

REMENHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held in the Parish Hall on 8 September 2015 starting at 6:10pm
and Concluding at 7:45pm (followed by a Public Meeting at 8:00pm)
(first circulated 14 Sept 2015)

PRESENT: Cllrs John Halsall (Chairman)
Alison Barraclough (AB)
Sue Laing (SL)
John Merkel (JM)
Darrel Poulos (DP)
Clerk: Paul Sermon

In attendance
Felicity Rutland (FR)
Linda Ashwell (LA)
David Cook

RPC had heard that Richard Fletcher (RF; Deputy Chairman of RPC) was unwell and in Royal Berkshire hospital awaiting heart surgery. A card was signed wishing him well.

106/15: APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Peter Grace (PG).

107/15: DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

108/15: MINUTES OF THE MEETING

It was AGREED that the Chairman be authorised to sign the minutes of the meeting held on 14 July 2015 as a true record of that meeting. This was to be uploaded to the website.

109/15: MATTERS ARISING

The Chairman outlined a discussion that had taken place between JH/Mary Severill (WBC)/The Clerk. It was AGREED that a new Code of Conduct (see Appendix 1) and a dispensation for councillors would be adopted. Details were to be uploaded to the website. There were no other Matters Arising, other than those appearing in the agenda of this meeting

110/15: NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN (NP)

This was covered in the 8:00 pm meeting (see item 125/15).

111/15: PLANNING

<i>New applications</i>			<i>RPC Comment Date</i>
152005	Century House, Wargrave Road	Application for the erection of a 4 bay garage, following demolition of existing 3 bay garage.	14 Sept 2015
150029	Thamesfield Cott, Wargrave Road	Application for erection of single storey rear extension (following demolition of existing extension)	9 Sept 2015
152082	Bird Place Cott, Henley Bridge	Boathouse + garage (with habitable home/sitting room/office	25 Sept 2015

Signed.....Chairman

6 Oct 2015

		accommodation in the roof space), walls, gates and close boarded boundary fence	
152118	Woodlands Way Cottage	Replace a single-storey rear extension with a new one of a similar size	23 Sept 2015
152430	Aspen (5&6 Wargrave Road)	Seeks prior approval of the erection of a single storey rear extension, which would extend beyond the rear wall of the original house by 8m, for which the maximum height would be 3.5m and the height of the eaves 3m. Need to relate to F/2015/1180;1183	25 Sept 2015
<i>Considered applications</i>			<i>WBC Decision</i>
F/2014/2310	Park Place Farm	Single storey side alteration	Approve
F/2015/1180	5/6 Wargrave Road (Aspen & Riverside)	Sheds and pillaring (retrospective)	
F/2015/1336	Arcadian Waters Remenham Hill	New dwelling, access and landscaping	
CON/2015/1230	Danesfield House Hotel	Demolition of spa; build of woodland juice bar	No objection
CLE/2015/1086	Ondine, Wargrave Road	Application for certificate of lawful use of leisure cabin	
CLE/2015/1183	5/6 Wargrave Road (Aspen & Riverside)	Certificate of lawful use	Approve

On Century House, Wargrave Road (152005) RPC considered that the new garage was substantially bigger and higher than the existing one. It was AGREED that after The Chairman consulted with the householder next door (John Friend), JH would make a holding comment to WBC Planning on the basis of inappropriateness/size in the Green Belt.

On Thamesfield Cottage, Wargrave Road (150029) it was AGREED that The Clerk would write to WBC Planning to indicate they wanted to be sure that this did not exceed the allowed volume/areal increase for the Green Belt.

Signed..........Chairman

6 Oct 2015

Bird Place Cottage, Henley Bridge (152082) it was AGREED that The Chairman would discuss this with HRR at the 8pm meeting and then take action.

On Woodlands Way Cottage (152118) it was AGREED that The Clerk would write to WBC Planning indicating no comment.

On Aspen (5&6 Wargrave Road) (152430) it was AGREED that The Chair would list this application and that The Clerk would write to WBC Planning to object to the application in terms of it being too large and an inappropriate development for the Green Belt. DP/JH indicated that they were willing to speak on the application.

116/15: WEBSITE

SL indicated that there had been 2600+ visitors to the website in July-August.

117/15: LICENSING

There was nothing to report.

