

Minutes of the meeting of Bucklebury Parish Council Planning Committee
held in The Victory Room, Bucklebury on
Monday 23rd October 2023 at 7.45pm.

- 1 **Present:**
Cllr. D. Southgate (Vice-Chairman); Cllr. J. Allum; Cllr. B. Dickens; Cllr. L. Clarke; Cllr. M. Morgan; Cllr. P. Teal; Cllr. C. Willett; Mrs. H. Pratt (Clerk).
Three members of the public.
- 2 **Apologies.**
Apologies of absence were received and accepted from Cllr. P. Spours, Cllr. G. Loader and Cllr. G. Woods.
- 3 **Declarations of Interest.**
There were no declarations of interest.
- 4 **Public Session.**
No issues were raised during the public session.
- 5 **Planning Committee meeting held on the Tuesday 29th August 2023.**
The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 29th August 2023 were agreed as a true record of the meeting and signed by Cllr. Southgate.
- 6 **Planning applications received from WBC:**
- 6.1 23/02276/HOUSE – 71 Roundfield.
Two storey front and single storey rear extensions.
It was unanimously agreed that BPC has **no objection** to this application.
- 6.2 Well Cottage, Long Grove.
Well Cottage changed hands a few years ago. It is well set back from Long Grove with space around the dwelling on all sides.
- 6.2.1 23/02240/HOUSE – Well Cottage, Long Grove.
Extension and reconfiguration.
Neighbours raised some concern about the window on the south elevation which has the potential to directly overlook windows of the bungalow.
The meeting was **closed** for the applicant to speak.
The first floor window on the south elevation with the potential to overlook the neighbouring bungalow is actually an atrium window without access from the first floor. The exterior wood cladding has been incorporated to soften the effect of the building. The extension will replace the ugly asbestos outbuilding.
Well Cottage and Brynmill were originally of identical design, Brynmill has been much extended.
The meeting was **reopened**.
It was unanimously agreed that BPC has **no objection** to this application subject to a condition that the static caravan for use during the development be removed on completion of the project.
- 6.2.2 23/02259/FUL – Well Cottage, Long Grove.
Ancillary accommodation to the existing first-floor space above a detached carport.
It was unanimously agreed that BPC has **no objection** to this application subject to the garage accommodation remaining ancillary to Well Cottage.
- 6.3 23/02190/HOUSE – Connemara, Drove Lane (Adjacent Parish – Cold Ash).
First floor roof extension to create 4 no. bedrooms and detached car port over existing parking area.
Cold Ash PC have not yet discussed this application. On the basis that this application cannot be seen from Bucklebury Parish it was agreed that **no comment** would be submitted on this application.

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- 6.4 23/02243/HOUSE – Tree Tops, Hatch Lane.
Proposed ground floor rear extension, floor plan redesign and all associated works.
 The property has previously been extended to the side and the rear, having originally included a shop.
 It was agreed that BPC has **no objection** to this application.
- 7 **Review of applications within 200m of the parish boundary.**
 No new applications have been submitted to WBC within 200m of the parish boundary
- 8 **Round Table Comments.**
- 8.1 Bucklebury Estate Heritage Lottery Grant Application.
 The Estate is seeking support for its Heritage Lottery Grant Application; the Clerk will write in support.
- 8.2 Tree Planting for Alderman Graham Pask.
 The tree planting ceremony will take place on the Recreation Ground on Sunday 12th November at 2pm. The Clerk will send out invites. Cllr. Dickens will organise the refreshments.
- 8.3 Events Committee Representative.
 Cllr. Morgan had been suggested as a possible candidate for the Events Committee at the last meeting in his absence. He reported that this was not his forte and someone else may be a better candidate.
- 8.4 Parking for The Cottage Inn Fireworks.
 The Clerk awaits a response from the BPC insurance company about whether councillors and volunteers would be covered as parking stewards for the duration of the Firework event. Councillors continued to raise concerns about liability of councillors and volunteers if acting as stewards.
 It has been suggested that the Landlord contact the Memorial Hall and All Saints Church about use of their carparks.
- 8.5 Community Speed Watch (CSW).
 Cllr. Southgate has written a first draft of the material required for the Thames Valley Police (TVP) CSW. TVP will now provide the required kit on permanent loan, subject to it being used. However, signage, approved by TVP must be used which is expected to cost approximately £1,000 to cover the three Bucklebury communities; it is anticipated that some of this will be covered by a WBC Members Bid.

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The meeting closed at 9.00pm.

Future meetings:

BPC Meeting: Monday 13th November 2023 – 7.45pm (Victory Room).

Planning Meeting: Monday 27th November 2023 – 7.45pm (Victory Room).

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