

Old Windsor Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING
HELD IN THE OLD CHAPEL MEETING ROOM, CHURCH ROAD,
ON WEDNESDAY 8TH OCTOBER 2008 AT 7.30 P.M.

PRESENT: Cllrs. A. T. Peach (Chairman), M. V. Beer, C. R. Beever, R. C. Crawley,
Mrs P. A. D. Dingley, P. B. Goddard, P. D. Jacques, Mrs L. C. Jones, J. Lee, T. J. Tapping,
I. A. Troughton
Mrs J. Freeland
Mrs J. Holmes

APOLOGIES: Graham J. Leaver – Clerk to the Council

There was 1 member of the public present.

08.132 ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman informed members that Cllr J. Lee has tendered his resignation, his reason being that he is interested in applying for the post of trainee Clerk.

The Chairman recorded his thanks to Mr Lee for his proactive work whilst on the Council. Mr Lee had agreed to continue with his work on the web site and as a flood warden. As a flood warden he would be willing to attend Parish Council meetings to formally report to members.

08.133 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Mr Peter Clark raised again, his and other residents, concerns about the Parish Office sign on the Church Hall.

The Chairman reminded Mr Clark of his response to his previous letter/petition, in that it was only a temporary measure to advise residents and deliveries of the location of the office and that in the near future it was hoped to replace it with a more appropriate sign.

08.134 MODEL CODE OF CONDUCT

Cllr M.V. Beer declared a personal interest in relation to all the applications to be considered at this meeting, as a member of the Windsor Development Control Panel of the Borough Council, and declared that he would not vote or make a final decision on any of them at this meeting.

08.135 MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THE 24TH SEPTEMBER 2008

The minutes were approved, subject to the following amendments, as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

Attendance Register

The name of Cllr C. Beever be added to the apologies list.

08.125 (24.09.08)

Should read that the Borough Council is offering grants.

08.136 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE ABOVE MINUTES

08.110 (24.09.08)

Cllr Mrs Dingley raised concern that there had still been no sign of the dog warden in the Recreation Ground. Cllr Peach and other members declared that they had seen the dog warden in the Recreation Ground since the last meeting.

08.119 (24.09.08)

Cllr Mrs Jones had asked Cllr Beever if he would be happy to take over the role of Deputy Lead Member for Policy and Resources. Cllr Beever agreed to this.

08.137 BOROUGH COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Cllr M. V. Beer spoke to his written report in which the following were noted.

- a) Cllr Beer had spoken to the Police and the Streetcare team regarding a damaged fence, in which wire had been stretched across the path.
- b) He had also been chasing the Borough Council in relation to the positioning of the real time indicator for bus stop, the Borough Councils suggestion of opposite the garage was not acceptable.

Cllr Beer was asked, by the Chairman, if it was possible for him to submit his report in advance of the meeting, to enable members to read and digest the content and then ask questions as necessary. This would also save time on the day.

Following the resignation of Cllr Lee, Lead Member for Planning, Cllr Terry Tapping, the Vice Lead Member, presented the planning aspects of the meeting.

08.138 REPORTS FROM MEMBERS WHO HAVE ATTENDED MEETINGS ON BEHALF OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

Cllr M.V. Beer and Cllr J. Lee had attended a recent Flood Awareness Fair, in which it was noted that this was more on a personal level and what to do after a flood.

Cllr J. Lee had been informed that an Environment Agency Flood Map had been produced for September 2008, of which the Parish Council had not seen and he would chase this up.

It was agreed that a meeting be arranged with interested members, to push forward the Flood Plan for Old Windsor, as the Parish Council had been waiting some time for the Borough Council to do this.

Cllr T. Tapping had attended a meeting of the Almshouses.

08.139 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Following the resignation of Cllr John Lee, as previously advised, Cllr Terry Tapping presented the planning applications to the Council.

Parish/Ward: Old Windsor Parish
Appn. Date: 16th September 2008 **Appn No.:** 08/02259
Type: Full
Proposal: Single storey rear/side extension
Location: **Rosemary Cottage 102 St Lukes Road Old Windsor Windsor SL4 2QJ**
Applicant: Mr Duncan Thompson
Determination Date: 11 November 2008

BB

No Objection.

Parish/Ward: Old Windsor Parish
Appn. Date: 16th September 2008 **Appn No.:** 08/02260
Type: Listed Building Consent
Proposal: Single storey rear/side extension with pitched roof extending over existing flat roof
Location: **Rosemary Cottage 102 St Lukes Road Old Windsor Windsor SL4 2QJ**
Applicant: Mr Duncan Thompson **c/o Agent:** Mr J Dredge Bluearchitecture 7 Denmark Avenue Woodley Reading Berkshire RG5 3LY
Determination Date: 11 November 2008

BB

No Objection.