118/15: TRAFFIC AND HIGHWAYS;

The Chairman reported that WBC staff had indicated that tree planting on Remenham Hill was not an option because of services 1m below the verge/pavement. AB expressed concern about the finish on the re-surfaced Aston Lane and Aston Ferry Lane; the Chair AGREED to speak to Highways staff. An accident involving a car that was undertaking a U-turn on Remenham Hill and Simon Bodle (?) was highlighted. There was concern that the matter appeared to be treated lightly by police. The Chairman advised residents to report all road accidents in Remenham in which they are involved to police. AB asked the Chairman to seek police action to check speeds of vehicles in the 30mph section of Remenham Hill. This was AGREED. There was a brief discuss on a one-way system or a signal-operated one-way flow along Remenham Lane and Church Lane.

119/15: HENLEY ISSUES

JM asked to be relieved of membership of the Townlands Committee; The Chairman agreed to take his place.

120/15: FOOTPATHS

AB reported a change of signage on footpaths across HRR land. It was AGREED that The Chairman would discuss this with WBC staff.

121/15: WOKINGHAM ISSUES

The Chairman mentioned that restructuring of policing between Wokingham/Bracknell might change levels of policing locally.

122/15: FINANCIAL MATTERS

The Clerk indicated that the external auditors had accepted RPC accounts. A notice to this effect was on the noticeboard/website. He was thanked for his efforts. No cheques were signed. JM had said that he not yet completed NatWest forms to allow him to sign cheques.

123/15: MATTERS OF REPORT/AOB

LA from the floor mentioned that she had offered 3 shrubs/plants to RPC; the Chairman AGREED to look into any issues with WBC staff.

124/15: DATE OF NEXT MEETING; 13 Oct 2015 at 8pm in the Parish Hall.

125/15: *Minutes of the Public Meetings at 8:00pm (after refreshments at 7:45pm)
(see also Henley Standard CXXX/5959, page 1,3, (11 Sept 2015))*

Signed..........Chairman

6 Oct 2015

JH: welcomed all those attending the meeting and especially Sir Steve Redgrave (SR) (and Daniel Grist) (Henley Royal Regatta) and Charlotte Geeves (CG; Henley Festival). He outlined Remenham traffic issues and then introduced Remenham's Neighbourhood Plan (NP) and a questionnaire to help to revise this. In an answer to questions from the floor he said that (i) he hoped that the NP would be revised by May 2017 and (ii) RPC would continue to oppose new building developments in the Green Belt in Remenham.

CG: described her aims for the Henley Festival, including (i) the possibility of season tickets for each night of the 5-day annual festival for local residents as one method of raising festival numbers by an average of almost 2000/night and (ii) better integration of festival times/First Great Western train times. In answer to questions from the floor, she said she was working to ensure that the Festival had both breadth and depth on each Festival evening (rather than focussing on the floating stage headline performances). She also outlined the sums coming back from the Festival to local charities.

SR: reminded that HRR had been started by townsfolk some 176 years ago, and that HRR did not control everything that occurred around the regatta. He said HRR was disappointed that RPC had not supported their application to develop the Barn Cottage site (which some from the floor said had been a significant boat club in the 1960s). The Clerk agreed to see what RPC minutes said on the matter. From the floor Charlotte Every suggested that traffic reversals around the HRR caused some problems.

Those that confirmed their attendance at 8pm were (deciphered from handwritten attendance sheets):

Name	Affiliation or RG9 postcode	Name	Affiliation or RG9 postcode
Alex Dick	Culden Faw	Felicity Rutland	
Pat Sly	3DL	Daniel Grist	HRR
Linda Ashwell	3EE	Sir Steve Redgrave	HRR
Chris Leeming	3NB	Sarah West	Remenham Manor
Emma Lerche Thomsen	3HN	Anthony West	Remenham manor
Paul Sermon	3ET	Jenny Law	3DB
Andrew Walley	Woodside	David Law	3DB
Mike Williams	Remenham Barn	Angie Emerson	3DA
Michael Dudley	3DD	Ron Emerson	3DA
June Shelton	2LB	Jim Wetherell	3DH
Barrie Shelton	2LB	Diane Sutherland	2LN
John Merkel	3HX	Justin Sutherland	
Angela Milnes	3EG	Enda Cahill	Woodview
David Milnes	3EG	Madeline Duffy	Woodview
Sue Laing	Home Farm	Neil Brown	Old School house
Simon Cawthorne		Tom Kean	Riverside Barns
Philip Plato	HWR	Mandy Sermon	3ET
Charlotte Every	Holme Farm	Gillian Murdoch	Woodcock (?) Farmhouse

