

DEERHURST PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday, 11 January 2023 in Apperley Village Hall

Present: Len Attard – Chairman
Laura Bromberg
Ben Oldham
Jim Pollard
John Rutter
Jonathan Smith
Fiona Wallbank – Clerk

Parishioners: 2 (partial attendance)

1 APOLOGIES: Councillor Wilkes and CC Awford and BC McClain

2 MINUTES OF MEETING: The minutes of the meeting held on the Wednesday, 30 November 2022, having been circulated with the agenda were agreed and signed by the Chairman.

3 DECLARATION OF INTEREST: None

4 REPORTS FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR AWFORD: None

REPORT FROM BOROUGH COUNCILLOR MCLAIN: Report circulated to Councillors

5 PUBLIC COMMENT: Relating to 22/0109/App & 22/01177/FUL

6 PLANNING:

6.1 Applications:

22/01009/APP 1 Court Drive, Apperley: Application for approval of reserved matters (appearance, landscaping, layout & scale) pursuant to outline planning permission 21/00054/OUT

Comments to Tewkesbury Borough Council:

The Parish Council has no adverse comments to this application

22/01174/FUL Land adjacent to The Newtons, School Road, Apperley: Approval of Reserved Matters (scale, layout, appearance, landscaping) pursuant to outline consent 21/00559/OUT for the erection of one dwelling

Comments to Tewkesbury Borough Council:

The Parish Council strongly object to this application on the grounds that there is confusion with the 4 documents uploaded for this application in January and await clarification. There is a document "block plan", a "proposed block plan" and a "Block plan: as proposed"

22/01177/FUL Bushey House, Court Drive, Apperley: Approval of reserved matters (layout, scale, appearance and landscaping) pursuant to 20/00999/FUL

Comments to Tewkesbury Borough Council:

The Parish Council has no adverse comments to this application

22/01147/FUL Land Adjacent to Apperley House, School Road, Apperley: Variation of condition 2 21/00318/FUL and removal of condition 3 (revision)

Comments to Tewkesbury Borough Council:

The Parish Council continue to strongly object to this application however note that our concern has been addressed regarding the additional window opening proposed for the front elevation has been removed

22/0036/TWR3MJ Coombe Hill Junction, Tewkesbury Road, Coombe Hill, Gloucester, Gloucestershire. Improvements to the existing junction of the A38 and A4019 at Coombe Hill, consisting of the upgrading of the existing left turn lane from the A38 onto the A4019 with a longer signal controlled left turn lane, improved facilities for pedestrians and cyclists, and associated infrastructure.

Comments to Gloucestershire County Council:

All Deerhurst Parish Council's original comments still stand especially regarding the proposed lighting scheme will have on a "dark sky" area.

6.2 TBC Decisions: 22/00877/FUL & 22/00878/LBC Old Farm House, Lower Apperley: To deconstruct an existing retaining wall that is in poor condition then re-construct the retaining wall - **Granted**

6.3 Appeals/Appeal Decisions: None

6.4 Neighbourhood Plan: Councillor Bromberg reported that unfortunately the public meeting when the NDP would be presented to the public has had to be postponed. Date to be advised.

7 FINANCIAL MATTERS:

7.1 Accounts for payment and receipts:

Payments for December:

	Item	Expenditure	Income	Comment
1	Clerk's salary – December Back Pay: April 2021 to March 2022 April 2022 to October 2022 Less Tax	423.39 91.56 339.20 <u>113.20</u> <u>740.95</u>		Paid
2	Inland Revenue Tax Clerk NIC PC	 113.20 <u>13.27</u> 126.47		Paid
3	AVH Hire of Hall – November meeting	15.00		Paid
4	Wa+erplus – 10.11.22 -10.12.22	21.33		Paid
5	CPRE annual subscription	36.00		Paid
	Total	£939.75	£0.00	

Payments for January:

	Item	Expenditure	Income	Comment
1	Clerk's salary – January Less Tax	423.39 <u>27.60</u> 395.79		Paid
2	Inland Revenue	27.60		Paid
	Total	£423.39	£0.00	

7.2 Financial Statement: Circulated with the agenda - the Chairman signed this.

Any Other Financial Matters:

Precept 2023/24: The Clerk reported that she had now received the band d figures for the number of properties in the parish. Whilst the precept stayed the same it will appear on the Council Tax bill that there is a reduction which will be a welcome for parishioners in these difficult times. **It was agreed to promote this good news on website and Facebook also highlighting the new website which has been created with thanks to Dean Pollard and the Clerk.**

8 MATTERS ARISING

8.1 Councillor Oldham reported as follows:

Apperley Village Hall:

- A contractor has been appointed to replace the front door
- A new oven has been purchased for the kitchen
- The on-line booking system is now up and running and working well
- Hire charges will remain the same for the time being. Charges will be made if the facilities are left in a mess or not clean

Allotment: Path still closed to ground conditions

Play area: Nothing to report

Playing Field: Nothing to report

8.2 Highways: Councillor Pollard to report the large pothole at Lower Apperley, the state of the road at Walton Hill from Manor Cottage to Manor Farm and Sawpit Lane

Snow/Ice in December: The state of the roads in Walton Hill were treacherous with residents not being able to get out of their houses for at least 5 days with no delivery drivers being able to make any drops. Deerhurst was gritted along with the B4213 so why wasn't the road in and out of Deerhurst Walton? **Clerk to email CC Awford.**

8.3 Public Rights of Way: An occupant of Greyhill Farm has been telling walkers that they are not allowed on the track from the B4213 and the paths joining it near the Farm. ADE76, ADE77 and ADE78 are probably involved; and possibly ADE74. Councillor Pollard to contact Hilary Grace at PROW to see if there is anything that can be done.

Councillor Pollard said that he had dealt with a couple of issues.

8.4 Community Speed Watch Group: Councillor Pollard said that the radar gun was due to go back. Currently the Clerk is processing an insurance claim for the stolen VAS sign.

9 CORRESPONDENCE:

The Leigh Parish Council: The Clerk to email to explain that their meeting clashed with our PC meeting however DPC are fully supportive of all their concerns.

10 MATTERS RAISED FOR NOTIFICATION: None

11 DATE FOR NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, 8 February 2023 at 7.15pm

Close of meeting 20.50 pm