Minutes of a meeting of Waltham St Lawrence Parish Council held on 9th January 2018 in The Neville Hall at 7pm



Mike Kay - Chairman, John Birkett - Vice Chairman, Clive Scott-Hopkins, Mark Hipgrave, Present: Katie Sarsfield, Maggi Bevan, Suzy Young & MJ Streather (Clerk)

Also present: 34	members of the public	
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	Public Question Time: Many members of the Parish were present to discuss the Planning Application for Bellman Hanger. No other matters were raised	
FC304/1/2018	Apologies: None were received	
FC305/1/2018	Minutes: The minutes of the meeting held on 5 th December 2017 were approved by the Council and signed by the Chairman	
FC306/1/2018	Declaration of Interests: No interests declared.	
FC307/1/2018	Significant matters arising from the December 2018 minutes:	
	Campaign for the Protection of Rural Ruscombe (CPRW) Residents had been canvassed on their opinion (via Lych-gate, FB page and the WSL website) as regards to supporting this initiative via the Precept. There were 15 responses of those 14 were Positive. 1 was negative The meeting was canvassed as to their opinion and the audience showed an overwhelming support for the pledge. The Parish Council resolved to fund a pledge of £1500pa by increasing the precept if necessary	Chairman/Clerk
	Open Space and Nature Reserve Provision will be made to support the start up of this initiative in the Precept	
FC308/1/2018	Planning Applications 17/03693 Permitted Devt extended Fernbank, The Straight Mile, SR, RG10 0QN. Single storey rear extension no greater than 7.9, depth, 4m high and an eaves height of 2.7m Parish Council had no objection	Clerk
	17/03720 FULL 3 Paddock View Waltham St Lawrence Reading RG10 0RF Construction of a rear dormer with a pitched roof to facilitate loft conversion Parish Council had no objection	Clerk

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	17/03903 OUTLINE Bellman Hanger, Shurlock Row,RG10 OPL Outline application (access and layout) for the construction of 18 dwellings with associated access, parking, turning and landscaping following demolition of the existing buildings and hardstanding. Parish Council has strong objections Copy of submission attached. This was not attached.	Clerk
	17/03825 FULL 1 Dene Cottages, Milley Rd, WSL, RG10 0JU Part single storey rear extension, first floor side/front extension with associated works and replacement garage Parish Council had no objection	Clerk
	17/03780 Variation Under Reg 73 Aishas Meadow Shurlock Road Waltham St Lawrence Reading Variation of Condition 6 (under Section 73A) to substitute approved plans for the amended plans and removal of Lagoon Detail Plan for the extension of agricultural barn, new access, creation of 3 x lagoons, fencing, hardstanding and gates, approved under 16/00816/FULL Parish Council had no objection	Clerk
FC309/1/2018	Trees in Conservation Area	
	No applications received.	
FC310/1/2018	Plans that have arrived in the last couple of days 17/03749 FULL Heath Lodge, Beenhams Heath RG10 0QE Single storey front extension Parish Council had no objection	Clerk
FC311/1/2018	Other Planning Matters Travellers Site This issue had been again raised with Andy Jeffs,. No current evidence of any clearance. There had been reports that the landowner is considering installing gates closer to the highway. Downfield Tip No update Campaign for the Protection of Rural Wokingham - Ruscombe See above under significant issues and also under Finance	
FC312/1/2018	Enforcement Notices & Appeals The Shurlock Inn Clive Scott Hopkins continues to liaise with RBWM enforcement and to resolve the outstanding issues	
FC313/1/2018	Neighbourhood Plan Update No Update. To be removed from the Agenda	
FC314/1/2018	Finance No Cheques to be approved Payroll approved according to Contracts	

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	Reports from Representatives who attended meetings representing the Parish Council	
	Thames Water Mark Hipgrave to seek to join the planned RBWM meeting with Thames Water Allotments – Nothing to update	Mark Hipgrave
	The Pound – it is understood that the components have been made Update on the proposed Parish Storage shed still awaited Ditches & Allotments	
	Nothing to update Capital Projects:	
	Nothing to update Parish Maintenance:	
	Burial Ground:	
	RBWM had moved their recent speed_watch exercise due to a lack of pavements along Milley Road (health and safety). Suzy Young will continue to liaise	Suzy Young
	Highways	
	Bridleways & Footpaths Nothing to update	
	Nothing to update	
	Communications:	
	The Old School, The Street, Shurlock Row, RG10 0PR 07956 217783 Budget available from BALC_to purchase Laptop, Scanner/Printer and Software, It was agreed that an application would be made. Clerk to liaise with Katie Sarsfield and Simon Shaw	Clerk
	Adoption of a phone box at Milley Bridge - Usage ideas requested Correspondence with the Clerk all through:	
	taken to the Privy Council	
	Discontinuation of Burials in St Lawrence's Churchyard - this has been	
<u>1 C313/1/2016</u>	Report from the Clerk	
FC315/1/2018	from the Capital Reserve. Reports from Representatives	
	Pound and any other net capital expenditure in 2017/18 would be drawn	
	Reserve. Further it was agreed that expenditure on the replacement of the	
	£1,400 would be transferred from the General Reserve to the Capital	RFO
	It was resolved that £400 would be transferred from the General Reserve to the War Memorial Maintenance Reserve. In addition it was resolved that	
	Precept at £22,500. The detailed budget for 2018/19 was approved. The Clerk to complete the Precept return for RBWM.	
	Ruscombe campaign (£1,500). The Parish Council agreed to set the 2018/19	
	The £5,000 increase on the previous £17,500 was made up of half a year's maintenance for the Nature Reserve (£3,500) and the pledge for the	Clerk
	2018/19 was £22,500 rather than £26,000 as stated in the draft budget.	
	covering the entire campaign. Therefore the WSL budget requirement for	
	request for 2018/19 was c£1,500 and not the previously understood £5,000	
	Following recent correspondence with CPRW it was noted that the funding	

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	A meeting had been held immediately prior to this meeting with Andy Jeffs	
	and David Scott of RBWM following up matters previously discussed	
FC/316/1/2018	Correspondence	
	Motorway bridge over the M4 will be closed for 2 weeks from Feb 8 th - Noted	
	Wokingham $\frac{1}{2}$ Marathon is 18^{th} Feb, there will be road closures. Clerk to ask they clear their rubbish promptly	Clerk
	The Chairman of the WSL Charities asked the Parish Council to nominate Jeremy McEvett as a new Trustee. The Parish Council resolved to approve the appointment for 4 years from 9 th January 2018	Richard Sykes
	A.O.B	
	None	
	Date of next site visit	
	Saturday 3 rd February 2018 at 9am	
FC/317/1/2018	Date of next meeting	
	Parish Council meeting 6 th February 2018 at 7pm	
	The meeting closed at 8.55pm & the confidential meeting commenced.	