Signed.....Chairman

6 Oct 2015

John Hutchinson	Tollgate, Henley Bridge	Richard Murdoch	Woodcock (?) Farmhouse
John Halsall	Cherwell	Darrel Poulos	
Marilyn Halsall	Cherwell	Marilyn Dudley	

ACTIONS REQUESTED

The Chairman to

- (i) *consult with neighbours on Century House (152005) and then list the application on the basis of inappropriateness/size in the Green Belt.*
- (ii) *consult with HRR on Bird Place Cottage (152082) where the application is for a boathouse + garage (with habitable home/sitting room/office accommodation in the roof space), walls, gates and close boarded boundary fence and then contact WBC Planning*
- (iii) *list Planning Application 152430 for Aspen (5&6 Wargrave Road) indicating that RPC objected to the application in terms of it being too large and an inappropriate development for the Green Belt and mentioning that DP/JH were willing to speak on the application*
- (iv) *indicate to the Townlands Committee that JH would replace JM*
- (v) *speak to*
 - (a) *Highways staff if the final re-surfaced finish on Aston Lane and Aston Ferry Lane were not satisfactory*
 - (b) *police about a speed check on the 30mph section of Remenham Hill*
 - (c) *WBC 'public rights of way' staff about footpaths on HRR land and*
 - (d) *WBC staff about the offer from LA of plants*

The Clerk to

- (i) *Send a card to RF*
- (ii) *Write to WBC Planning*
 - (a) *on Thamesfield Cottage, Wargrave Road (150029) to indicate they wanted to be sure that this did not exceed the allowed volume/areal expansion for the Green Belt*
 - (b) *indicating no comment on Woodlands Way Cottage (152118) where the application is to replace a single-storey rear extension with a new one of a similar size*
 - (c) *on Aspen (5&6 Wargrave Road) (152430) where the application seeks prior approval of the erection of a single storey rear extension, which would extend beyond the rear wall of the original house by 8m, for which the maximum height would be 3.5m and the height of the eaves 3m. Need to relate to F/2015/1180;1183. The Clerk would write to WBC Planning to object to the application in terms of it being too large and an inappropriate development for the Green Belt. DP/JH were willing to speak on the application.*

Signed.....Chairman

6 Oct 2015

APPENDIX I Code of Conduct

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR COUNCILLORS Remenham Parish Council (RPC)

1. Introduction

This Code of Conduct applies to Councillors and Co-opted Members whenever they are acting as a Member or as a representative of Remenham Parish Council or when they claim to act or give the impression of acting as a representative of the Council.

It does not apply to when the Councillor or Co-opted Member is acting in a private capacity.

When carrying out their public role, Councillors and Co-opted Members should always have regard to the seven principles of public life. These are: selflessness, integrity, objectivity, accountability, openness, honesty and leadership. Councillors and Co-opted Members should also read the Code of Conduct together with the Member/Officer Protocol and other sections of the Council's Constitution relating to ethical and financial probity (if applicable).

Any person may make a complaint if a Councillor or Co-opted Member does not act in accordance with this Code. The Local Government Ombudsmen may also regard a breach of the Code as incompatible with good administration, and may make a finding of maladministration by the Council in some circumstances. It is the Councillor and Co-opted Member's sole responsibility to comply with the Code.

A Members' Interest form is provided by the Parish Clerk to register interests. He or she will then forward it to Wokingham Borough Council's Monitoring Officer, who has a statutory duty to establish and maintain a register of interests of Members. It should be noted that the form will be published on Wokingham Borough Council's website. When a Councillor or Co-opted Member declares an interest at a meeting of the Council, they should be aware that this will be noted in the Minutes of the Meeting, which is a public document.

