

REMENHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held in the Parish Hall on 11th July 2017 starting at 8:02pm
and finishing at 9:45pm (circulated 19th July 2017)

PRESENT: Cllrs John Halsall (JH; Chairman)
Alison Barraclough (AB)
Franky Cookson (FC)
Richard Fletcher (RF)
Peter Grace (PG)
Darrel Poulos (DP)
Clerk: Paul Sermon

In attendance:
Chris Leeming (CL)

73/17: APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There was an apology from John Merkel (JM).

74/17: DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST; No declarations of interest were made.

75/17: MINUTES OF THE MEETING

It was AGREED that the Chairman be authorised to sign the minutes of the meeting held on 13th June 2017 as a true record of that meeting. FC asked for one correction, which was made by hand before signing.

76/17: MATTERS ARISING

The actions requested and action list arising from the last meeting were reviewed. There were no other Matters Arising other than those appearing in the agenda of this meeting.

77/17: PLANNING

On Leander application 171528 it was AGREED that RPC had no comments to make. On Aspen 171743, the clerk reminded the meeting that Aspen changes were WBC Planning-approved despite RPC objections. It was AGREED that no further RPC comments were required. The Clerk said that RPC had been notified of an appeal regarding Units at White Hill Farm. The Chairman said that RPC's comments would be forwarded to the Planning Inspectorate. The Clerk said that RPC had until 14th August to add anything further. It was AGREED that JH would read the appeal document and take appropriate action and report back at the next meeting. JH and RF were also to look at two subsequent planning applications (171917 Thames Bridge House (increase in number of apartments; 171666 Remenham Hill House (internal alterations)) and would report on these at the next RPC meeting.

AB raised the subject of a shed near Hambleden Lock; JH AGREED to look into the matter, possibly with the Environment Agency. AB also mentioned another structure that could be seen from Aston village. JH AGREED to look at this from a suitable vantage point. FC said she had raised the matter of a security building and road on the route to Culden Faw chapel with the owner; JH asked if she would take a photograph, then he would take the matter up.

78/17: WEBSITE

FC introduced website use statistics; RF suggested these were presented graphically each quarter. FC said she thought that there ought to be a link of our website with those of Henley, Wargrave and Hurley Parishes.

79/17: TRAFFIC AND HIGHWAYS

The Clerk mentioned that an email from CTM had been received on Rewind Festival traffic. JH described a meeting of an advisory group on the Rewind Festival, when traffic (along with litter and noise) were discussed. He thought

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it was not so much a need to change the Traffic Order, but rather how effective traffic controller/marshals were. There was discussion about the number of events now occurring in Remenham. It was AGREED that JH would contact CTM to outline the range of organisations that would need to be considered.

An e-mail from Charlotte Every (on (i) towpath diversions, (ii) taxis/coaches travelling down Remenham/Aston Lane sometimes at speed and (iii) access of these lanes to emergency vehicles) was discussed. It was AGREED that The Clerk would write to UTRC to indicate that RPC was unhappy about the diversion of Footpath 4 during HRR and hoped that they would reconsider such action next year. It was thought marshals needed to be based at the top of Aston Lane. CL suggested that Remenham roads and lanes were on occasions not capable of dealing with the levels generated by events and that further intensification/growth would not be sustainable. DP commented that events were very lucrative for taxi drivers.

The Clerk said that at about 3:30pm that day he had seen a large 'horse' lorry backing out of the equestrian centre near the garage onto the A4130. The Chairman asked for anyone to provide photographic or other information, as this was an illegal vehicle manoeuvre. PG asked about the hours in which groundwork on the polo pitch could be undertaken; others said that they had heard early and late working. JH said that information would be on the WBC planning website.

80/17: WOKINGHAM ISSUES

JH said he was hoping to be a member of the Licensing/Environmental Protection Committee at WBC but was currently the substitute. CL asked about noise amelioration; JH said that if there was a complaint, then he could take action and suggested that this was a way forward. It was suggested that helicopter noise was increasing; RF saw these coming down the river on occasions. FC found road traffic more intrusive, but AB AGREED to coordinate the monitoring of helicopter noise. JH described development that was likely to take place over a 5-year period. He said that WBC needed to have more control.

81/17: HENLEY AND FOOTPATH ISSUES

JH reported that there was a current proposal for sensors to be located on both sides of the river with data being analysed by King's College London and said a 20mph traffic flow scheme (previously applied to Poynton that could be seen in a video-clip on the internet) might be introduced in Henley. PG said that the tree canopy on White Hill might affect the pollution results and DP suggested pollutants might migrate down the hill. FC asked if these sensors were temporary; JH said yes. AB said she and PG would have an adopt-a-street scheme ready for the Sept meeting. The Clerk confirmed that the dog-waste bin was in place and in operation.

82/17: FINANCIAL MATTERS

The Clerk confirmed submission of the accounts to Mazars and that an invitation to residents to view the accounts was now on the noticeboard. An e-mail had been received from Steve Allender confirming that he had received a first RPC payment. A cheque for BALC (659; £124.00) was signed.

83/17: DATE OF NEXT MEETING

12th Sept 2017 at 8:00pm in the Parish Hall.

ACTIONS:

JH to

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read the appeal regarding Units at White Hill Farm, take action and report back to RPC

look at two subsequent planning applications (171917: Thames Bridge House (increase in number of apartments; 171666: Remenham Hill House (internal alterations)) with RF, take action and report back at the next RPC meeting

consider

- the shed near Hambleden lock
- another structure that could be seen from Aston village and
- the security building and road on the route to Culden Faw chapel

contact CTM (to outline the range of organisations that would need to be considered), Charlotte Every (about her e-mail) and Copas (regarding marshals that were thought to be needed and based at the top of Aston Lane).

The Clerk to write to

WBC Planning to say that on Leander application 171528 RPC had no comments and that on Aspen 171743 RPC had objected but had no further comments to make, and

UTRC to indicate that RPC was unhappy about the diversion of Footpath 4 during HRR and hoped that they would reconsider such action next year.

send cheque to BALC.

AB to coordinate the monitoring of helicopter noise and (with PG) to have an adopt-a-street scheme ready for the Sept meeting.

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