington instead of Charlbury. House number given as 1 instead of 2.
2. Energy efficiency must be a particular concern for such a large glass structure as proposed but this is not addressed in the D&A statement or anywhere else in the plans. (Policy NE9 of the emerging N/H Plan). This is relevant in view of climate change.
3. Otherwise no objection.

21/00146/HHD Construct garage, gym and outdoor pool at Brockwell House, Spelsbury Road.

1. We have no objection but in the interests of efficient use of energy and climate change we are concerned at the lack of information regarding:
 - a. Associated equipment (Plant room).
 - b. If the pool is to be heated could a commitment to minimising nett energy consumption be gained i.e installing solar panels or ground/air source heat pump?

21/00197/HHD Front extension at Florence Corner, Fishers lane

1. We have no objection but ask that the highest standards of energy efficiency be used in view of climate change.

21/00231/FUL Extensions at Bowls Club, Ticknell Piece Road.

1. We have no objection but ask that the highest standards of energy efficiency be used in view of climate change.
2. We welcome the improvements to this very well used facility.

Appeal Decision.. **19/02855/FUL** The Gables 10, Enstone Road.

WODC refusal of consent to build a house on part of the plot was upheld by the Inspector.

6. To deal with Correspondence.

Mr V Hill. Resignation as Council representative on the Corner House committee/ trustee. Mr Potter suggested that this be dealt with at the annual meeting in May.

ATIC/Dementia Friendly Charlbury. Grant thanks noted.

Daniella Jenkins. Tiny Forest proposal. To be taken to EWG for Anne Millers view on this. Possibly of more interest in an urban environment. Reply accordingly.

7. To consider the Neighbourhood Forum.

Mr Kenrick reported that there was little to add. 72 modifications are with WODC planning policy to agree. Referendum date not yet known but WODC will arrange.

8. To consider an agenda for the Working Group Meeting(10th March)

In view of the Covid restrictions this meeting will not take place.

9. To consider the APM.

The meeting will not take place as previously advertised.

10. To receive a report from the EWG Group.

Ms Reason had circulated a note to update all Councillors on projects in hand. Reference to a sum of £25K being allocated in the budget for 2021/22 was corrected to £14,250.

11. To receive an Audit Report

None yet received.

12. To receive reports.

- a. Cemetery. All well.
- b. Corner House and Memorial Hall. CIO to go ahead. Trustees have volunteered. The Chairman read out a list of the proposed trustees.
- c. Mill Field, Watery Lane and Bridges. See report
- d. Nine Acres. See report.
- e. Quarry Lane and Ticknell. See report.
- f. Wigwell. Ideas to be discussed via a Zoom meeting. Council to be kept informed.
- g. Gifford Trust. Report circulated. Work by MKJ to be questioned to avoid clash with Farmers Market.
- h. School Governor Report circulated. Letter to be sent to thank all staff for their efforts during the pandemic.
- i. Transport/ Station. Little to report. Buses back to normal around March 8th.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8-34p.m.

SignedChairman