If any Councillor or Co-opted Member is unsure about any part of the Code of Conduct, they are urged to seek advice from the Parish Clerk

There are three areas to the Code of Conduct:

- 1 Rules about registration of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and Personal Interests with Wokingham Borough Council's Monitoring Officer using the Members Interest Form (rule 2.3)
- 2 Rules about declaring interests in meetings where items on the agenda conflict with those interests (rules 4, 5 and 6)
- 3 Rules about general behaviour (see rule 8)

Signed..........Chairman

6 Oct 2015

2. Interpretation

- "Co-opted Member" means a person who is a member of any committee or sub-committee of the Council or is a member of and represents the authority on any joint committee of the Council and who is entitled to vote on any question which falls to be decided at any committee or sub-committee.
- "Councillor" means a Member or Co-opted Member of this Council.
- "Meeting" means any meeting of:
 - a) the Council;
 - b) the Executive of the Council, including when making an Individual Executive Decision;
 - c) any of the Council's or the Executive's committees, sub-committees, joint-committees, joint sub-committees, or area committees;
- "Member" includes a co-opted Member and an appointed Member of this Council

3. Registration of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and Personal Interests

3.1

Within 28 days of this Code being adopted by the Council, OR the Councillor's election, OR the Co-opted Member's appointment (whichever is later) Councillors must register with Wokingham Borough Council's Monitoring Officer the interests which fall within the categories set out in Appendices A and B.

3.2

Upon the re-election of the Councillor or the re-appointment of the Co-opted Member, Councillors must within 28 days re-register with Wokingham Borough Council's Monitoring Officer any interests in Appendices A and B.

3.3

Councillors must register with Wokingham Borough Council's Monitoring Officer any change to interests or new interests in Appendices A and B within 28 days of becoming aware of the change.

3.4

Councillors need not register any interest which Wokingham Borough Council's Monitoring Officer agrees is a 'sensitive interest' A sensitive interest is one which, if made public, could lead to the Councillor or a person connected to a Councillor being subject to violence or intimidation.

4. Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests at meetings

4.1 Where a matter arises at a meeting which relates to an interest in Appendix A, Councillors must do the following:

4.2 They should declare their interest at the beginning of the meeting when asked to do so by the Chairman, or if not then, they must do so before the matter is discussed. They must do so regardless of whether or not the interest is registered in their Members Interest form.

Signed..........Chairman

6 Oct 2015

4.3 Where a matter arises at a meeting which is a sensitive interest as defined under rule 3.4 Councillors do not have to declare the exact nature of their interest but must follow the rules regarding non-participation, in rules in 4.4 and 4.5 below

4.4 When the item is introduced at the meeting, Councillors may continue to attend the meeting but only for the purpose of making representations, answering questions or giving evidence provided that the public are also allowed to attend the meeting for the same purpose.

4.5 They must then leave the room before the matter is discussed and voted upon.

5. Declaration of Personal Interests at meetings

5.1 Where a matter arises at a meeting which relates to or affects an interest in Appendix B or a financial interest of the Councillor, a friend, relative or close associate (and it is not a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest listed in Appendix A), Councillors must do the following:

5.2 They should declare the interest at the beginning of the meeting when asked to do so by the Chairman as a "Personal Interest" or if not then, they must do so before the matter is discussed or voted upon. They must do so regardless of whether or not the interest is registered in their Members Interest form.

5.3 Where a matter arises at a meeting which is a sensitive interest as defined under rule 3.4 Councillors do not have to declare the exact nature of their interest

5.4 They may however participate in the discussion and vote on the matter, subject to rule 6.1 below.

6. Declaration of Prejudicial Interests at meetings

6.1 Where the matter affects the declared interest under rule 5.1 more than the majority of people in the area affected by the decision, and a reasonable member of the public would think the Councillor's view of the public interest would be adversely affected, the Councillor must do the following:

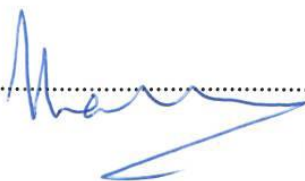
6.2 They should declare this as a Prejudicial Interest at the beginning of the meeting when asked to do so by the Chairman, or if not then, they must do so before the matter is discussed.

6.3 Where a matter arises at a meeting which is a sensitive interest as defined under rule 3.4 Councillors do not have to declare the exact nature of their interest but must follow the rules regarding non-participation, in rules 6.4 and 6.5 below.

6.4 When the item is introduced at the meeting, Councillors may continue to attend the meeting but only for the purpose of making representations, answering questions or giving evidence provided that the public are also allowed to attend the meeting for the same purpose.