Parish/Ward: Old Windsor Parish
Appn. Date: 18th September 2008 **Appn No.:** 08/02258
Type: Full
Proposal: Installation of a retractable awning
Location: **Guards Polo Club Smiths Lawn Windsor Great Park Windsor Staines TW20 OHP**
Applicant: Mr J Neighbour - Guards Polo Club Holdings Ltd **c/o Agent:** Mr G Williams - Gareth Williams And Assoc Coombe Hollow Cockerhurst Road Shoreham Kent TN14 7UA
Determination Date: 13 November 2008

KD

No Objection.

Parish/Ward: Old Windsor Parish
Appn. Date: 24th September 2008 **Appn No.:** 08/02309
Type: Works To Trees Covered by TPO
Proposal: Consent to reduce the side profile of an Oak overhanging the boundary of 4 Dunboyne Place
Location: **Moram Stables Datchet Road Old Windsor Windsor SL4 2RQ**
Applicant: Mrs Jupp c/o **Agent:** Landmark Tree Surgery Barn B Boveney Court Farm Boveney Road Dorney Maidenhead Berkshire SL4 6QG
Determination Date: 19 November 2008
JEC

Members felt that clarification was needed from the Borough in relation to the applicant and the Neighbour.

Parish/Ward: Old Windsor Parish
Appn. Date: 23rd September 2008 **Appn No.:** 08/02325
Type: Full
Proposal: Installation of electronically operated entrance gates with piers and railings
Location: **Bears Rails Crimp Hill Old Windsor**
Applicant: Windsor Park View Management Company c/o **Agent:** Mr A Dunmall - John Mortimer Bagshot Road Bracknell Berkshire RG12 9SE
Determination Date: 18 November 2008
DI

Members had strong objections to this application in that it was on a busy road, with poor site lines and was a road safety hazard. It was too close to the road in that with 2 cars/or a lorry they may overhang onto the road.

AMENDED APPLICATION

08/02101 13 Orchard Road. Erection of pitched roofs to three flat roofed dormers (retrospective)

No Objection.

In relation to this application Cllr Mr Beer asked that it be noted that the only interest he had in this application was as Chairman of the Residences Association, and that No's 13 and 14 were at different ends of the street.

08.140 PLANNING DECISIONS

PLANNING APPLICATION DECISIONS. PERMISSION

08/00641 6 Pelling Hill.
08/01417 Red Berries, Ham Island.
08/01803 11 Meadow Way.
08/01923 19 Meadow Close. Erect a single storey timber outbuilding in rear garden.
08/02075 38 Bears Rails Park. Changes to existing rear door and two rear windows.

PLANNING APPLICATION DECISIONS. REFUSED

08/01799 Land at 14 Pelling Hill. Construction of a four bedroom detached dwelling.

APPEALS

THE MANOR, CHURCH ROAD (now Manor House Care Centre): Appeals against RBWM Enforcement Notices re-unauthorised storage of building materials and access road to same were Dismissed by Planning Inspector on 1/9/08 with requirement to remove all & reinstate within 3 months and award of partial costs to RBWM.

(NB This property is now operating as Manor House Care Centre. The activity in question had been contrary to GB, Conservation Area & Setting of the Thames policies during & after the demolition & construction work.

07/03158 RED BERRIES, HAM ISLAND: Appeal against RBWM Refusal of application for 2 storey side extension was Dismissed by Planning Inspector on 11/9/08.

08.141 TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 (AS AMENDED)

It was noted that there was change to legislation in how residents can extend and alter their houses without planning permission. It was agreed that a copy of this be circulated to all members and put on the Parish Councils website.

Cllr J. Lee advised that information in relation to this was on the Royal Boroughs website.

It was also noted that there was now a vacancy for Deputy Lead Member for Planning.

08.142 POLICY & RESOURCES

The Lead Member was pleased to announce that a Lottery Fund of £46,200.00, which was towards the children's play area, should shortly be received.

Thanks be noted to Cllrs Mrs L. Jones and I. A. Troughton for their hard work in this regard.

In relation to appointment of a Deputy Lead Member for Policy and Resources, it was proposed, seconded and agreed that Cllr C. Beever be appointed.

08.143 ITEMS FOR BUDGETARY CONSIDERATION

The Lead Member asked members for their items of consideration for the budget meeting.

