

# PARISH OF RADNAGE

## A MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL WAS HELD ON Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2023 AT 8 PM AT RADNAGE VILLAGE HALL

**Present:** Councillors: Vice Chair, Cllr Dr Jez Lofts, Cllr Tony Eden, Cllr Mr Cris Everett, Cty Councillor Carl Etholen and Clerk Ms Lisa Stibbs.

There were 6 members of the public present.

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

### **MEETING CLOSED FOR PUBLIC SESSION** (10 minutes)

A member of the public discussed the high fencing and high gates being installed in the village and commented that the village is losing 'it's feel' It was also asked if Planning permission was needed for high fences above 1 m. Cllr Hurrell will check with the Planning Department in Bucks if visual impact is taken into account.

### **MEETING REOPENED**

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 8<sup>th</sup> February 2023**

The minutes of the meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> February 2023 were approved as proposed by Cllr Lofts, seconded by Cllr Everett, and agreed by all as a true and accurate record. The Chairman, Cllr Ungless, signed and dated the minutes.

4. **Coronation Celebrations Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May**

A new budget was agreed of £1500.00 Proposed by Cllr Ungless, seconded by Cllr Everett and agreed by all

5. **Project Updates:**

#### **Village Hall:**

**Roof:** Two of the outside gully's need repairing and the other two need cleaning up. There is also a loose Soffit and Fascia

**Driveway:** It was agreed that there would be no Height Barrier added to the additional driveway works quote as the one quote that the Clerk has received for the driveway works is in excess of £5000 before the cost of the height barrier is included. Cllr Ungless will ask Stocks for a quote for just fencing and an extra gate.

#### **Roof and Ceiling repairs**

There is water damage on the ceiling in the entrance hall and the loft area after the burst pipes. Cllr Eden has a quote from builders P Carr for the repairs. It was proposed by Cllr Eden, seconded by Cllr Ungless and agreed by all that we would go ahead with this quote as the work was urgent and we would like to have the hall ready for The Coronation Party

**Recycling Bins,** Clerk to order new Blue Recycling bin for the village hall.

**Playground,** Nothing to report this month.

#### **Play Area**

**Radnage Raiders** have approached The Clerk regarding having goal posts permanently at the Village Hall. Cllr Ungless will meet with Simon and David from Radnage Raiders to discuss moveable goals which could stay on the recreation ground. The Parish Council will be happy to help towards the cost of this. Exact figure to be discussed when more information is received.

#### **Picnic Benches for Recreation Ground**

The Councillors will choose two heavy duty octagonal picnic benches. Cllr Lofts has found some recycled plastic ones at a cost of approximately £800 each. The rest of The Councillors will respond to Cllr Lofts with an agreement for these benches by the 15<sup>th</sup> March. Cllr Lofts has a team of volunteers ready to help install them.

6. **Planning**

a) **To note planning decisions:**

- **Case Ref: 22/06535/FUL** – Land Between and to Rear of Ashridge Farm Cottage And Barn, Green End Rd  
Application for: Construction of stable block comprising 3 x loose boxes, tack and store rooms and new hardstanding area. **Application Permitted 8/2/23**
- **Case Ref: 22/08192/FUL** – Land Between and to Rear of Ashridge Farm Cottage And Barn, Green End Rd  
Application for: Construction of stable block comprising 3 x loose boxes, tack and store rooms and new hardstanding area(alternative scheme to pp 22/06535/FUL **Application Permitted 8/2/23**
- **Case Ref 22/07917/FUL** – Bluebell Cottage, Green End Road – Householder application for insertion of dormer to rear. **Application Permitted 21/2/23**

b) To consider planning applications

- Case Ref: 23/05217/FUL – The Sticks, Green End Road – Application for: Householder application for construction of part single, part two storey side/rear extension and garage following demolition of existing garage (alternative scheme to pp 22/06987/FUL)
- Case Ref: 23/05332/FUL – Lark Rise, Green End Road – Application For: Householder application for erection of detached garage
- Case Ref: 23/05275/FUL – The Old Rectory, Church Lane – Application for: Listed Building consent for insertion of 1 x window to east elevation and 3 x dormer windows to north in connection with creation of additional habitable accommodation in roof space. Construction of single storey extension to north.
- Case Ref: 23/05274/FUL – The Old Rectory, Church Lane – Application For: Householder Application for insertion of 1 x window to east elevation and 3 x dormer windows to north in connection with creation of additional habitable accommodation in roof space. Construction of single storey extension to north.
- Case Ref 23/05185/FUL – Boundary Farm, Sprigs Holly Lane – Application for: Construction of hay barn, stable and manege, all for equestrian use.
- Case Ref 23/05283/FUL – Boundary Farm, Sprigs Holly Lane – Application for; Demolition of existing dwellinghouse and construction of replacement detached dwellinghouse (alternative scheme to pp 21/08384/FUL)
- Case Ref 23/05099/FUL – OS Parcel 8524, Bottom Road – Application for; Construction of single storey detached storage and tack room building

