

# WASHINGTON PARISH COUNCIL



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## Washington Parish Council Planning and Transport Committee Meeting

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Draft MINUTES of the Committee Meeting held on Monday, 16th October, 2017 at  
Washington Village Hall

**PRESENT:** Cllr L Britt, Cllr C Beglan, Cllr T Cook, Cllr A Lisher and Cllr R Milner-Gulland

**ALSO:** Zoe Savill Clerk to the Council

**MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC:** 0

**ABSENT:** Cllr Heeley and Cllr Henderson

The meeting was opened at 20:15 hours.

#### 1. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Heeley (holiday) and Cllr Henderson (unwell)

#### 2. Declarations of Interest from members in any item to be discussed and agree Dispensations.

None received

#### 3. To approve the Minutes of the last Planning & Transport Committee meeting

The minutes of the Meeting of 18th September, 2017 were **AGREED** as being a correct record and **duly signed** by the Chairman.

#### 4. Public Speaking

No members of the public spoke at the meeting

#### 5. To consider new planning applications on the current weekly lists from Horsham

**District Council and West Sussex County Council** (the running order of this item may change at the discretion of the Chairman in order to accommodate any members of the

public in attendance).

**DC/17/1925 - Sunnybank Hampers Lane Storrington RH20 3HY**

*Proposed two-bay oak-framed garage*

**RESOLVED** to make **NO OBJECTION** to the application

**DC/17/2234 - Corris Rock Road Washington RH20 3BQ**

*Demolition of existing stable block and erection of single-storey log cabin to form office for aviation medical services.*

Councillors discussed the application, a re-submission of the previously rejected DC/16/1730. It was the general consensus of opinion that whilst sympathetic to the personal needs of the applicant, Councillors agreed to maintain their objection as they considered it was not appropriate development within a rural location.

**RESOLVED to OBJECT** to the application for those reasons given by Horsham District Council in the original application. However, if the Planning Authority is mindful to permit the development, to request strong restrictions on use and ensure that the office is tied to Corris, the main residence.

**DC/17/2255 - Little Acorns Hampers Lane Storrington RH20 3HZ**

Removal of condition: To change appearance of the garages to suit the main property hereby changing the line of the proposed roof for the new two-bay garage from a hip to a barn end.

**RESOLVED** to make **NO OBJECTION** to the application.

**DISC/17/0393 - John Ireland Way Washington (Milford Grange)**

Approval of details reserved by Condition 16 to DC/16/10/1457 (acoustic fencing)

**RESOLVED** to comment that there have been concerns from residents at Milford Grange that the acoustic fencing has not been completed satisfactorily and additional work is required.

**For information only -**

Councillors NOTED the following:

**6. Enforcement Issues**

**Ref:** EN/17/0481

**Site:** Land Adj. to Highfield, Rock Road, Washington RH20 3BH

**Nature of complaint:** Alleged creation of road to the side of Highfield used by vehicles throughout the night and day.

**Status:** Pending consideration.

**Received:** Monday 25th September 2017

**7. To Receive and Report planning department decisions**

No decisions to report at the time of publication of the Agenda

**8. Appeals**

No further appeals at the time of publication of the Agenda

## 9. To Discuss Planning and Transport issues

### To Consider a Report on a meeting with the Highways Authority to discuss walking safety to school, parking issues and signage in Sandhill Lane.

Cllr Lisher's report of the meeting with Chris Stark, WSCC Highways' Horsham area manager in July was circulated.

Councillors NOTED that Mr Stark was broadly supportive of proposals for a 'Walking Bus' route to St Mary's CE First School, and disabled signage in Sandhill Lane but costs would have to be met either by S106 monies or the Council's Reserves. The Council also to be responsible for arranging quotations to re-surface the cinder path by the Recreation Ground and the proposed path extension agreed by OSRA (October 2017 meeting), and use a combination of voluntary help to clear overgrown vegetation. It was also NOTED that parents from Rock Road and Montpelier have indicated their willingness to help clear pathways.

There was a general consensus of agreement that the proposed restricted parking scheme by the London Road allotments might push the parking problem elsewhere in the area, and to wait and see if the Kia garage proposals reduce off-site parking.

**RESOLVED** to **RECOMMEND** approval by Full Council of the 'Walking Bus' scheme, subject to planning approval of the Recreation Ground pathway (if required) and costs, **AND** clerk to write to parents via the School to appeal for volunteers to help clear the paths. Also to contact Southern Water requesting the clearance of vegetation which is encroaching from their site on the Triangle onto the footpath.

### To Consider a response to HDC changes to planning delegation rules

Councillors discussed Horsham District Council's decision to change its constitution on planning delegation rules so that fewer planning applications can be referred to Committee.

Councillors **NOTED** the reasons for the changes to increase efficiency in dealing with planning applications.

**RESOLVED** to write to Horsham District Council requesting that only a minor amendments are delegated which do not deviate from the original planning decision.

Councillors **NOTED** the following information:

#### SDNPA Workshop

Cllr Henderson attended the South Downs National Park Authority (SDNPA) workshop on 4th October.

The Chairman reported that the SDNPA Pre-Submission South Downs Local Plan Consultation runs from 26th September - 21st November. Draft documents have been circulated to councillors in order to consider a response at the Parish Council meeting on 6 November.

#### Public and community transport services in Washington

Cllr Paul Marshall (HDC) forwarded a WSCC list of bus services in Washington serving the

Storrington area, and local Community transport providers who may be able to assist residents unable to access public services. Circulated to Councillors and published on the Council's website and Spring Gardens/Montpelier noticeboards.

**10. To Receive Items for the Next Planning and Transport Agenda**

Washington A24 bus stop suspensions - to request support from Age Concern.

Date of next meeting: 20th November 2017

Full Council Meeting: 6th November, 2017

The meeting closed at 21:05 hours

Signed.....

Dated.....

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