

**Washington Parish Council**

**Planning and Transport Committee**

**MINUTES** of the Planning & Transport Committee Meeting held on Monday 19th July, 2021 at Washington Village Hall (Dore Room)

**PRESENT:** Cllr S. Buddell, Cllr P Heeley, and Cllr A Lisher (Chairman).

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

**MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**: 0

**ABSENT**: Cllr C Beglan

**The Meeting was opened by the Chairman at 8:00pm**

1. **To Co-opt Cllr Buddell to the meeting and consider apologies for absence.**

**RESOLVED** to co-opt Cllr Buddell to the meeting so that it is quorate and **ACCEPT** apologies and reason for absence fromCllr Beglan

1. **Declarations of Interest from members in any item to be discussed and agree Dispensations.**

None declared.

1. **To approve the Minutes of the last Planning & Transport Committee meeting**

It was noted that there was no meeting in May and June. **RESOLVED** to **APPROVE** the minutes of the

last meeting on 26th April, 2021 as the correct record and to be duly signed by the Chairman.

1. **Public Speaking**

None.

1. **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/21/0931 - Beech Tree Corner Georges Lane Storrington RH20 3JH**

*Fell 1 x Spruce and Surgery to 3 x Oaks, 1 x Beech*

Members discussed this application and **RESOLVED** to make no comment but to defer to the Horsham

District Council Tree Officer.

**DC/21/1222 - Woodpeckers Georges Lane Storrington RH20 3JH**

*Remodelling of existing dwelling including raising of roof height, erection of two storey front, side*

*and rear extensions, fenestration changes and associated works*.

Members discussed this application, noting the proposal on the same footprint of the existing

property, including the incorporation of the existing garage into the main building. There were no

comments from the neighbour and ‘No Comment’ from the SDNP published on the planning portal.

**RESOLVED** to make **NO OBJECTION** in principle but members are mindful that the proposed

new ridge height of the roof is not specified.

1. **Planning Compliance – for information only**

**SDNP /21/00405/DEVMON** - **St Mary’s Gate The Street Washington West Sussex**

*Alleged breach of Condition 3 condition 3 (windows ) of SDNP /17/03716/HOUS and*

*development not in Accordance with the approved plans*

Members noted that this is under investigation by HDC Planning Compliance team

**EN/21/0325 05/07/2021 Unit 1 & 2 Farm Shop Spring Gardens Nursery Spring Gardens Washington**

**RH20 3BS**

*Alleged: hire of greenhouse conservatory for weddings and private parties*

The Chairman reported that this case is closed.

**EN/21/0336 09/07/2021 Sanctuary Lane Storrington RH20 3JD**

*Alleged: erection of fence over 3 feet high adjacent to public highway*

Members noted that this is under investigation by HDC Planning Compliance team

1. **To Receive and Report planning department decisions – for information only**

Parish: Washington PC

Application Number: DC/21/0893

Site: 4 Lamorna Close Washington Pulborough West Sussex RH20 3GN

Description: Erection of a two-storey side extension.

Decision: Application Permitted

Date of Decision: 08/07/2021

1. **Appeals**

None lodged or decided at the time of the meeting.

1. **To Discuss Transport and Planning Issues.**

**To Review and agree the Council’s draft Community Highways Scheme application for**

**A24/Rock Road slip road improvements.**

Members discussed the Council’s Community Highways Scheme application for the A24/Rock

Road slip road improvements, drafted by the Clerk, with proposed amendments.

Following a discussion, it was **RESOLVED** to agree to the draft without amendment. Clerk to submit

the application to be led by the Parish Council and supported by the county council members for the ward, Cllr Paul Marshall.

**To Review and agree any amendments of residents’ draft Community Highways Scheme application**

**for sound mitigation proposals in Old London Road.**

Members reviewed a Community Highways Scheme application for sound mitigation between the A24

and Old London Road, drafted by resident Dr Tom Petersen.

Following a discussion, it was **RESOLVED** tosupport in principle the need of a sound barrier. It was

noted that the application will be submitted and led by Dr Petersen and named residents in Old

London Road/Lamorna and Montpelier Gardens.

**To Report the Rampion 2 public consultation 14th July-16th September 2021 and Agree any matters to**

**raise at the next Onshore Community PLG Group Meeting on 20th July***.*

Members noted the letter from Rampion 2 notifying the council of its public consultation from

14th July-16th September 2021 at: <https://rampion2.com/> and the proposed Washington B route

through the village, via horizontal directional drilling under the Recreation Ground/Allotment land.

The Chairman commented that the parish has been presented with a *fait accomplis* because the

alternative Route A, south of the village, has been discounted and the parish council was not invited to

be involved in those discussions.

He pointed out that it was clear from the consultation documents for alternative routes that Rampion

had not listened to the Council’s concerns (in February’s informal consultation) about the route going

through the village and the associated disruption it will cause. He recommended that Rampion is

challenged on this and asked to provide more detail on why the other routes are discounted.

Members also noted the following matters to be raised at the Rampion2 inshore public liaison group

meeting on 20th July, as requested by OSRA:

* The impact on the health of residents and users of the council land from the cable route

on council land, and the development licence and how this would impose serious

restrictions on any future council activities.

It was noted that the clerk had sought legal advice on easement access for the Rampion ecological

surveys on the council’s land, andd will be pushing for this ahead of the onsite meeting with

Carter Jonas on 3rd September.

A more detailed map from Rampion of the proposed route, was previously circulated. Members

commented that it was still unclear on the exact location of the cable on council land and difficult to

understand because it lacked a key for the map symbols. An invitation to two online public forums

with Rampion was also discussed. Members agreed they could not attend the one proposed on

27th July and the other one on 6th September clashed with the Full Council meeting.

**RESOLVED** to request an online meeting with Rampion on either 1st, 2nd or 3rd September at

7pm, and which residents can attend. The Chairman agreed to raise the matters requested by OSRA

when he attends the Rampion inshore public liaison group meeting on 20th July. A report will be made

at the next Full Council Meeting on 2nd August.

**To Review the Committee’s Terms of Reference.**

Members noted that the annual review of the Terms of Reference was deferred to the committee at

the Annual Parish Council meeting on 4th May. Members reviewed the committee’s ToR. Following

a discussion it was agreed to recommend that where a consultation response for a planning application

(not major) is required before the next meeting, this is delegated to the Clerk, in consultation with the

Committee or the Council Chairman and Vice-Chairman/Committee Chairman (or member of the

Committee if the Committee Chairman is absent). If the Clerk is absent, the response is delegated to

the above in the same order. Responses to any major applications will not be considered if they are too

late for a meeting or where the consultation deadline cannot be extended.

**RESOLVED** to make the recommendation to the next Full Council Meeting on 2nd August for approval

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**To Report roadworks in the area – for information only**

Members noted the diversion for carriageway resurfacing on the Horsham Road A24 Northbound

at Washington is scheduled for completion on 25th July. Details of all road works in the area are

published at: <https://one.network/custom/westsussex>

1. **To Receive Items for the next Planning and Transport Agenda**

None received.

1. **Date of next** **meetings in the Dore Room, Washington Village Hall**:

Members noted that the clerk will be on annual leave for the Committee meetings on 16th August.

**RESOLVED** to postpone the meeting unless required and to make arrangements between members for a volunteer to clerk the meeting. Members also noted the date of the Full Council Meeting on Monday 2nd August, 7:30pm at the Village Hall.

There being no other business to discuss, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9:26pm.

**Signed……………………………………………..**

**Dated………………………………………………**