

PARISH OF RADNAGE

A MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL WAS HELD ON Wednesday 16th February 2022 AT 8 PM AT RADNAGE VILLAGE HALL

Present: Councillors: Chairman Cllr Mr Darren Ungless, Vice Chair, Cllr Dr Jez Lofts Cllr Mr Tony Eden, Cllr Ellie Hurrell, Cty Cllr Carl Etholen and Clerk Ms Lisa Stibbs.

There were 2 members of the public present from 20.00hrs.

1. Welcome and Apologies for Absence.

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies had been received from County Councillors Shade Adoh and Robert Carrington

MEETING CLOSED FOR PUBLIC SESSION (10 minutes total)

A member of the public thanked the council for the clearance at Chapel Pond on the 12th February and there was a brief discussion on what to put on the site. i.e. Should we grass the whole area and/or plant wild flowers. An idea was discussed regarding adding a bench on this site as it is a peaceful area and a nice place to sit. Cllr Lofts suggested polling the residents of the village for preferences on social media and Cllr Eden seconded this.

MEETING REOPENED

Co-Opting New Councillor

Mr Cris Everett was co-opted onto the Parish Council. This was proposed by Cllr Ungless, seconded by Cllr Lofts and agreed by all. Paperwork has been emailed to the Clerk.

2. To receive any disclosure of pecuniary interests by Members relating to items on the agenda.

None received

3. Acceptance and signing of the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on the 10th November 2021.

The minutes of the meeting held on 10th November 2021 were approved as proposed by Cllr Lofts, seconded by Cllr Hurrell, and agreed by all as a true and accurate record. The Chairman, Cllr Ungless, signed and dated the minutes

4. Project Updates:

Village Hall:

Driveway

Funding has now been agreed for 50% of the cost of the driveway. Hopefully this will be received before the end of the financial year 31st March. AAA are the contractors and Cllr Eden will ask them if they can also curb and tarmac the strip of road outside of the gate as there are very large potholes.

Solar Panels,

Cllr Eden has four quotes but is waiting further information regarding battery and heating type. Another option could be using the solar panels and having electricity credited back to the Village Hall

Village Hall Heating,

The Oil tank has been filled up so there is heating at The Village Hall. The heating programmer is being adjusted by hirers and so it was suggested that the electricity cupboard is locked. It could also be modernised. i.e Using an App on Smart/I phones. It was proposed by Cllr Lofts that a key for the electricity cupboard will be made available to all councillors and the Clerk along with a key for the front gate. Seconded by Cllr Hurrell and agreed by all.

CCTV for Village Hall

This was deferred until the next meeting to enable the councillors to read the legislation as it is very complex

Playground,

New Equipment has all been ordered. We will need to check with the planning department regarding whether this equipment will need planning permission as the Play Fort is bigger than the original site. Cllr Etholen will check with the Planning department.

Chapel Pond,

This was discussed in the public session

Noticeboards and Bus shelter library

It is hoped that there will be more structured shelving in the bus shelters which can incorporate noticeboards. Cllr Ungless will contact Pat and hopefully have this completed as soon as possible as a lot of residents are missing the book service.

Allotments

Cllrs Ungless, Lofts and The Clerk will meet separately to discuss plans going forward.

Community Speedwatch

We now have an official Community Speedwatch Group. Cllr Ungless has been speaking to TVP and a group is now set up. Cllr Ungless will be having training in the near future. Anyone in the village can volunteer to be part of this scheme. The data from MVAS will help to identify speeding 'hotspots'

5. Queens Platinum Jubilee

All Councillors agreed that it would be a great benefit to the Parish to hold some form of celebration regarding The Queens Jubilee. We need a co-ordinator from the Parish Council and local volunteers. Cllr Ungless will word an advert to put on social media. In order to co-ordinate with other organisations in the village, Cllr Hurrell will speak to the PTA at the school and the Clerk will check with The Crown, The Church, The WI and the British Legion

6. Planning

a) To note planning decisions:

