

**OWSLEBURY PARISH COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON  
25<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2014  
COMMENCING AT 6PM IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM of OWSLEBURY PARISH HALL**

**PRESENT**

Parish Councillor John Chapman (in the Chair)  
Parish Councillors: Mark Egerton, Roger Page, Paul Phillips, Sally Tattersall, Gerry Tull.

**IN ATTENDANCE**

Clerk: Michael Cleary  
District Councillor Laurence Ruffell (left the meeting at 7pm)  
Paul Bowes (Chair, Commemoration Advisory Group)  
2 members of the public (left at 7pm)

**APOLOGIES**

Councillor Will Martin

**64/14 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS FOR AGENDA ITEMS**

Councillor Egerton had already advised the Commemoration Advisory Committee of his pecuniary interest in a company advising the Committee on the costs of a stone or boulder based commemoration.

**65/14 PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS**

**a) Planning Applications – statement of intent from owner or agent and public comment.**

The agent and his ecologist colleague acting for the owners of Hydes Barn commented on the planning application, and responded to questions from councillors. The following points were of particular note:

- i. the applicant had taken account of concerns expressed during previous applications. The proposed development was smaller in scale with no windows in the upper part of the barn (so less light pollution) and with a smaller garden;
- ii. the agent acknowledged that due to administrative matters they had not sought the Council's views before the Application was submitted. He apologised for this oversight. He also confirmed that as a multi-disciplinary practice, the ecologist was employed by the same organisation as his, although subject to the ecologist's own professional requirements;
- iii. the agent responded to councillors question on the state of the barn and the conversion method. He noted that whilst much of the barn was in an advanced state of decay, the core structure, including 18<sup>th</sup> century posts, would be saved and incorporated into the conversion;
- iv. the ecologist responded to questions raised by councillors in connection with the protection of wildlife. The ecologist noted the legal obligations in relation to the protection of endangered species, and took the Council through the measures that would be taken to protect wildlife during and after the conversion.

**b) Other agenda items –public comment.**

Paul Bowes, as Chair of the Commemoration Advisory Committee, updated the Council on the recent discussions of the Group. In particular he noted the Committee recommended, partly on cost grounds, the installation a Remembrance Stone, suitably engraved. He noted that planning permission may be required. The alternative would be the Remembrance Wall, as previously discussed with the Council.

**66/14 PLANNING**

**a) Planning Applications.**

SDNP 14/00354/CND	Matterley Basin, Alresford Road
Proposal:	Variations to conditions 1 and 3 of permitted permission – 08/02622/FUL; 4 days use, operating hours from 0800 to 1830, use of track (4 days only) between 1 <sup>st</sup> May and 15 <sup>th</sup> October (from 1 <sup>st</sup> August to 15 <sup>th</sup> October)
Closing date (WCC):	010414
<b>Closing date: OPC</b>	010414

Whilst the Council had no specific objection to the proposal, it **Resolved** unanimously to comment that consideration should be given by the Police and other agencies to the impact of traffic and other such matters on the local community.

SDNP 14/01093/FUL	Hydes Barn Fawley Lane Morestead
Proposal:	Demolition of implement store; change of use of existing barn buildings from agricultural to residential.
Closing date (WCC):	260314
<b>Closing date: OPC</b>	260314

The Council acknowledged the additional protection to the countryside included in the latest Application for Hydes Barn, and **Resolved** unanimously to support the proposed development, subject to the following conditions being imposed, some of which might be included in a Section 106 Agreement:

- in order to conserve and enhance the natural beauty, wildlife and cultural heritage of the area, the fields and scrub lands adjoining the property should be protected by SDNP, ideally by designating the area as a ‘Special Area of Conservation’ or, at least, through strict planning controls;
- the curtilage of the property (as set out in the Site Location Plan) should be clearly defined by hedges appropriate for the countryside, or by trees. Such hedges and trees that form part of this area should be protected. In addition, the conversion of the scrub land to a garden should be undertaken in a phased manner so as to protect wildlife;
- in order to protect, enhance and restore biodiversity, appropriate safeguards should be implemented to minimise disruption to wildlife during the construction phase, and such safeguards should be closely monitored. These should include the timing of construction work and the access route for construction traffic.

**67/14 WORLD WAR 1 AND D-DAY COMMEMORATIONS**

Councillor Egerton, after having first declared his interest, took the meeting through the cost of a Stone or Boulder suitably engraved. Councillors preferred a Remembrance Stone to a Wall and noted that the cost estimate was significantly less than the Wall previously considered by the Council. Councillor Egerton then withdrew from the meeting.

After further consideration the Council **Resolved** unanimously:

- to waive Standing Orders, and given the specialist nature of the Remembrance Stone to obtain a quotation from just one other supplier;
- to ask Paul Bowes and the Commemoration Advisory Committee to determine the final wording for the Plaques bearing in mind the costs involved;
- to authorise the Clerk to obtain final costings for the Stone and Plaques;
- to authorise the Clerk to seek planning permission for the Stone or the Wall, if required, and to incur the related planning application fees.

Councillor Egerton returned to the meeting.

Councillor Phillips updated the Council on concerns expressed as to the proposed dates for the Exhibition - one of which would be at the same time as the Church Fete. Whilst the Council understood the concerns, it remained of the view that there would be little practical impact on the Fete. Accordingly, the dates for the Exhibition should remain the same.

**68/14 DATE OF NEXT TMEETING**

The next meeting of the Council will be on 14<sup>th</sup> April 2014 at the Parish Hall commencing at 7.45pm.

The meeting closed shortly after 7.15pm

Chairman...John Chapman..... ..

Date: 14<sup>th</sup> April 2014