

The Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 9th September 2020

A meeting of the Planning Committee was held on 9th September 2020 at 6.00 pm via Zoom where members of the public were also invited.

The following Councillors were present: -

Cllr. B. Sumner, Chairman
Cllr. B. Hadley, Ex-officio
Cllr. S. Coventry
Cllr. A. Davis
Cllr. L. Hicks
Cllr. N. Randall
Cllr. L. Wilkins
Officer: The Clerk
District Cllr. N. Maunder

1. **Apologies for absence** - None.
2. **Declarations of Interest:** Cllr. Davis declared an interest in planning application 20/02515/TPO as she was Chairperson for Bourton Chase Residents Association but she had no pecuniary interest.
3. **Planning minutes dated 12th & 19th August 2020**
Cllr. N. Randall proposed to receive and approve the planning minutes dated 12th August 2020. Cllr. L. Hicks seconded the proposal. A unanimous vote was taken of all in favour of the proposal.
Cllr. B. Sumner proposed to receive and approve the planning minutes dated 19th August 2020. Cllr. L. Wilkins seconded the proposal. A unanimous vote was taken of all in favour of the proposal.
4. **Matters Arising**
Manor Fields Car Park - It had been noted that a record was being kept on the number of days the Manor Fields had been used as a car park this year.
Enforcement Cases – Cllr. N. Maunder had nothing to update the planning committee on.
A Board Policy – GCC were to be chased regarding their A Board policy as there were A Boards in the High Street which restricted the width of the pavement.
Proposed Electric Car Charging Station – The Parish Council had sent a strong objection to the Planning Inspectorate on the proposed electric car charging station on the Fosseyway.
Boundary Fence at Bloor Homes – About two years ago, Bloor Homes were advised by the Planning Authority to remove the high fencing they had recently erected at the request of some residents however Parish Council were happy with the fence but supported the resident request. Taking advantage of this, pedestrians had then broken down the original lightweight stock proof fencing, and had cut down tree branches, hedgerow and other vegetation, to create a new breach in the boundary. About a month ago, Councillors were made aware of a call for further breaches in the hedgerow to be made. Police had advised that this would be a criminal act if Bloor Homes were to make a complaint. The Greystones Nature Reserve were concerned if the cut through from Bloor Homes remained, then people could access Greystones from that direction however some residents were unhappy with any cut through being created and wished the boundary to be secure. According to minutes 27.3.2019 Council suggested following damage to the post and rail fence this be replaced with a low close boarded fence right along the full length of the boundary. This appears not to have been carried out and the stock proof fence continues to be breached. The Clerk was to check the planning condition regarding the provision of a hawthorn hedgerow leading from Bloor Homes

to Moor Lane. A light weight wooden post and rail fence was due to be installed around the attenuation pond at the Bourton Chase Phase 3 development.

5. **Planning Applications**

- 1) Ref: 20/02345/FUL Quince Cottage, Letch Lane
Erection of single storey side extension.

COMMENT: No objection.

- 2) Ref: 20/02700/TPO Roof Trees, Rissington Road
Works to trees with a TPO for lime trees – 2, 3 & 4 Reduction in crowns. The present tree heights are 57 ft, 57 ft and 50 ft – Reduce by 20% leaving the trees at an approximate height of 46 ft.

COMMENT: No objection.

- 3) Ref: 20/02515/TPO Junction of Kingfisher Road and Mallard Crescent
Works to trees with a TPO for oak – Reduce the lowest branches only, back from swing and soft mat surface by no more than 3 m from branch tips, and no further back than playground face side of hedge. No pruning cuts to exceed 75 mm.

COMMENT: No objection and the Parish Council will agree with the tree officer's decision.

- 4) Ref: 20/02890/TCONR Burghfield House, Rissington Road
Works to trees in conservation areas for – 1. To fell to ground level 2 semi mature ash trees (T1) overhanging garden showing signs of ash die back. 2. To pollard 3 ash (T2) on end of driveway showing signs of ash die back. 3. To reduce to approx. power line height 2 large ash (T3) on side of drive – these are dying back, over mature and next to buildings and PROW. 4. To pollard large mature ash in hedgerow (T4) – these are dying back, over mature and next to buildings and PROW.

COMMENT: No objection and the Parish Council will agree with the tree officer's decision.

- 6. **Decisions at Variance** – None.

7. **Any Other Business**

Government Planning White Paper – The committee agreed for a CDC officer to attend a meeting via Zoom to go through the Government Planning White Paper. (Meeting to be arranged)

- 8. **Date of Next Meeting** – Wednesday 23rd September 2020 at 6.00 pm.

The meeting closed at 6.51 pm.

Signed