

BURLEY PARISH COUNCIL

The monthly meeting of Burley Parish Council (B.P.C.) was held on Wednesday 14th March 2018 at 6.30pm in Myrtle Hall.

PRESENT Cllr Daubeney (Chairman), Cllr Clarke, Cllr Martin, Cllr Johnstone, Cllr Steele (NFDC), 15 members of the public and the Clerk.

PLANNING No Planning Decisions since BPC Meeting on 14th February 2018

Applications considered at BPC Meeting on 14th March 2018: -

Application No. & Date	Name of Applicant	Address	Proposal	Deadline for BPC Response	BPC Recommendation
18/00042 07.02.18	Dawson Engineering	Dawsons Garage, Pound Lane	Single storey extension to workshop	14.03.18	R5 – NPO to decide
18/00083 08.02.18	Mr & Mrs Salmon	Little Pond Cottage, Bisterne Close	Application for Certificate of Lawful Development for continued use of detached garage as ancillary accommodation	15.03.18	R5 – NPO to decide
18/00125 13.02.18	Mr & Mrs Kitcher	Nelrose, Pound Lane	Two storey rear extension; flue; 4 no. Velux roof lights; render	20.03.18	R5 – NPO to decide
18/0014883 26.02.18	Mr D Hughes	Vereley House, Vereley	Replacement barn with 1 st floor; resurfacing of hardstanding; new access track; replacement fencing & gate	03.04.18	R2 - Refusal
18/00083 08.02.18	Mr B Francis	Wayside Cottage, 27 Garden Road	Change of use to residential (Use Class 3)	03.04.18	R5 – NPO to decide
18/00066 26.01.18	Mr & Mrs Deacon	Hawthorns, Pound Lane	Re-roof existing conservatory; alterations to existing front porch; alterations to fenestration; flue	03.04.18	R5 – NPO to decide

At the meeting, there was particular interest in the **Dawsons** application with a number of neighbours present to express their strong objections to the proposed rear extension of the workshop area. These concerns reflected the difficulties thought to be emerging through intensification of use with increasing vehicle movements around the property and limited parking provision. There also seemed to be an increasing awareness of the noise & fumes associated with this type of garage use. In their subsequent deliberations, Parish Councillors indicated that they shared these concerns that are clearly connected to the change of ownership of this long established village enterprise. On the other hand, the new proprietors are apparently demonstrating real interest and care about their new position in the village. Moreover, BPC has a long running policy of supporting & encouraging local businesses because they are seen to play a very important role in providing local services and employment that contribute strongly to the vitality and independence of our community. Consequently, growth has to be expected to take place in successful businesses – within reason.

BPC earlier discussions with the NFNPA's Planning Officer have confirmed that he is taking a careful view of this case with the relevant planning policies to be balanced against residents' concerns. Ultimately, it was decided that the response should be R5 which is the code for "*We are happy to accept the decision reached by the National Park Authority's Officers under their delegated powers.*" [N.B We have customarily used the shorthand of 'No objections' for this numbered response but it was

simultaneously agreed that needs to be updated to reflect the latest wording of the form we have to complete & return to the Authority – hence the notes above under ‘BPC Recommendation’ stand for: ‘Response No. 5 – National Park Officers’ to decide’]. However, it doesn’t end there since we can still add the particular Reasons for our responses together with Comments/Suggested Conditions – and we frequently do. In this case we are adding the strong recommendation that if Permission has, in fact, to be granted that there should be appended the reminder (if an actual condition is not feasible) that action can be taken should the garage operations not be run with due concern for the quiet enjoyment, welfare and convenience of the neighbouring occupants in this predominantly residential location. That is, of course, a legal consideration and not necessarily a planning one in the case of an ongoing business, but an effective one nonetheless.

WW1 COMMEMORATION Members of the public and Councillors have formed a small committee to discuss the commemoration of WW1 later this year; several ideas were discussed at the meeting including a Royal Albert Hall style concert. If you would like to join the committee please contact the Clerk in the first instance.

ROADS AND TRAFFIC This month: the pothole repair process is ongoing; the cattle grid at Warnes Lane was surveyed by Hampshire Highways (HH) there are no plans to take any further action; the noticeboard at Moorhill has brown board attachments which are obscuring the view to the road - Cllr Martin will speak to the proprietors; a drainage issue in Forest Road has been reported to HH and repair will be undertaken in the summer when the ground is dry; the verges in Pound Lane are worn and further dragons teeth may be needed - Cllr Martin is communicating with the Forestry Commission; a request has been made for 30mph signage on the road in Pound Lane to be re-painted. The Forestry Commission are currently renewing a culvert in Castle Hill Lane at short notice.

LENGTHSMAN Last month the Lengthsman fitted the new bench seat in Pound Lane; BPC would like to thank Cllr Mans for funding the project. The Lengthsman project has come in on budget this year with £43.66 remaining.

EMERGENCY PLAN The recent snow put the village emergency plan to its first test since its update in recent years. All seemed to work well, however, if you are aware of a change of contact details, whether you are a volunteer or in need of help during an emergency, please let either the Clerk or Tony Bracey the Emergency Plan co-ordinator know your new details: tel: 07503 203399. Thank you.

WELCOME PACKS Updated Village Welcome Packs are now available for distribution. If you are aware of any newcomers to the village please contact any BPC Councillor or the Clerk who will be able to supply them with a Welcome Pack free of charge.

ANNUAL ASSEMBLY The Village Hall is booked for the 2018 Annual Assembly hosted by BPC on **Monday 30th April at 7.30pm**. hosted by BPC on Monday 30th April at 7.30pm. There will be the usual range of speakers and plenty of scope for discussion on the agenda items. However, if you would like to indicate to councillors beforehand any particular questions you have in mind then that would help to keep the meeting focused on matters that are currently of most concern to villagers. We look forward to seeing you there.

SPRING LITTER PICK BPC will hold its usual Spring Litter Pick on Sunday 22nd April 2018, starting at 2.30pm outside Burley Primary School, will be provided. All welcome, with appropriate equipment & guidance provided, as required. Do please come and join us!

NEXT MEETING : Wednesday 11th April 2018 at 6.30pm in Myrtle Hall.