6.5 They must then leave the room before the matter is discussed or voted upon.

Signed.....Chairman



6 Oct 2015

7. Dispensations

On request, the Parish Clerk may grant a Councillor a dispensation to participate in a discussion and/or vote on a matter at a meeting where they would otherwise not be allowed to if the Parish Clerk believes that the number of Councillors otherwise prohibited from taking part in the meeting would impede the transaction of the business; or it is in the interests of the inhabitants in the Council's area to allow the Councillor to take part or it is otherwise appropriate to grant a dispensation. The dispensation will last no longer than 4 years from the date of the dispensation.

8. Behaviour

8.1

Councillors must not behave in such a way that a reasonable person would regard as disrespectful to others.

8.2

Councillors must not act in a way which a reasonable person would regard as bullying, or in any way which is intimidating to others.

8.3

Councillors must not seek improperly to confer an advantage or disadvantage on any person.

8.4

Councillors must only use the resources of the Council when undertaking Council business.

8.5

Councillors must not knowingly disclose information which they believe, or ought reasonably to be aware, is confidential or where disclosure is prohibited by law, unless it is with good cause, or they have the consent of the person authorised to give it, or they are required by law to do so.

8.6

Councillors must respect the impartiality of officers and not put undue pressure on them.

8.7

Councillors must not do anything which may cause their Council to breach any of the equality enactments (as defined in the Equality Act 2010).

8.8

Councillors must notify the Parish Clerk of any gifts or hospitality worth more than an estimated value of £25 which the Councillor has received by virtue of his or her office or any gifts or hospitality worth more than an estimated value of £25 which they have been offered but which they subsequently declined.

Signed..........Chairman

6 Oct 2015

APPENDIX A DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS

Interests defined by regulations made under s30(3) of the Localism Act 2011 are described in the table below.

(In the extracts from the Regulations below, 'M' means you and 'relevant person' means you and your partner). "Partner" means a spouse or civil partner of M, or a person with whom M is living as husband and wife or a person with whom M is living as if they were civil partners

Subject	Prescribed description
Employment, office, trade, profession or vacation	Any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit or gain.
Sponsorship	Any payment or provision of any other financial benefit (other than from the relevant authority) made or provided within the relevant period in respect of any expenses incurred by M in carrying out duties as a member, or towards the election expenses of M. This includes any payment or financial benefit from a trade union within the meaning of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992.
Contracts	Any contract which is made between the relevant person (or a body in which the relevant person has a beneficial interest) and the relevant authority— a) under which goods or services are to be provided or works are to be executed; and b) which has not been fully discharged.
Land	Any beneficial interest in land which is within the area of the relevant authority.
Licences	Any licence (alone or jointly with others) to occupy land in the area of the relevant authority for a month or longer.
Corporate tenancies	Any tenancy where (to M's knowledge)— a) the landlord is the relevant authority; and b) the tenant is a body in which the relevant person has a beneficial interest.
Securities	Any beneficial interest in securities of a body where— a) that body (to M's knowledge) has a place of business or land in the area of the relevant authority; and b) either— i) the total nominal value of the securities exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body; or

Signed..........Chairman

6 Oct 2015

	ii) if the share capital of that body is of more than one class, the total nominal value of the shares of any one class in which the relevant person has a beneficial interest exceeds one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that class.
--	---

These descriptions on Disclosable Pecuniary Interests above are subject to the following definitions;

The Act	means the Localism Act 2011
Body in which the relevant person has a beneficial interest	means a firm in which the relevant person is a partner or a body corporate of which the relevant person is a director, or in the securities of which the relevant person has a beneficial interest;
Director	includes a member of the committee of management of an industrial and provident society;
Land	excludes an easement, servitude, interest or right in or over land which does not carry with it a right for the relevant person (alone or jointly with another) to occupy the land or to receive income;
M	means a member of a relevant authority;
Member	includes a co-opted member;
Relevant authority	means the authority of which M is a member;
Relevant period	means the period of 12 months ending with the day on which M gives a notification for the purposes of section 30(1) or section 31(7), as the case may be, of the Act;
Relevant person	means M or any other person referred to in section 30(3)(b) of the Act;
Securities	means shares, debentures, debenture stock, loan stock, bonds, units of a collective investment scheme within the meaning of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 and other securities of any description, other than money deposited with a building society.

