

WENDOVER PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting 2nd November 2021 at 7.00pm St Anne's Hall

Present: Councillors Stephen Worth, Jennifer Ballantine, Diane Washington, Sheila Bulpett (Ex-Officio), Sam Walker, Jo Durden-Moore

Clerk: Louise Hayday

Chair: Councillor Ballantine

Members of Public: 2

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

P21/175 Apologies were received from Councillor Standen and they were accepted.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

P21/176 None

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

P21/177 None

4. MINUTES

P21/178 The minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 5th October 2021, were AGREED as a true record and the Chairman signed them, the meeting of 19th October 2021 was cancelled.

5. DECISIONS

P21/179 The decisions made by Buckinghamshire Council on applications listed on the 2nd November 2021 agenda were noted.

6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

P21/180 The following Planning Applications were considered, and decisions made: -

21/04069/APP 6 Carrington Crescent Wendover Buckinghamshire HP22 6AW

Wendover Parish Council – Objection. Overbearing nature of proposal and concern that the front extension exceeds beyond the building line.

21/04122/APP Land To The North West Of Tring Road Wendover HP22 5PN

Wendover Parish Council – No Objection

7. CLERK'S REPORT INCLUDING HISTORY AND CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk's report was NOTED and AGREED as read.

20/01480 Beech Lodge Bacombe Lane Wendover Bucks HP22 6EQ Appeal Ref 21/00073/FTHA

P21/181 The applicants of Beech Lodge put in an appeal against the refusal for planning permission by Buckinghamshire Council. The appeal would run from the 8th October for 4 weeks.

21/02407/APP HS2 – Durham Farm Durham Lane Wendover HP22 6PX

P21/182 The agent working on behalf of the owners of Durham Farm put in a complaint against Buckinghamshire Council on 18th October 2021. The owners had lost their homestead due to the proximity to HS2 and the agent was complaining with regard to the Council's indifferent and disinterested attitude over the last 5 years where a planning decision was still awaited.

Section 116 of the Highways Act 1980 RE: The end of the World, Aylesbury Road Wendover

P21/183 On 12th October a courtesy letter was received from Legal and Democratic Services at Buckinghamshire Council advising that they were applying to High Wycombe Magistrates' Court sitting at The Law Courts Easton Street High Wycombe Buckinghamshire HP11 1LR on 24th November 2021 in Court 1 at 2.00 p.m. for an order to stop up the Existing Highway pursuant to section 116 of the Act. This was because the part of the highway was no longer required as it was outside the new nursery.

Buckinghamshire Council Planning Enforcement Update

P21/184 The Planning Enforcement have now updated the planning website to continue our 'bringing together' of the legacy enforcement team. One very recent step taken is to amalgamate the webpages. There is now a new link for reporting alleged breaches of planning control:-

<https://www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/planning-and-building-control/having-a-say-and-reporting-issues/report-a-planning-breach/>

Freedom of Information Request 21/01168/APP 32 The Village Gate PH 225 Aylesbury Road Wendover

P21/185 Following a complaint made by the agent working on behalf of The Village Gate application the Senior Information Request Officer at Buckinghamshire Council emailed on 25th October stating that all documents between 16th August and 4th October 2021 could be shared to the "world at large", including correspondence from Wendover Parish Council subject to agreement. Any decisions to withhold such documents would need to be justified and the Clerk agreed that she had no objection to this. The Clerk of Planning shared the document in question with the planning committee where it had been clearly stated by Wendover Parish Council Planning Committee, that any decision regarding planning approval would need to be made via Buckinghamshire Planning. The Wendover Parish Council had not objected to the application and could not call in an application as too much time had elapsed.

8. HS2

Andrew Stephenson Minister for Transport

P21/186 On 21st September 2021 a letter was received addressed to Rob Butler MP for Buckinghamshire. He stated that the proposal for a retaining wall in the north end of the tunnel would not be viable. They were unconvinced about the possibility of a mined tunnel, HS2 would help towards the sound proofing of St Marys pending the church's ability to raise some funds and HS2 had been working with Wendover Cricket Club to try and find an alternative location.

HS2 Sheet Piling Small Dean Lane

P21/187 Eiffage Kier working on behalf of HS2 advised that sheet piling works would begin at the Small Dean Viaduct 22nd-24th October 29th-31st October, 5th-7th November and 12th-14th November.

HS2 Notice of A413 Overnight Closures Great Missenden

P21/188 As part of the construction of the overnight vent shaft works, overnight closures would occur on the A413 from 18-23 October and lane closures would be in place from 9th October to 8th November 2021. Overnight closures were delayed due to rain but should be completed by 27th October 2021.

HS2 Traffic Monitoring Request Dunsmore Lane by Wendover HS2 Mitigation Group

P21/189 A member of the HS2 Mitigation Group for Wendover asked for the assistance of the Planning Committee to contact Buckinghamshire Council in seeking an additional Traffic monitoring point to be installed as part of the Buckinghamshire Council/HS2 "Hilltop Routes" network. During the recent

eviction of protestors from the encampment at Small Dean there were considerable northbound queues on the A413 resulting in some people diverting up Dunsmore Lane to get to Wendover or Aylesbury via Butlers Cross. Similar traffic activity was anticipated once Eiffage Kier start to build the Small Dean Viaduct. An email has been sent to Rod Black at Buckinghamshire Council to request the additional monitoring.

Little Missenden and The Lee Parish Councils Both Considering Withdrawing From Engagement Process

P21/190 Little Missenden Parish Council are to meet with Sir Mark Worthington on 10th November, any points to be raised need to be passed to Councillor Stephen Burke. Both Little Missenden and The Lee Parish Council are now disillusioned with the engagement process with Align as the engagement has become one way and HS2 plans given are often inaccurate and change at very short notice. These Parishes are now looking to take legal action to have their voices heard.

Update from the HS2 Working Group

P21/191 Councillor Bulpett updated on the HS2 Working Group progress, a letter calling for an independent enquiry is due to be sent at the end of the week, Rob Butler MP is currently refusing to sign it. There is a meeting scheduled with Lord Berkley on Friday 5th November to discuss posing questions to the House of Lords. A letter has been received from Laura Leech, Head of Major Projects at Buckinghamshire Council, a meeting has been requested to clarify various points in the letter relating schedule 17 (9) and Bringing into Use. A member of the HS2 Working Group asked when Buckinghamshire Council would be enforcing the informatives they are placing on HS2.

9. DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT MEETINGS AND STRATEGIC MEETINGS

P21/192 It was NOTED that the next Central Buckinghamshire Area Planning Committee Meeting was due to take place on 11th November 2021 at 2.30pm.

<https://buckinghamshire.moderngov.co.uk/ieListMeetings.aspx?CId=359&Year=2020>

The next Strategic Sites Committee Meeting was due to take place on 18th November 2021 at 2.00pm.

<https://buckinghamshire.moderngov.co.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=362&MId=527&Ver=4>

10. MATTERS OF REPORT

P21/193 Councillor Ballantine reported that she had attended a recent meeting on Buckinghamshire Council Planning and Enforcement and stated that the amount of vacancies currently within the planning department are slowing the process down considerably.

11. CLOSURE OF MEETING

P21/194 As all business was transacted the meeting closed at 7.18pm.

Signed by *Jennifer Ballantine*

Chairman to the Planning Committee

Date: 16th November 2021