- a) Cllr A. T. Peach - Sign at the Parish Office.
- b) Cllr I. A. Troughton – Youth Club, maintenance on the Teenscene.
 - Railings outside the church, it was noted that this was budgeted for this year. Cllr Mrs L. Jones to obtain quotes
- c) Cllr A. T. Peach –The bolts on the entry gate to the meeting room were showing signs of wear, they had been adjusted but were still in need of further rectification/replacement. This should be added to the outstanding action to refurbish and paint the railings outside the meeting room. Numerous faults had been observed, both internal and external of the meeting room, had also been observed. The rectification of these should be carried out as matter of some urgency.
- d) Cllr M. V. Beer – Ditch refencing on Queens Close.

Other items noted that were not under the control of the Parish Council.

- a) Pedestrian crossings at Crimp Hill, near Ouesley Riverside and a village survey.

It was agreed that a letter, listing specific items of concern be written to the Royal Borough. Cllr A. T. Peach to write.
- b) St Peters Close – Landscaping and a dilapidated wall near the shopping precinct.
- c) Meadow Close/Church Road – the footpath is overgrown and rubbish dumped. If it is a numbered footpath Cllr Beer will request the Borough to take action.
- d) Police/Toilets – Still ongoing.
- e) Street lighting on Datchet Road had previously been requested. To be chased up.

08.144 ENVIRONMENT

The Lead Member reported that he had attended the children's play area after several telephone complaints that human excrement had been left on the slide. It was noted that Cllr Peach cleaned this up.

Cllr Mrs L. Jones advised members that water had been pooling at the bottom of the slide. Cllr Peach reported that he had contacted Miracle for a quotation to replace the offending spring. It was thought that this was surely covered under the warranty for the playground equipment. Following further communication from 'Miracle' this point would be bought to their attention.

It was asked what is happening with the shipping container from the school, and to bear in mind that the school would be closed from the 23rd October for a week. This would be the ideal time to carry out the removal of the container. Clerk to organise.

08.145 THE OLD WINDSOR COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

Cllr I. A. Troughton, in his capacity as Chairman of the Partnership informed members that the footpath lighting across the Recreation Ground was currently on hold and there was some confusion as to whether or not planning permission would be necessary.

Planning permission is not required as the land belongs to the Parish Council, in addition, the lamps are also below the maximum height restriction requiring planning permission. It was emphasised that the Community Partnership were acting on behalf of the Parish Council, so no problems with planning were envisaged, following this discussion and subsequent recording within the minutes.

He also advised that the Annual General Meeting of the Partnership is to be held on 23rd October 2008, this will be put on the website and notice boards.

08.146 THE NEIGHBOURHOOD ACTION GROUP

The Chairman of the Neighbourhood Action Group (N.A.G.), advised members that there was a CCTV camera on the Recreation Ground, which has already had some affect, and would also be there over the Halloween period.

He issued Halloween information to all members.

He also advised members that he was still in correspondence regarding the staffing problems relating to Thames Valley Police.

08.147 ACTION LIST

In the absence of the Clerk no action list was presented to this meeting. Cllr Peach would contact the Clerk in relation to outstanding items.

Item 15 – Cllrs C. Beever and T. Tapping had a meeting with a football club manager who had an interest in using this area for football training. Access would be through the Memorial Hall car park, a little work may be needed to level and mow but nothing significant. There was also a request for the possibility of a storage shed.

Cllr A. T. Peach advised that it would be courteous to advise the neighbours backing onto this area. Cllr T. Tapping would contact them.

Cllr Mrs L. Jones would speak to the playgroup.

Cllr I. A. Troughton thanked Cllrs Beever and Troughton for their work in this regard.

08.148 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman referred to correspondence from Parkside Housing in relation to a Public Consultation on the Randall Court site.

08.149 CLERKS REPORT

In the absence of The Clerk Mrs Freeland reported receipt of the following items which were noted.

- a) South East England – Partial Review of the South East Plan: Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Needs.
- b) Communities and Local Government – The making and enforcement of byelaws. A Consultation.
- c) RBWM – Rural Forum – Parish Council Representation.

It was noted that Cllr Troughton would be attending the Forum, and informed members of the need to elect someone to the B.A.L.C. Executive. Cllr Troughton was duly nominated, he informed members that he had been the vice chairman and that Mrs Betty Marlow has been the Treasurer, support was given to Mrs Marlow to continue as Treasurer of the B.A.L.C.

Cllr A. T. Peach thanked Mrs Janet Holmes for her attendance and assistance. He also thanked Mrs Freeland for covering in the absence of the Clerk.

08.150 NEXT MEETING

The Next Meeting will be held on 22nd October 2008 at 7.30pm in the Old Chapel Meeting Room.

CHAIRMAN

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 9.15PM