



WOODHAM FERRERS AND BICKNACRE PARISH COUNCIL A QUALITY COUNCIL



MINUTES of the Parish Council Planning Committee held on Tuesday 20th May 2008 at 19.30 at Bicknacre Memorial Village Hall, Bicknacre, Essex.

In Attendance:		
Cllr. C. Saltmarsh (in the chair) Cllr. A. Mair	Cllr. B. Arnold Cllr. J. Bishop	Cllr. J. Saltmarsh Clerk – Karen Kuderovitch

29.	Declaration of Interests The Clerk offered members the opportunity to declare any personal/prejudicial interests and note them. None declared
30.	Apologies Cllr. R. Poulter (CBC) Cllr. G. Woricker (not received)
31.	Minutes The minutes of the Planning Meeting of 22 nd April 2008 were approved and signed. Proposed: Cllr. A. Mair Proposed: Cllr. J. Saltmarsh (On the motion of the Chairman meeting was adjourned for 15 minutes for members of the public/press to address the Council). None present.

32. Planning.

Members to consider the following applications:

In the absence of Councillor Woricker the Council reviewed the 2 applications assigned to him in order to submit a decision by the due date.

Application No.	Details	Cllr to report
08/00791/OUT	Land South of Priory Primary School, Bicknacre Road, Danbury, Chelmsford, Essex Outline application for the erection of one house with access drive and garage (all matters reserved)	No objections
08/00792/FUL	Land Rear of Priory Field Recreation Ground, Bicknacre Road, Danbury, Chelmsford, Essex Change of use from agricultural land to recreational use	Supported
08/00867/FUL	Sunray, Main Road, Woodham Ferrers, Essex Single storey rear extension	Supported

The Clerk reported that a letter had been sent to an owner in Woodham Ferrers and that CBC had been requested to investigate a possible breach of planning. The Clerk advised that a letter had been received from CBC and that there was a need for planning permission on certain aspects and that the owner had been advised to submit an application within 28 days. Members expressed further concerns for safety reasons and requested the Clerk to make further enquiries and report back.

33. Priory Fields

The access issues has been resolved with access now being gained via Priory Fields and it was stated that the works had been started to the Arch.

34. Parish Council Office 🐾

The Clerk gave an update on outstanding items left (doors, blinds, door entry system) and advised the Council she had experienced problems with the PC running very slowly and was awaiting advice from the IT advisor. Cllr. C. Saltmarsh relayed to the Council that he had a PC that he may be prepared to give to the PC to use for visitors, booking an appointment at the office and accessing information online.

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Advice would have to be taken to ensure that access was limited for security. The Clerk to contact the Health & Safety Advisor once all the outstanding items had been done to come and report on anything that was not correct.

36. **Planning Related Issues**

Cllr J. Saltmarsh asked for the permission via FOPF for a seat, or something suitable to be placed in the memory of Mr Ted Saville who had sadly passed away recently. Cllr J. Bishop advised that he would take it to the FOPF meeting for their view and report back.

Cllr. B. Arnold asked for a property in Bicknacre to be investigated by CBC with a view to a possible breach of planning.

Cllr. J. Bishop gave an update of the status of the Planning Application for the Bicknacre Community Project.

Cllr C. Saltmarsh stated that he was disappointed with the decision made for Cllr. Blanks to be given the role as Vice Chairman and his reluctance to take the Planning Chairman Committee role. Cllr C. Saltmarsh had previously suggested this. Cllr. C. Saltmarsh highlighted the fact that as a Vice Chairman the person should be able to take the Chairmans role should the need arise. A debate took place on this. Cllr. J. Saltmarsh suggested that with the correct training this would be a possibility and that in general all Councillors should be encouraged to improve their skills regularly. The Clerk also highlighted that a general training review of all Councillors should take place and there was concern some Councillors may be very 'out of date' with current legislation. It was resolved that Cllr. C. Saltmarsh would stay in the position.

Emergency items

1. 2 emergency item were raised which had been asked for inclusion by the Clerk to the Chairman 3 working days before the meeting as there could be serious implications for the PC.

The Clerk handed a letter from Harvey, Copping & Harrison, Solicitors on behalf of a Woodham Ferrers resident. The issue was discussed in detail and a reply in principal was agreed upon together with a hopeful solution to the problems. The Clerk to write to the Solicitors asap.

Cllr J. Bishop relayed a request for an initial indication from the PC in response from a football club about the possibility of financing the start of a project for new changing rooms at Lodge Road. It was agreed that at the June Meeting an initial amount may be agreed to be put aside for this project, with further funding possibly available. The Clerk to advise the Council.

Meeting closed @ 9.00pm

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Parish Clerk. 21.5.08