

PITSTONE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting held on 17 September 2020
via electronic log-in commencing at 7.30pm

General Matters:

170/20 ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

1. Council present via video conferencing

Cllr Nicholls (Chair), Cllr Saintey (Vice Chair), Cllr Mrs Crutchfield, Cllr Mrs Stoddart, Cllr McCarthy, Cllr Blunt, Cllr Hawkins plus the Parish Clerk Mrs Eagling.

2. Others present via video conferencing

Residents Mr & Mrs North and Mr Keen, plus Parish Assistant S Davies.

3. Apologies

It was **RESOLVED** to accept apologies from Cllr Mitra (poor health) and Cllr Dr Frearson (work commitment).

4. Absent

Cllr Weber.

171/20 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATION REQUESTS

It was noted that all councillors have standing declarations of interest as the council, as a corporate body, is trustee of the Recreation Ground Charity and Pitstone Parish Charity.

Cllr Crutchfield declared interests as an allotment tenant/member of PAA and as a trustee of Pitstone Memorial Hall Charity. Cllr Saintey declared interests as an allotment tenant and Chair of National Trust Ashridge Estates Committee. Neither had related agenda items.

Cllr Blunt subsequently declared an interest in the agenda item relating to IT procurement, as both contracting parties were known to him. Cllr Blunt did not participate in this debate or voting for this agenda item.

172/20 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC/PRESS

It was **RESOLVED** to permit representations relating to planning applications at the appropriate point during the meeting. No other questions were tabled from the public gallery. No councillors with declared interests wished to speak about those matters during the public session.

173/20 REPORTS FROM UNITARY COUNCILLORS

Neither Buckinghamshire Councillor Derek Town nor Sandra Jenkins were present.

174/20 MINUTES OF THE MEETING held on 30/7/2020.

It was **RESOLVED** that the draft minutes of the Pitstone Parish Council Meeting held on 20 August 2020 were a true and accurate record. The Chairman was duly authorised to sign them on behalf of the council.

175/20 CORRESPONDENCE

The list of correspondence received was noted.

Committee Matters:

176/20 PLANNING COMMITTEE – CLLR CRUTCHFIELD, CHAIR OF COMMITTEE

1. Applications

- a. **4 The Pightle, 20/02682/APP**, erection of a 1.8m wooden fence, wholly within the left-hand side boundary of the property and behind the front elevation line (retrospective). It was **RESOLVED** to permit verbal representations to be made by both the applicant and a neighbour. Other comments visible on the Planning Portal were noted.

Following consideration it was **RESOLVED** to advise Buckinghamshire Council that the Parish Council was opposed to this application on the following grounds:

- * the height of the fence given the proximity to the highways boundary
- * the impairment of visibility

Council understands that there are outstanding questions relating to a covenant on this land, which fall outside our area of expertise and therefore request that Buckinghamshire Council investigate appropriately.

Council also understands that there are current negotiations between the applicant

and Buckinghamshire Council highways regarding the reinstatement of the highways land, which the parish council also defers to Buckinghamshire Council on. The residents were thanked for attending and then departed the meeting.

- b. **36 Albion Road, 20/02734/APP**, erection of a temporary garage on front drive. The council received a number of verbal representations relating to this application. Following consideration, it was **RESOLVED** to advise Buckinghamshire Council that the Parish Council was opposed to this application on the following grounds:
 - * the building would be significantly in front of the building line along this side of Albion Road
 - * the construction of the building, with concrete tiled roof, does not imply that it will be 'temporary' as the application states
 - * the plans submitted do not include accurate measurements but the scale & massing appear to be too large for the location
 - * the resulting loss of parking at this property will have a negative impact on the volume of on street parking along Albion RoadShould Buckinghamshire Council be minded to approve the application, the parish council requests that a condition be imposed limiting the duration of time that the building can remain erected, directly correlating to whatever the initial requirement for the temporary structure may be. The application does not define why the building may only be required temporarily, nor for how long, and there is a concern that it will become permanent.
 - c. **6 Warwick Road, 20/02544/ACL**, application for Lawful Development Certificate for the proposed single storey rear extension. Buckinghamshire Council not consulting. No objections were received by the parish council following the neighbour notification program.
 - d. None of these applications required the parish council to request Buckinghamshire Councillor D Town recommend call-in to committee.
 - e. New applications now received re land to the rear of 140 Vicarage Road and 7 Church Road. It was **RESOLVED** to add these to the agenda of the full parish council meeting on 24/9/2020.
2. Decisions notified by Buckinghamshire Council

Colbree Engineering, 66 Marsworth Road and 14 Williamson Way had all been granted permission by Buckinghamshire Council. PPC had tendered no objections.
 3. Applications outstanding with Buckinghamshire Council

The Rear of the Bell/Haldi, Land adjacent to the Duke of Wellington PH, 11 The Pightle and 13 Glebe Close.
 4. Enforcement outstanding with Buckinghamshire Council

7 Church Road (20/00102/CON3) and Land to the Rear of 140 Vicarage Road (20/00179/CON3). Both now have new planning applications submitted, so no enforcement will be determined until these have been determined.

It was **RESOLVED** to advise Buckinghamshire Council of a potential breach of planning at 27 Campbell Lane, where planning had been refused for a fence but it is now being installed.
 5. Other

It was **RESOLVED** to note receipt of the briefings from Buckinghamshire Council on the changes to planning legislation that came into effect in September 2020.

Other Matters:

177/20 NALC/MHCLG CONSULTATIONS

It was **RESOLVED** that no response was required to the 3 consultations on Changes to the Current Planning System, Planning for The Future and Call for Evidence on Data on Land Control.

178/20 PAVILION IT REQUIREMENTS

Following consideration of the quotations, it was **RESOLVED** to appoint Tanswell Technology to supply & install the IT requirements at the pavilion (£579), and to provide ongoing support (£45 including broadband).

179/20 OTHER REPORTS

None.

180/20 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the full Parish Council is scheduled for 24/9/20.

181/20 CLOSURE OF MEETING

There being no further business to be transacted, the Chairman closed the meeting at 20.30.

Signed: *D Nicholls*

Date: *27/9/20*

Chairman