IMPORTANT NOTE:

Under s34 of the Localism Act 2011 it is a criminal offence if a Member or co-opted Member:

- a) fails to notify the Parish Clerk of any Disclosable Pecuniary Interest within 28 days of election;

Signed.....Chairman

6 Oct 2015

- b) fails to disclose a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest at a meeting of the Council if that interest is not included on the register;
- c) participates in any discussion or vote on a matter in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest;
- d) fails to notify the Parish Clerk within 28 days of a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest that is not included on the register that they have disclosed to a meeting;
- f) knowingly or recklessly provides information that is false or misleading in notifying the Parish Clerk of a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest or in disclosing such an interest to a meeting.

APPENDIX B

REGISTERED PERSONAL INTERESTS

Councillors must register:

- i) any body of which the Councillor is in a position of general control or management and to which he/she is appointed or nominated by the Council;
 - ii) any body
 - exercising functions of a public nature; or
 - directed to charitable purposes; or
 - one of whose principal purposes includes the influence of public opinion or policy (including any political party or trade union),
 -
- of which the Councillor is a member or in a position of general control or management;

Signed.....Chairman

6 Oct 2015

Code For Declaring Interests at Meetings – FLOWCHART

Consider what the subject matter of the item is on the agenda at the meeting, which you are attending to participate in the decision making process....

Disclosable Pecuniary Interest

Does the subject matter¹ of the meeting relate to or affect any interest which you have registered, or should have registered, as a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest, listed in Appendix A in the Code of Conduct



NO :	You do not have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest. You must now consider whether you have a Personal Interest, and if so whether you have Prejudicial Interest (see below)	YES :	You must declare your Disclosable Pecuniary Interest at the beginning of the meeting when asked to do so by the Chairman or Mayor, or if not then, before the matter is discussed or voted upon regardless of whether the Disclosable Pecuniary Interest is registered on your Members Interest form. You may then attend the meeting when the subject matter is presented by the Officer, but only for the purpose of making representations, answering questions or giving evidence provided that the public are also allowed to attend the meeting for the same purpose. You must then leave the room before the matter is discussed or voted upon. ²
------	---	-------	---

¹ The subject matter which you are voting on must *directly* impact on your interest in order for it to be relevant to it. For example, if the subject matter is to grant money to a school, and you are a teacher there, this would not affect any of your Disclosable Pecuniary interests. It is likely however be a personal interest.

² It is potentially a criminal offence not to declare a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in a meeting see s34 Localism Act 2011

Signed.....Chairman

6 Oct 2015

Personal Interest

Does the subject matter of the meeting relate to or affect any interest which you have registered, or should have registered as Personal Interest, listed in Appendix B in the Code of Conduct OR does the subject matter of the meeting relate to or affect a financial interest of you, a friend, relative or a close associate?³



NO :	You do not have a personal interest. You can participate in the discussion at the meeting and vote	YES :	You must disclose the existence and nature of your personal interest, whether or not the personal interest has been noted on your Members Interest form. You must now also consider whether you have a Prejudicial Interest.
------	--	-------	--

Prejudicial Interest

³ A 'close associate' means someone with whom you have a direct personal relationship with, not an acquaintance, or someone you are on 'nodding' terms with, or someone that you only associate with as a Member of the same group as you

Signed.....Chairman

6 Oct 2015

Does the subject matter affect your personal interest more than the majority of people in the area affected by the decision AND would a reasonable member of the public think that the Councillors view of the public interest would be adversely affected?⁴



NO :	You do not have a prejudicial interest, so after declaring a personal interest, you may participate in the discussion at the meeting and vote.	YES :	You must declare this as a Prejudicial interest at the beginning of the meeting at the same time as declaring a Personal interest, as described above. You may then attend the meeting when the subject matter is presented by the Officer, but only for the purpose of making representations, answering questions or giving evidence provided that the public are also allowed to attend the meeting for the same purpose. You must then leave the room before the matter is discussed or voted upon
------	--	-------	--

⁴ For example, you are voting on whether to allow free bus fares for the over 60s. You yourself are over 60 and will benefit from a free bus pass. However, the decision does not affect you personally any more than the other over 60's in Wokingham Borough, and it is unlikely that a reasonable member of the public would consider that your view of the public interest would be adversely affected. You do not have a Prejudicial interest.

Signed.....Chairman

6 Oct 2015