

**MINUTES of a Meeting of Tatsfield Parish Council held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2018 in the Meeting Room, Aileen McHugo Building, Westmore Green, Tatsfield commencing at 8.00 p.m.**

**Present:** Mrs Nichola Stokoe (in the chair)  
Mrs Helena Garcia-MacLeod Mrs Althea Davies Mr Ian Mitchell Mr Mike Sarll

**In Attendance:** Samantha Head (Clerk)

And 2 parishioners.

The meeting commenced at 8.22pm

**1. Apologies**

1687/0718 Mrs Kim Jennings had sent her apologies. These were received and accepted by members.

**2. Declarations of Interest\* (relating to items on the agenda)**

None

**3. Approve and sign the MINUTES of the previous extraordinary meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> July 2018**

1688/0718 It was resolved that the minutes reflected a true and accurate record of the meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> July 2018.

**4. Public Participation – a period of up to, but no longer than 15 minutes, to hear questions or statements from members of the public. Individuals are allowed to speak for a maximum of 3 minutes. No further participation by members of the public is permitted at any other time during the meeting.**

- Beech Avenue – a tree has come down across the path. This is a public bridleway so probably a matter for SCC.

**5. Planning**

- a) **To determine the Parish Council's position on Appendix A(2):  
TA/2018/1289 Tatsfield Lodge, Ricketts Hill Road, Tatsfield TN16 2NA**  
Installation of a domestic waste treatment plant to north west of dwelling.

It was noted that this was for the waste from the static mobile home.

1689/0718 Comment: No comment.

- TA/2018/330 17 Lusted Hall Lane, Tatsfield TN16 2AE**  
Formation of vehicular crossover.

1690/0718 Comment: No comment.

- TA/2018/1356 Libra, Ricketts Hill Road, Tatsfield TN16 2NB**  
Erection of pitched roof over existing dormer windows to front and rear slopes.

This is currently a flat roof on the plans and the applicants now wish to install a pitched roof. The changes do not give an increase in square footage, only more ceiling height. It will make no discernible difference to the building.

1691/0718 Comment: No comment.

1692/0718 The Clerk was requested to inform Tandridge Planning of the Parish Council's decisions.

**b) London Borough of Bromley – Draft Local Plan Main Modifications Consultation**

There is only one mention of Biggin Hill in the draft document.  
1693/0718 It was resolved that the Parish Council would not be making any comment on this consultation.

**c) Tandridge District Council - Draft Local Plan**

Comments can be made up to 10<sup>th</sup> September 2018. Over the past two weeks, members of the district council have been able to comment.

Ian Mitchell had circulated the following to all members:

Tatsfield Parish Council suggests that the following – **largely factual** - points are taken into account in the draft Local Plan:

There were multiple (57) instances of '*polices*' instead of '*policies*' in the version on the TDC website on 20<sup>th</sup> July.

**If this has not already done, we suggest that the correction should be made.**

**Paragraph 7.4** states: '*There are no high-order hospitals (i.e. that include Accident and Emergency departments) located within the District and residents need to travel to neighbouring facilities at East Surrey Hospital, Crawley, Sevenoaks and Epsom to receive urgent and/or complex medical care. However, there is a well-used minor injuries unit within the Caterham Dene Community Hospital at Caterham*'.

This paragraph ignores facilities at the Princess Royal University Hospital at Farnborough (Bromley), which serves Tatsfield, most of whose residents are registered with doctors in Biggin Hill. More than 1,200 Tatsfield residents out of a population of just over 1,800 are registered with Biggin Hill practices.

**We suggest reference should be made to the Princess Royal University Hospital at Farnborough (Bromley).**

**Section 8.1 Retail and Leisure** states: '*Surrounding town centres such as Croydon, Crawley and Redhill, offer much competition and offer a wider retail choice and different leisure experiences including a multiplex cinema and bowling alleys. Our town and local centres also face threats from online shopping and future behaviour changes which are likely to impact their vitality and viability*'.

This paragraph omits Bromley town centre's convenience for Tatsfield as a destination for shopping and some leisure activities, such as the Churchill Theatre.

**We suggest reference should be made to Bromley.**

**Paragraph 23.12 under 'Employment Hierarchy' and the 'Local Plan Fact Sheet' (site SES04)** refer to the Moorhouse tile works as '*Westerham Road Industrial Estate, Limpsfield*'.

The site is in the parish of Tatsfield.

**We suggest that corrections should be made at both points.**

Nichola Stokoe noted that Tatsfield residents who are registered at a Westerham GP practice would be sent to Pembury Hospital for treatment. It was agreed that this should be added to the PC response.

District Cllr Martin Allen had, earlier that afternoon, circulated an email regarding the officer comments to representations made by district councillors in response to the draft local plan. This was received late in the day and the Parish Council therefore needs more time to consider the policies and any comments its

wishes to make in regard to the proposed policies. In particular, in response to Cllr Allen's mention that "it has repeatedly been asked of the Officers to allow for the possibility that the Green Belt / Defined Village Boundary be moved to allow for commensurate number of houses, and not specifically, affordable houses as allowed by the Very Special Circumstances and exceptional circumstances clauses.", the officer comment that "the rural exception policy would continue to serve Tatsfield in accordance with TLP13. As a tier 3 rural settlement, infilling would also be acceptable. Subject to the wording of the proposed NPPF2, it may be possible for neighbourhood plans to deal with Green Belt boundaries to facilitate development even if not in conformity to the strategic policy. That said, this is not currently policy and as it stands, NPs cannot alter GB boundaries and to stipulate this would be contrary to policy. However, we have inserted an additional line in TLP03: Green Belt which futureproofs/states: Neighbourhood Plans will be prepared in recognition of the Green Belt policies of the NPPF." This could be interpreted that TDC planning will put in the Local Plan an acceptance / expectation that if Tatsfield get into the position of having an adopted NP and it conforms to national planning, then the GB boundary could be changed.

1694/0718 It was resolved to invite all members to attend informal meetings during the summer break (dates tbc) to analyse the draft LP with a view to formulating PC comments ahead of the deadline on 10<sup>th</sup> September.

1695/0718 The Clerk was requested to send in via email the PC comments as above with the inclusion of the Westerham GP and Pembury Hospital comments.

## **6. Notified Items**

### **a) Little Acorns – update (Under Part 2)**

This item will be discussed under Part 2.

## **7. Any other Business which the Chairman is of the opinion should be considered as a matter of urgency**

- Formal confirmation of new tenants for the shop. The refurbishment works should be completed by September and the new tenants are hoping to have the shop open in November.
- Parking – Double Yellow Lines – questions raised over whether the introduction of double yellow lines in the village centre would affect the shop. A meeting to be arranged with David Curl from SCC.
- Salt bin in car park. Overnight parking and residents of Bassetts using the salt grit bin to climb the fence.

## **8. Matters for Reporting or Inclusion in a Future Agenda**

Public Participation:

- TDC Draft Local Plan – what figure has TDC published regarding housing needs in the district? – Approximately 6,000. 4,000 of which will be in the proposed garden village in south Godstone.

The meeting closed at 8.54 pm