

Minutes of a meeting of Bucklebury Parish Council Planning Committee
held at the Victory Room, Bucklebury on
Monday 28th March 2022 at 7.45pm.

1 Present:

Cllr. J. Brims (Chairman); Cllr. D. Southgate; Cllr. L. Clarke; Cllr. J. Allum; Cllr. P. Teal; Cllr. A. Hillerton, Cllr. H. Cairns; Mrs. H. Pratt (Clerk).
Three members of the public.

1.1 Apologies.

Apologies of absence were received and accepted from Cllr. Ranken, Cllr. Spours, Cllr. Dickens and Cllr. Unamba-Oparah.

2 Declarations of Interest.

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Approval of minutes of Planning Committee meetings.

The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 28th February 2022 were agreed as a true record of the meeting and were signed by Cllr. Brims.

4. Planning applications received from WBC:

4.1. 22/00684/HOUSE – Eliezer Cottage, Zin Zan.

Proposed side porch extension with extended en-suite and dormer over.

It was unanimously agreed that BPC has **no objection** to this application.

4.2. 22/00626/FUL – Marlston Farmhouse Barn.

Erection of private equestrian stabling for 4 horses with associated storage and fenced enclosure.

This application is for new stabling and storage within the AONB. It was noted that the plans are not consistent and that the proposed block plan shows a corridor between the stables from the garden of Marlston Farmhouse. This is not shown on the drawings of the stable block. The parcel of land for the proposed stables and yard is believed to be agricultural, for this application the land should have equestrian use. The yard area was originally allotments and orchard for the cottages on the other side of the road. The yard surface is not defined on the application, but it is understood that it will be a permeable stone surface.

The meeting was **closed** for the applicant to speak.

This application is for a smaller building than proposed in the previous application for an American Barn on an adjacent site, last year, which was refused planning permission. It was confirmed that the yard will have a gravel surface with a concrete apron outside of the stables. The meeting was **reopened**.

It was proposed that BPC **object** to this application on the grounds that it is contrary to planning policy ADDP1 and ADPP5.

4.3. 22/00633/HOUSE – Barfield, Chapel Row.

Section 73: Variation of condition 2 (Approved Plans) of previously approved application 21/01045/HOUSE: Consisting of internal alterations to existing house layout to include minor alterations to doors and window positions. In addition, conversion of existing garage and part car port to games room with shower room. Extension to the existing car port to provide additional car port and log store. Replacement garden machinery store.

This application is for changes to the replacement garden machinery store, making it longer and changing the roof from tiled dual pitched to a flat felt roof. Whilst BPC prefer the approved application, it was agreed that BPC has **no objection** to this application.

5. Review of applications within 200m of the parish boundary.

There are no new applications are within 200m of the parish boundary.

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6. **Update from the NE Thatcham Working Group.**

It is understood that Icen Projects Ltd have completed some background work on the strategic plan involving the collection and analysis of data. They are planning a consultation with the community in April, with a report expected in the summer which suggests that a council meeting and the Regulation 19 process is more likely in the autumn.

Cllr. Allum publicised the nature survey of the common and land surrounding the development site and encouraged residents to get involved and report their sightings. This will be advertised at Common Clearing.

7. **Round Table Comments.**

8.1. **Common Clearing – Saturday 2nd April.**

The Clerk advised that WBC are providing warning signage for the Ridge and Broad Lane to Chapel Row. One skip will be placed at the Memorial Hall.

It appears that over the last few days the contents of a number of wheelie bins have been strewn along the common road and down Harts Hill. This has largely been cleared up today by WBC.

8.2. **Coffee Morning – Thursday 31st March.**

Cllr. Hillerton and Cllr. Cairns will both attend the monthly coffee morning in the Memorial Hall.

8.3. **Motorised Vehicle Damage to the Common.**

There was a discussion about how to record reports of the damage being done to the Common, such that it could be used as evidence to support a ban of all motorised vehicles. Essentially, time, date and location (based on What3Words) were suggested. Those participating in Common Clearing will be encouraged to report incidents to the Clerk.

8.4. **Vandalism.**

Over the past week, the youth shelter at the BMX track has had graffiti painted on it. The full grit bin at the Briff Lane/Turners Green junction was tipped over.

8.5. **Parking at Mount Pleasant.**

The PCSO has visited the garages again about parking. It is suggested that photographic evidence of occurrences of problematic parking is recorded and reported to the police.

The meeting closed at 8.40pm.

Common Clearing:	Saturday 2 nd April 2022 – 2pm (Memorial Hall).
Next BPC Meeting:	Monday 11 th April 2022 – 7.45pm (Victory Room).
Next Planning Committee Meeting:	Monday 25 th April 2022 – 7.45pm (Victory Room).
Annual Parish Assembly:	Thursday 5 th May 2022 – 7.45pm (Victory Room).

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