

Minutes of the meeting of Bucklebury Parish Council Planning Committee
held in The Victory Room, Bucklebury on
Monday 26th June 2023 at 7.45pm.

- 1 **Present:**
Cllr. Spours (Chairman); Cllr. J. Allum; Cllr. B. Dickens; Cllr. M. Morgan; Cllr. D. Southgate;
Cllr. P. Teal; Mrs. H. Pratt (Clerk).
Two members of the public were present.
- 2 **Apologies.**
Apologies of absence were received and accepted from Cllr. L. Clarke and Cllr. C. Willett.
- 3 **Declarations of Interest.**
There were no declarations of interest.
- 4 **Public Session.**
No points were raised during the public session.
- 5 **Approval of minutes of Planning Committee meeting held on the Monday 30th May 2023.**
The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 30th May 2023 were agreed as a true record of the
meeting and were signed by Cllr. Spours.
- 6 **Planning applications received from WBC:**
- 6.1 **23/01300/HOUSE – 78 Roundfield.**
Proposed front porch, outbuilding, demolition of existing sheds, and all associated works.
Cllr. Teal introduced the application and raised some concerns about the proximity of the porch
to the front window of 79 Roundfield.
The meeting was **closed** for the applicant to speak.
The applicant commented that the outbuilding is to be built of block work and timber clad on
the south elevation (facing the dwelling). The depth may be reduced on the grounds of costs.
The outbuilding is to be used primarily as a workshop, but may also contain a family space (no
water or services will be available in the outbuilding). The proposed porch will not reduce the
parking space as it will only extend over the existing front path.
The meeting was **reopened**.
It was agreed that BPC **objects** to this application on the basis of the impact of the porch on 79
Roundfield. BPC has no objection to the proposed outbuilding.
- 6.2 **23/01120/HOUSE – River Barn, Marlston.**
*Garage with storage above including demolition of existing outbuilding. Amendment (not
shown on the WBC website on 26/6/2023).*
The discussion on the amendment to this application was deferred until the BPC meeting on the
10th July because the amendment is still not available on the WBC website.
- 7 **Review of applications within 200m of the parish boundary.**
- 7.1 **23/01405/HOUSE – Florence Cottage.**
Proposed rear extensions and conversion.
WBC has consulted BPC on this application so it was agreed that it would be considered by
councillors at the BPC meeting on the 10th July.
- 8 **Round Table Comments.**
- 8.1 **Draft Local Plan.**
The Planning Inspector sent a list of 30 preliminary questions to WBC officers. Three days
before the deadline for the answers to these questions, WBC requested an extension of 3
months.
- 8.2 **WBC Governance and Ethics Committee.**
Cllr. Southgate reported that WBC financial reserves have fallen. Work continues to go on to
sign off the accounts from 3 years ago. Major assets have been revalued which has included
roads being given a longer life.

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8.3 Speed Indicator Device (SID) Usage.

The BPC SID was deployed in Chapel Row and on Burdens Heath on Sunday 25th June. On Burdens Heath more than 50% of vehicles were travelling in excess of ACPO guidelines. Cllr. Southgate reported that it is possible to purchase a module which will record the speed of vehicles from the opposite direction as well as those coming towards the device display (enabling twice as much data to be collected). This module costs £150. It was agreed that this would be desirable for BPC. The Clerk suggested possible partial funding from a WBC Members Bid.

8.4 Traffic at the Cornerpiece.

Following the article in The Oaks about the possibility of double yellow lines a number of comments have been received from parishioners. The information will be published on Facebook and on the website before being considered at the BPC meeting on the 10th July.

The meeting closed at 8.30pm.

Future meetings:

BPC Meeting:

Monday 10th July 2023 – 7.45pm (Victory Room).

Planning Meeting:

Monday 24th July 2023 – 7.45pm (Victory Room).

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