

NOTES FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING ON 3rd AUGUST 2020

Public Forum

Three members of the public joined the meeting. Anyone can attend but please contact the Clerk if you would like to speak.

- Concern was expressed about an increase in parking in Mallard Way, Aldermaston Wharf, which is obstructing the road. Most of the parking is from canal users. PC agreed to take this up with WBC.
- A representative of the applicant explained the planning application for replacement of Unit 15 in Beenham Industrial Estate (see below)
- The proposed change in the management of Greyfield Wood to a Community Interest Company (CIC) was presented. The PC supported this change. For more details see last month's Beenham News.

Planning

20/01310/FULD – 18 Mount Pleasant – New two story 3 bedroom house and conversion of existing 2 bedroom house. – OBJECTION

The property has an approved planning application for a side and rear extension, but this application is for 2 separate properties. The objection was due to the lack of parking provision and over development of a small site. There was also concern about the adjacent footpath.

20/01397/FUL – Unit 15, Beenham Industrial Estate – Replacement with 2 industrial units. – NO OBJECTION

Comment was made requesting WBC to check the road dimensions around the building.

20/01501/HOUSE- 50, Mallard Way – Single storey rear extension – NO OBJECTION

20/01562/FUL – Garage and Flat, White Cottage, Webbs Lane – Formation of separate curtilage to allow existing flat to be independent. – OBJECTION

Overdevelopment of a site containing two listed buildings. Councillors believe that the street scene needs to be preserved in this historically sensitive area.

20/01665/HOUSE – The Nook – Single storey rear extension and extend roof conversion. – NO OBJECTION.

Community Room & School Hall

The PC discussed the possibility of reopening the Community Room and/or School Hall, when activities are approved by the government. The facilities are currently used by the school and pre-school, which may make it difficult to allow other activities to take place safely. It was agreed that PC would consult with the regular users and report to the next meeting.

New lighting has been installed in the Hall, as the old lighting was falling apart. Thanks to Jackie Johnson who managed the early stages of this project, and got the grant that made it possible.

Finance

Greyfield Wood requested a grant of £1,250, as contribution to the costs of setting up the CIC. PC supports this project, which will benefit the whole village. PC will confirm the grant when the CIC has been established, and the purpose of the grant has been clarified.

Greener Beenham

Greener Beenham have asked PC if they could plant some fruit trees in 4 locations in Beenham. The PC requested a plan showing the exact locations, which would be needed for submission to WBC.

Aldermaston Wharf

The parish council would like to hear more from people living in Aldermaston Wharf. Tanya Bunce has taken over responsibility for Aldermaston Wharf, and would love to hear from you.

The next Parish Council meeting will be online on Monday 7th September, starting at 7.00pm. All parishioners are welcome to attend, but please contact the Parish Clerk beforehand if you wish to speak.

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