**BISHOPSTONE PARISH COUNCIL 620**

**Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held at Bishopstone Village Hall**

**on Monday 8th April 2024 at 7.30pm**

**Those present:** Val Brodin (Chair), Ian Thomas, Gary Pass, Nigel Crisp, Steve Bell, Karen Walker, Gary Sumner (ward councillor), Jaine Blackman (clerk).

1. **Public Question Time** No members of the public attended.
2. **Approved Apologies** Lucille McGrath, Gill May, Julian Cooke.
3. **Declarations of Interest** None.
4. **Minutes of Last Meeting 4th March 2024** Proposed by Cllr Crisp, seconded by Cllr Walker and agreed.
5. **Matters Arising** Still waiting for replies from tree officer re The Chalet and regarding One Acre. Cllr Thomas said he would check vegetation had been cut back at The Wyncies. All other actions had been completed
6. **Planning**

**S/24/0242** Erection of a garage, a replacement timber barn to be used as ancillary

accommodation to barn B, 2 no. single storey outbuildings and amendments to car parking arrangements and landscaping at West Hinton Farm, Hinton Parva Lane, Hinton Parva. **ACTION:** Clerk to write to SBC with no objection.

**S/HOU/23/0764** Installation of solar panels at Old Post House, Nell Hill, Bishopstone. Cllr Thomas proposed objecting to panels on the front of the property because of the impact on the Conservation Area. Carried by three votes to two. **ACTION:** Clerk to write to SBC objecting to solar panels on the front of the house but not the side or back.

**LATE RECEIPT OF APPLICATION**

**PENDING DETERMINATION**

**S/OUT/23/0456:** Outline planning permission for up to 275 dwellings (use class C3) revised documents at New Eastern Villages.

**S/24/0183** Demolition of existing chalet, erection of 1no. dwelling (Class C3), retention of garage and ancillary accommodation and associated works. - Variation of condition 2 from previous application S/23/1069 to amend drawing number showing new positioning of dwelling at The Chalet, Church Row, Hinton Parva.

**S/OUT/23/1514** Outline application for the erection of up to 80 dwellings and open space with all matters reserved other than means of access. Redlands Phase 2, Redlands Farm Wanborough Road

**S/HOU/23/1274** Erection of a single storey rear extension with balcony above, 2no dormer windows and external staircase at Newhaven, Church Walk Bishopstone**.**

**Redlands Eastern Villages** applications numbers S/RES/21/0584/EDSN; S/RES/21/0607/EDSN; S/RES/21/0498/EDSN; S/RES/21/0867/EDSN **Redlands Phase 2** S/OUT/22/1415; **Foxbridge** S/OUT/20/0160.

**GRANTED**

**S/23/1482** Installation of solar panels at former That Hovel, Oxon Place, Bishopstone.

**S/HOU/23/0391** Erection of a detached outbuilding/home office at Hergest Ridge, Cues Lane, Bishopstone.

**S/HOU/23/1385** Erection of a tennis court with surround fencing and family swimming pool with retractable cover, stone paved surround and adjoining terrace at Hill Manor House, Hatchet Hill, Hinton Parva.

**S/23/0837** Change of use of land from agricultural to private equestrian (retrospective).

at land at White Hill, Hinton Parva.

**REFUSED**

**S/23/0190** Change of use from agricultural to residential land and erection of 1 no. dwelling (class C3) with detached garage at land adjacent to Westhill House, Hinton Parva.

**APPEAL**

**Inquiry** regarding Swindon Borough Council for failure to give notice of its decision within the appropriate period on application Lotmead S/23/0438

1. **Report from Ward Cllr Gary Sumner**

Cllr Sumner reported that he is still pursuing the issue of potholes on Goor Lane and whether they are the responsibility of SBC. It has now been escalated as a Stage 4 complaint.

Cllr Bell had taken Cllr Sumner to see problems of road damage from silt and water bypassing gullies on Nell Hill causing flooding problems by the village hall. It was suggested a hump at the front of the village hall car park might protect the hall by diverting the water flow.

1. **20mph consultation** Latest revised plans were discussed and it was felt that a proposed one metre verge outside The Mill was too wide and should be reduced to half a metre. Councillors requested that the parish council be informed as soon as the public consultation was planned so it can be publicised to residents. **ACTION:** Cllr Sumner to report feedback to the senior transport engineer dealing with the matter.
2. **Devolution of services** No further information had been received.
3. **Key Area updates**

**Finance** It was agreed that up to £18K could be put into savings accounts. **ACTION:** Cllr Crisp to set up savings account(s) for RFO to administer.

**Footpaths and Highways**

* Cllr Thomas had complaints from residents that the public footpath from the church car park was very muddy. **ACTION:** Condition to be monitored. Landowner to be contacted to see if any solution could be found.
* Cllr Cooke had cleared gravel outside Hinton Parva Village Hall and at Hinton Springs.

**Pond & Island** The Clerk had sent the owner’s agent photographs of the debris from flooding coming from a building site at Oxon Place and it had been cleaned up.

**Hinton Parva Village Hall** Work progressing well. Might be able to re-open in May. Anti-flooding measures are being investigated for future protection.

**Bishopstone Village Hall** Nothing to report.

**Hinton Parva Charities** Nothing to report.

**Bishopstone United Charities** Nothing to report.

**Trees** ACTION: Clerk to check

**Planning** Nothing to report.

**Website/IT** Nothing to report.

**Policies** Nothing to report.

**School Liaison** Nothing to report.

**Responsible Financial Officer** RFO reported that the paperwork for this year’s AGAR would be handed to Paul Bailey for audit this week. She said she was waiting for the lengthman’s contract to be returned along with his updated invoice and was granted permission to pay any back monies owed. She requested that a laptop be provided for council business. **ACTION:** Cllrs Crisp and Walker to investigate sourcing a laptop.

1. **GDPR** Chair reminded councillors not to share anyone’s personal data (identifying information) without the individual’s express consent and to destroy notes containing personal data once an issue has been resolved.
2. **Community Safety** A road accident at Hatchett Hill was reported. Police had attended.
3. **Accounts to be paid:** see Appendix 1.
4. **Parishioners Feedback/Complaints**. Cllr Thomas reported Ivy overhanging the highway near Hinton Parva Village Hall is causing problems at a pinch point. He also said New Town Lane and The Forty had problems with gravel from Eastbrook Farm. **ACTION:** Cllr Thomas to report a faulty road repair to SBC and draft a letter for clerk to send to Eastbrook Farm.
5. The next meeting date is 13th May, 2024 at Bishopstone Village Hall at 7.30pm. Preceded by annual parish meeting at 7pm. Any changes will be posted on noticeboards, website and Facebook.

The meeting closed at 9.20pm.

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| **Accounts to be paid**  **SUPPLIER**  Jaine Blackman Clerk’s salary - no need for ratification agreed by Council  Allbuild Lengthman’s invoice - no need for ratification agreed by Council  1&1 Internet host services - no need for ratification agreed by Council  WALC Swindon Area Committee subscription  Grant to Bishopstone Village Hall  - no need for ratification agreed by Council  Grant to Hinton Parva Village Hall  - no need for ratification agreed by Council  Grant to newsletter - no need for ratification agreed by Council | APPENDIX 1 | **Amount**  £472.50  £457.50 (£381.58 plus £76.32 VAT @ 20%)  £4.80 (inc 80p VAT @ 20 %)  £15  £300  £300  £600 |