- Case Ref: 21/06244/FUL – 15 Green Lane- Application For - Householder application for construction of single storey side and rear extension, front porch, roof extension, 1 x box dormer to rear and installation of 3 x roof lights in association with loft conversion and associated external alterations. **Application Permitted**
- Case Ref: 21/06687/FUL Stable West of Wards, City Road – Application for: Conversion of an existing stable building to create 1 x 2 bedroom dwelling and conversion of existing garage/potting shed to create home office/gym **Application Permitted**
- Case Ref 21/07841/FUL – 33 Green lane, Radnage – Application for: Change of use of existing equestrian building to a 2 bedroom residential dwelling (part retrospective) **Application Permitted**
- Case Ref 21/07967/TPO – The Old Rectory, Church Lane – Application for: Pruning to group of yews (G1), reduce smaller of group by 10% by removing up to 1.5 metres of apical and lateral growth and reduce larger of group by 20% to match smaller yews by removing up to 2.5 metres of apical and lateral growth **Application Permitted**
- Case Ref: 20/07221/FUL – Land Opposite Radnage House, Green End Road – Application for partial conversion of existing stable barn to create first floor living accommodation incorporating 1 x 2 bedroom for staff of Radnage House Riding School with external alterations, installation of stairs to ground floor and alterations to existing roof including construction of new roof to existing stocks. **Application Refused 19/1/22**
- Case Ref: 21/05553/FUL – Bluebell Cottage, Green End Road – Householder Application for demolition of existing detached garage and construction of single storey front/side extension. **Application Permitted 14/1/22**
- Case Ref: 21/08455/FUL – Ashridge Barn, Green End Road – Application For: Householder application for erection of single storey side extension. **Application Permitted 25/1/22**

b) To consider planning applications

- Case Ref 22/05115/FUL – Land West of Bella Vista, City Road – Application for: Erection of replacement animal field shelter barn/agricultural material & equipment store and gate for paddock 2
- Case Ref 22/05111/FUL - Sprigs Holly House, Sprigs Holly Lane - Application for: Householder application for construction of front porch, two storey side extension, internal and external alterations including construction of 2 x dormer windows to front elevation, installation of solar panels to roofslope and fenestration alterations.
- Case Ref 21/08384/FUL - Boundary Farm, Sprigs Holly Lane - Application for: 1 x 4-bed detached dwellinghouse
- Case Ref 22/05155/FUL – 13 Green lane, Radnage – Application for: Householder application for construction of first floor rear extension following demolition of first floor balcony, front porch extension, fenestration alteration including insertion of roof light, hardstanding alterations and pedestrian access, level alterations to rear patio with retaining wall

All of the above Planning Applications (section b) were considered and discussed by the Parish Council at this meeting. The comments from the Parish Council can be found on The Planning Portal <https://publicaccess.wycombe.gov.uk/>

c) Awaiting decision:

- Case Ref: 21/08217/FUL – Colliers Farm, Horseshoe Road – Application For – Change of existing grazing paddock to all weather riding arena with associated alterations.
- Case Ref: 21/08298/FUL – Partridge Cottage, Green End Road – Application For – Householder application for alterations to roof to provide front/rear dormer windows in connection with additional floor space, single storey rear garage extension and alterations to garage roof to create gable ends.
- Case Ref: 21/08460/FUL – The Old Rectory, Church Lane – Application For: Householder application for repair and extension of domestic outbuilding to provide home working space. Demolition of existing stable and relocation to North of site.
- Case Ref: 21/08629/FUL – Douglas Lodge, Green End Rd - Application For: Householder application for construction of carport and demolition of existing shed.
- Case Ref 21/08731/VCDN – Middle Barn At Ashridge Barn – Application for: Variation of condition 2 (plan numbers) attached to pp 20/05934/FUL (Demolition of existing building and erection of replacement dwelling (alternative scheme to PP 19/07406/FUL) to allow alterations to internal layout, external appearance and design of carports

d) Planning Control – including Stokenchurch Parish cases / Green Lane

Application No. 21/08382/PNP6A Bottom Farm, Green End Road – This was discussed very briefly in the Public Session as the Parish Council has no say in the decision-making process of these types of applications. Cllr Hurrell will contact Planning to ask for a definition of PNP planning applications.

7. Finance

a) To receive a report from the RFO.

