

MINUTES of a Meeting of Tatsfield Parish Council held on the 23rd April 2019 in the Meeting Room, Aileen McHugo Building, Westmore Green, Tatsfield commencing at 8.00 p.m.

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

In Attendance: Samantha Head (Clerk)
Cllr Martin Allen

And 11 parishioners.

The meeting commenced at 8.06pm

1. Apologies

None

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

None

3. Approve and sign the MINUTES of the previous meeting held on 8th April 2019

1898/0419 It was resolved that the minutes reflected a true and accurate record of the meeting held on 8th April 2019. They were duly signed by the Chair.

4. Public Participation – there will be a period of 5 minutes at the beginning of the meeting, to hear questions or statements from members of the public. The public are requested to keep their question(s) brief. There will also be an opportunity for the public to ask questions at the end of the meeting. This will be a period of 5 minutes. In addition, it will be at the Chairman's discretion to invite comment from any member of the public at any point during the meeting, should the Chairman feel it helpful to the item under discussion.

None

5. Planning

- a) **To determine the Parish Council's position on Appendix A(2):
TA/2019/593 81 Paynesfield Road, Tatsfield TN16 2BQ**
Erection of 3m high wire mesh fence.

Ian Mitchell gave a brief overview of the application:

This property was purchased in October 2018 by the London Borough of Croydon (LBC).

The application is for a 3-metre high fence to be erected 3-metres from the property boundary.

The proposed use of the dwelling will be for a family with children with severe autism. The children are young teenagers and the purpose of the fencing, in particular the height of 3m, is to allow the children to play within a safe contained area of the garden without fear of them absconding and causing harm to themselves.

The application stated that the plan is for the TDC planning officer to set up a 'mock fence' to see what it actually looks like and assess its impact. The colour and style are tbc.

It appears that the fence would not be visible from the public highway.

8.11pm Meeting suspended for public participation.

The following comments were made in relation to agenda item 5a – TA/2019/593:

- A parishioner provided photographs of the 'pegged out' fence from her property next door to the site. The owners of 83 Paynesfield noted that there were restrictions placed on the height of fence they were allowed to erect on their property. They were concerned that by allowing this request, it would set a precedent. It was also confirmed that the 'pegged out' fence could be seen from a neighbour's property across the road.

- It was questioned whether it was an inappropriate use of the property by LBC in this area.

8.20pm Meeting resumed.

Nichola Stokoe suggested trying to arrange a meeting between the PC and representatives from LBC to better understand the reasons behind this application.

Ian Mitchell suggested that the PC asks to meet the TDC planning officer. He further suggested that if the PC was to object to the application, then it could be done on the basis that the vegetation would not be high enough to 'screen' the fence for quite some time, contrary to the claims made by the architect in the planning statement. There is now new evidence in the form of photographs provided by a neighbour.

1899/0419 Comment: Objection. The Parish Council objects to this application on the grounds of the obtrusiveness of the proposed fence and the lack of evidence that its impact would be mitigated by vegetation, thereby restricting views from neighbouring properties.

1900/0419 The clerk was also requested to arrange a meeting between PC representatives and the TDC planning officer, to include the applicant and the District Councillor.

TA/2019/5 Rylands, 75 Paynesfield Road, Tatsfield TN16 2NB

Continued use as a residential property. (Certificate of Lawfulness for an existing use or development).

Ian Mitchell noted that this was a potentially complicated application.

Permission was given 3 years ago to place further accommodation in the attic of the bungalow. The condition being that the work was done within 3 years. The owner is asking for a certificate of development as work has started but not been completed.

1901/0419 Comment: No comment

TA/2019/678 Hawthornedene, Ricketts Hill Road, Tatsfield TN16 2NB

Variation of condition 2 of planning application TA/2017/260 dated 10/05/2017 to allow for a reduction of footprint to the basement, enlargement of the single storey rear element and fenestration and a proposed detached garage to the rear. (Demolition of existing 3-bedroom dwelling and the construction of a new 4-bedroom dwelling with basement).

1902/0419 Comment: No comment

1903/0419 The Clerk was requested to inform Tandridge Planning of the Parish Council's decisions.

6. Finance

a) Authorise payments (including authorisation of internet banking) detailed in Appendix B

1904/0419 Items on Appendix B were duly approved. Payments and supporting invoices were checked and signed by members of the Finance Team for April.

b) Authorise payments (including authorisation of internet banking) detailed in Appendix B.1

1905/0419 Items on Appendix B.1 were duly approved. The cheques and supporting invoices were checked and signed by Althea Davies and Mike Sarll.

c) Items requiring expenditure:

- Pearl Scan – scanning of further files from the Parish Office – estimated costs £367.50 + vat (to include shredding of papers upon approval of digital data)

- Payment for cleaning (April) of AMB - £100.00

- Payment for Caretaker costs (estimated for April - £120.00)

1906/0419 It was resolved to approve the above payments / costs.

d) Not So Young Club – funds request

No action required.

7. Notified Items

None

8. Parish Council Land / Property

To receive updates, discuss matters and, where relevant, agree on proposals relating to:

a) Village Hall

- Kitchen – The PC had received a request from the VHMC to pay for the kitchen works and the VHMC would then make a donation towards the costs.

1907/0419 It was resolved that this would not be possible and this request was declined.

- New Porch – Staining – John White had only just returned from holiday. He would be asked to address the staining issue at the next VHMC.
- Fence – Bassetts / VH – The Clerk confirmed that she had delivered the letter as agreed at the last meeting. The director of the residents' company had confirmed that this issue had been discussed at their meeting in March and a contractor had been engaged to repair the fence. No date had been provided but the director had offered to chase this up.

b) Tatsfield Green

- Boundary dispute (Under Part 2)
The Chairman confirmed that no update had been received in time for this meeting and therefore this item would have to be deferred to a future meeting.

9. Matters for Reporting or Inclusion in a Future Agenda

Fly tipping along Ricketts Hill Road

Public participation:

- Martin Allen thanked the outgoing Parish Council on behalf of the whole parish.

The meeting closed at 8.39 pm