***All of the above Planning Application(s) (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 22/06972/FUL – Orchard Cottage, Radnage Common Road – Application for: Change of use of existing agricultural barn to create live/work unit (sui generis) with external alterations
- 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 22/07613/FUL – Radnage House Riding School – 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 with an extension above a first floor lean-to, installation of stairs to ground floor and alterations to existing roof including construction of new roof to existing stocks.
- Case Ref: 22/08228/FUL – The Barn at Four Acres, Green End Road - Application for: Householder Application for erection of two storey side extension and alterations.
- Case Ref: 22/08286/FUL - Clare Cottage, Green End Road – Application for: Householder Application for creation of first floor balcony, extension of rear raised patio and fenestration alterations.
- Case Ref: 22/08324/FUL – Stable West of Wards, City Road – Application for: Demolition of existing stable building and garage/potting shed, and erection of a new dwelling including hard and soft landscape works

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

No Notifications received this month

**7. Buckinghamshire Council**

There were no Cty Councillors present at this meeting. However, Cty Cllr Robert Carrington provided the Clerk with an update via email as follows;

- **Councillor Surgery** – Cty Cllrs will be holding a surgery at Stokenchurch Library this Saturday (11<sup>th</sup>) at 11am.
- **Future of Mary Towerton Primary School, Studley Green** - A consultation has been launched on the future of the Mary Towerton Primary School, Studley Green. The reason for this consultation is due to the school being under-subscribed for a number of years and pupil numbers fall significantly short of the school's published admission number. Initial indications from the current primary admission round is that there are no first preferences for admission to the school in September 2023.

## 8. Finance

- a) To receive a report from the RFO.  
The Clerk had circulated the latest budget summary and no questions arose from this. Acceptance of it was proposed by Cllr Everett, seconded by Cllr Eden, and agreed by all. As at 28th February, the Business Account held a balance of £20,128.59 representing interest of £10.25 for the last month, and the Treasurers Account a balance of £14,438.34
- b) To review and confirm payments for February 2023 (Appendix 1).  
The payments for February 2023 were approved as proposed by Cllr Ungless, seconded by Cllr Hurrell and agreed by all.
- c) To formally agree on appointment of Internal Auditor – It was proposed by Cllr Ungless, seconded by Cllr Eden and agreed by all that the Clerk would contact Lucy Stupples to act as our Internal Auditor for the Financial year 2022/23. Clerk to arrange by end of April.

## 9. MVAS

The MVAS are still in design stage for reinforcements. Cllr Ungless will take them to Meakes in Lane End to have them fabricated.

## 10. Speeding and Road Safety

Cllr Everett is leading Action Group. Suggestions so far include; moving existing school sign which is covered by the hedge at Green Lane. The Head of Radnage School will be involved with this. Lights (LED) by the bus stop during winter could help improve visibility. Highways survey starting from April. Cllr Everett will contact Jackie Binning, Community Board Manager to see if they can help with funding or ideas.

## 11. Allotments & Pasture

Cllr Lofts is yet to meet up with Sam Brown, The Headmaster at Radnage Primary to discuss their plot at Green Lane Allotments. There are a number of volunteers to help with rotavating the plots for the school and will borrow Cllr Everett's rotavator. Start date to be advised.

**12. Defibrilators** Cllr Lofts checked the Defib at the village hall and will have to order new pads (as they are out of date) The second Defibrilator should be a solar panel one somewhere near Bennett End area as it is the other end of the village.

The Radnage Royal British legion have also approached the Parish Council regarding a donation towards a Defibrilator at their premises. A £500 donation towards the cost of a Defibrilator to The British Legion was proposed by Cllr Ungless, seconded by Cllr Everett and agreed by all except one Councillor. Clerk will let Greg Burge know about the donation and the information the Parish Council need from them.

**13 Noticeboards/Bus shelters** A design for the combined shelves and noticeboards for the bus shelters have been circulated to the Councillors. Cllr Lofts proposed to buy two new noticeboards for inside the bus shelters. This was seconded by Cllr Everett and agreed by all. New noticeboards will be arranged to replace the other areas, Sprigs Holly, Bennet End, Green End Road and Green Lane. Clerk to advise costs to the Councillors and arrange purchase.

## 14 Memorial

Nothing to report at this meeting.

## 15. Clerks Matters – including late correspondence

The Caravan Club had asked if they could hire the village hall over a weekend but the Councillors did not approve this request. Clerk will signpost then to the local campsites.

Cllr Eden handed in his resignation as Parish Councillor and will step down at our next meeting on the 10<sup>th</sup> May.

Cllr Hurrell will also be resigning in July.

The Clerk will put an advert in Contact and on website asking for Councillors. Cllr Lofts will put an advert on Facebook Cllr Ungless will arrange to take our former bookings clerk, Carol Eden out for a meal as a thank you for all her hard work. and will liaise with Carol to confirm a date

## 14. Date(s) of Next Meeting:

The next Ordinary meeting of The Parish Council will be held **Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2023 at 8p.m.** at Radnage Village Hall.

**PUBLIC SESSION** – (10 minutes in total) – Nothing further was discussed in this session

The Chairman closed the meeting at 22.00 hours.

Chairman's Signature:

*D Ungless*

Date: 10<sup>th</sup> May 2023