The Clerk had circulated January 21/22 budget summary and no questions arose from this. Acceptance of it was proposed by Cllr Lofts, seconded by Cllr Hurrell, and agreed by all.

As at 31st January the Business Account held a balance of £31,099.21 representing interest of £0.27 for the last month, and the Treasurers Account a balance of £34,365.75

b) To review and confirm payments for December2021/January2022/February2022 (Appendix 1,2 & 3)

The payments for December 21/January & February 22 were approved as proposed by Cllr Ungless, seconded by Cllr Lofts, and agreed by all.

c) Precept request sent to County as per meeting on 19th January 2022

Address needs to be amended on the remittance advice. Clerk to arrange.

d) To confirm agreement of Business debit card per Bank application form

Proposed Cllr Ungless, seconded by Cllr Eden, and agreed by all

8. Village Hall Update

A new mast for Open Reach has been signed off. Fibre will be overhead instead of underground. New masts will be needed as the pole currently in place is not high enough. Cllr Ungless has been given a cheque from Open Reach as a one-off payment of £150.00

BT bill for the Village Hall is currently £73 per month and BT have offered a new contract for £55. Cllr Everett will look into alternative options in his new role as Councillor. Cllr Eden will give him authorisation. The Clerk checked who was named on the bills from BT and it is just Finance Department. Admin access is available online with a PIN from BT. One of the windows at the Village Hall has blown (glazing) and so needs to be replaced. Cllr Eden will get some quotes to get this window replaced.

Cllr Ungless asked about lighting on the driveway and whether this could be included when the new driveway is laid at the Village Hall. Cllrs Eden and Ungless to meet separately to discuss this.

Village Hall roof needs repairing. Cllr Ungless to check there isn't any further damage.

9. Open Spaces (including Allotments and Pasture)

Allotments - Renewals due in April. Tenancy agreements will be sent out mid-March.

Radnage Common – All Parish Councillors need to all be familiar with the Deeds of Easement for Radnage Common.

RPC assets log has a section regarding Radnage Common and there is no mention of ownership of the road there.

This should be made into a formal document as there is currently confusion as to who is responsible for the road on Radnage Common. Some of the residents believe it is the council's responsibility but there are no records to validate this

10. Social Media

Nothing to report

11. Buckinghamshire Council

Cllr Etholen discussed the Omicron Hospitality and Leisure Grant and the Additional Restrictions grant. Closing dates for applications for these grants are 28th February.

Bledlow Ridge Recycling Centre – There were rumours circulating in November 2021 that the Recycling Centre would re-open in April 2022. This has yet to be confirmed.

A Council Tax budget meeting was held on 23rd February. All indications so far are 1.99% increase in Council Tax and 3% increase in Social Care.

12. Road Safety (incl. MVAS/MYSI radar speed indicators)

Please see comments under Community Speedwatch regarding MYSI radar speed indicators

Cllr Eden will order new batteries for the MVAS.

13. Local Crime

There have been reports of Hare Coursing in a nearby parish, but to date, we have not had any reports of this in Radnage parish.

14. Clerks Matters – including late received correspondence.

a) Definitive Map Project – Clerk will contact Helen Francis, Senior Definitive Map Operator to ask what we should be doing as a council towards this.

b) The Clerk received an email regarding a ‘near miss’ incident between a car and a pedestrian this morning. Whilst no one was hurt, it was agreed that the council would add a post on our Facebook page reminding people to take care around our village

15. Date of Next Meeting:

The next Meeting will take place on **Wednesday 9th March 2022 at 8p.m at Radnage Village Hall**

PUBLIC SESSION – (10 minutes in total) – Members of the public may be given a further opportunity to raise any matters of concern.

There a brief discussion with members of the public regarding Planning Application 21/08382/PNP6A. Please see item 6, section d.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 22.15 hours.

Chairman’s Signature: *Darren Ungless*

Date: 9th March 2022

18th May 2022 Annual Meeting of The Parish

13th July 2022 PC Meeting

14th September 2022 PC Meeting

9th November 2022 PC Meeting

16th November 2022 Action Plan Meeting

23rd November 2022 Precept Budget Meeting