

**Westfield Parish Council**

**Minutes of the Environment and Development Committee Meeting held at the Oval Office, St Peters Business Park, Westfield on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March commencing at 7pm**

**Present:** Cllrs B Wallbridge (Chair), D Cooper, G Fuller, J Honess, E Jackson and P Williams.

**Absent:** Cllrs K Docherty, R Hopkins and A Butcher,

**Also attending:** Lesley Close, Clerk and Tracey Stephens, Admin Asst

**146. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND TO CONSIDER THE REASONS GIVEN**

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs Hopkins and Butcher.

**147. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS**

- Cllr Williams declared an interest in item 11 – Larch Court Allotments – as her son lives in Larch Court.
- Cllr Williams declared an interest in item 4 – Planning Applications for consideration – as she knows two of the applicants personally.
- Cllr Honess declared an interest in item 9 – Grit Bins – as he lives very close to Alder Terrace.

**148. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

The minutes of the last meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> February 2019 were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chair

**149. PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION**

There were no objections to the following applications:

19/00615/TCA	29 Wells Road	1xOak – crown lift by removing 6 x lower limbs of a diameter no greater than 10cm
19/00224/FUL	21 Wells Square	Erection of a two storey side extension
19/00888/FUL	15 Larch Court	Erection of a two storey side extension
19/00903/FUL	Sun Chemicals	Proposed external façade alterations to building 5 and associated external works
19/00909/FUL	10 Lindon Close	Erection of a single storey rear extension and internal alterations
19/00875/AR	Howden Joinery Properties Ltd, Third Avenue	Display of 3no internally illuminated fascia signs and 1no non-illuminated free standing sign

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**19/00616/FUL – 31 Waterside Road, Creation of an off street parking area**

The committee objected to this application because it was felt that it was contrary to urban design and out of keeping with the street scene. There was concern about the loss of civil amenity.

**150. PLANNING DECISIONS**

The planning decisions were noted

**151. CONSULTATION ON THE DRAFT JOINT LOCAL TRANSPORT PLAN 4**

Discussion was held regarding a response from the Parish Council to the consultation.

**Resolved:** to respond to the consultation making note that the A367 in Westfield cannot sustain the level of increase in traffic. There is currently concern about air quality, investment in drainage, protection of pedestrians and junction safety.

**152. RECREATION GROUND – NORTON HILL**

**NorWest Bowls**

It was noted that a letter has now been sent to NorWest Bowls regarding the rent increase.

**Junior Multi Play**

**Resolved:** to accept the quote from Greensward of £150 to sand and paint the wooden sections of the Junior Multi Play

**153. RECREATION GROUNDS – WESTHILL**

Bristol Water had put in a request to use some space in the Westhill car park while carrying out some work in the area.

**Resolved:** to decline the request as the work may run into the Fun Day, when the car park is needed and as the club is now very busy and the car park is often full.

**154. GRIT BINS**

A resident of Alder Terrace had requested that a grit bin be placed on the corner of the junction with Wells Road. A request had been sent to BaNES Highways with no response.

**Resolved:** Cllr Jackson to point out the difficulty to BaNES Cabinet Member for Transport and Environment, Cllr Shelford, when he visits next week.

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**155. SPEEDING AT NIGHTINGALE WAY**

A resident of Nightingale Way was concerned about speeding on Nightingale Way.

- Resolved:** (1) to write to BaNES with the resident's complaint, saying that we support her request for traffic calming  
(2) to respond to the resident advising of our actions

**156. LARCH COURT ALLOTMENTS**

A verbal update was given that the land has now been transferred and work can commence to prepare the allotments for residents.

**157. EVENTS**

**Fun Day** - an update was given on the licence application – a meeting to be held with licencing officer to clarify what needs to be put in place ready for the hearing.

**158. HANGING BASKETS BY SHOPS AT ELM TREE AVENUE**

It was advised that the hanging basket trees have been ordered and Oakus is ready to start the work on installation when they arrive.

**159. WORK OF ART FROM THE COLLEGE TO COMMEMORATE THE FALLEN**

There were no further updates available.

**160. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA**

- An update on meeting with Cllr Shelford, Cabinet Member for Transport and Environment, regarding parking in Westfield (Cllr Jackson)

**The meeting closed at 8:03pm**

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