

Batheaston Parish Council

Minutes of the Planning & Environment Committee Meeting held in The Rhymes Pavilion on Tuesday 7th October 2014 at 7-15 pm

Present:- Cllrs L Brass (Chair), P Burcombe, K Hawkins, V Trenchard & M Townley (Clerk)
Apologies:- Cllrs P Blanking, P Fear, V Pecchia, G Riley, D Robins,
In Attendance: Mrs M Hunt (ex-Parish Councillor)

P-805 Public Participation – Mrs Hunt

Her Family has worked the surrounding area as farmers for generations. All the land was rented. In the 1950s a plot of this rented land was purchased and the present bungalow erected. The deeds did not carry a change-of-use codicil. The Family continued to farm the surrounding rented land until it was sold off to a neighbour 18 years ago. There has been no “farming” on this land since that sale. The bungalow is not a “tied” cottage in accepted agricultural terms.

P-806 Declarations of Interest

None declared.

P-807 Minutes of the Meetings held 2nd September 2014

Proposed V Trenchard } RESOLVED - That the minutes were a true record.
 Seconded P Burcombe }

P-808 Matters arising from the above Minutes

- (a) Hanging baskets now removed at the end of the season.
- (b) Ms Jane Scott – Leader of Wiltshire Council – was asked why this Parish had not been consulted about proposed developments at Colerne. Ms Scott had promised last year that all such developments would be advised.
 No responses from Ms Scott and a follow-up request will be sent. **MT**

P-809 Parish Views on Received Applications

14/03851/CLEU Mrs M Hunt “The Tynings” Fosse Lane Batheaston BA1 7JT	Use of dwelling in breach of condition 1 of Application 20253 dated 28 th November 1953	Support 1. The property was built in the 1950s and a change-of-use not advised; 2. The entire area has not been farmed for 18 years; 3. There is no prospect of the surrounding land having a viable opportunity for farm labour; 4. This application is required to overcome the failings of the property’s purchase (!).
14/04152/LBA Mr G Paddock 1 Coronation Cottages Batheaston BA1 7DZ	Internal and external works, including repairs to front elevation, and repairs / alterations necessary to facilitate a kitchen extension with a new roof.	Support 1. Satisfies the previous policies D2 and D4; 2. An improvement to this property, which is shielded from public view.
14/04095/FUL Mrs B Burnstone 11 Victoria Gardens Batheaston BA1 7RD	Erection of 1-storey side and rear extensions.	Support 1. Satisfies the previous policies D2 and D4;

P-810 B&NES Planning Decisions

14/02337/FUL Crossman homes 5 Avondale Place Batheaston	Erect 2 x 2-bedroom cottages following demolition of existing stone/tiles stables/stores	Permit 5 September 2014 <i>(As per PEC’s recommendation)</i>
14/03209/FUL 14/03210/LBA Mr & Mrs d Walpole Charmydown House Swainswick	External alterations for enclosure of colonnaded porch	Permit 8 September 2014 <i>(As per PEC’s recommendation)</i>
14/03393/FUL Mrs C Crozier-Cole 7 Eagle road Batheaston BA1 7HL	Erection of raised decking area to rear, replacement of existing flat roof over l-storey extension to rear with as pitched roof, incorporating roof lights.	Permit 16 September 2014 <i>(As per PEC’s recommendation)</i>
14/03074/LBA Sunnymead House Steway Lane Batheaston	External alterations for the replacement of PVC windows with wooden windows.	Permit 18 September 2014 <i>(As per PEC’s recommendation)</i>
14/01887/FUL 14/01888/LBA Mr J Webb 290 High Street Batheaston BA1 7RA	Internal and external alterations to facilitate the restoration of the basement to use as kitchen.	Permit 6 October 2014 <i>(As per PEC’s recommendation)</i>

P-811 Any Other Business

- (a) Too many weeds in evidence. Action requested from B&NES for weeds-in-gutters and own Handymen progressing weeds-in-pavements.
- (b) Hedges overgrowth is a problem in many locations – especially when wet and with thorns. BREDAC request released asking owners to care for passing pedestrians. Specific owners of “problem” hedges will be contacted if advised to the Clerk.
- (c) There are too many emails debating items instead of properly developing at Meetings.
- (d) The Village Green lay-by needs attention to replace the wood “walling”.

P-812 Press Release

Nothing at this time

P-813 Date of next Meeting

Tuesday 4th November 2014 in The Rhymes Pavilion – at 7.15 pm (to be confirmed)

Chairman..... Date.....