

The Holton Parish Council virtual meeting (via Zoom) was held on Monday 12th April 2021 starting at 7.30 pm

Present:

Chairman Robert Barter
Vice Chairman Allan East
Councillor Andy Murray
Councillor Brian Pridmore
Parish Clerk Sonja Barter

Also present: Helen Hargreaves and Jake Woodward

1. Apologies: Roger Farrow

1a. Declarations of interest: None

2. To confirm the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on Monday 8th March 2021 which had been circulated to all councillors before the meeting.

Proposed by Allan East

Seconded by Andy Murray

All agreed

OPEN FORUM

Two members of the public attended the Zoom meeting and they were concerned with two planning applications. It was agreed to bring forward the planning discussions and deal with them after Open Forum.

9. Planning Applications:

P21/S0560/FUL. Land between Swallow Barn and 2 Church End Cottages, Waterperry Road, Holton. OX33 1PW. Amendment 1. Erection of stable building and retention of associated access track and gate.

1. It is not clear whether it is proposed to change the use of the land from agricultural to equestrian.
2. The enforcement officer raised the issue of the access track which had been installed without planning permission. This has not been specifically addressed in this application nor has the fact that under application number P19/S2117/FUL permission was granted for a pedestrian gate 1.8 metres wide. A gate to allow vehicular access has been installed.
3. The application has not addressed the issue of storage or disposal of muck generated by stabled horses nor the satisfactory treatment of rainwater from the roof of the proposed structure.
4. The proposed structure is unnecessarily close to the fence with the adjoining property.

Holton Parish Council objects to the Amendment for the above reasons.



P21/S0910/HH. 6 Barns Close, Holton. OX33 1QB
Single storey conservatory to the rear of the property.
No objection.

P21/S1325/N48. Land adjacent to Wheatley Park School, Holton. OX33 1PZ
Change of use of agricultural building to dwelling houses (Class C3) and for building operations reasonably necessary for the conversion.
The agricultural building houses machinery relating to the agricultural use of the land along with storage of a non-agricultural nature. The removal of this structure would necessitate the erection of replacement buildings in which to house these contents and therefore it is not reasonable to suggest that the building is no longer required for agricultural purposes.
The existing agricultural building as it is, would not in structural terms, be capable of functioning as a dwelling.
The application seeks permission for building operations reasonably necessary for the conversion. What is considered reasonable in this case?

P21/S1186/FUL. Dutch Barn Farm, Waterperry Road, Holton. OX33 1PW
New secure storage building.
No objections.

P21/S1151/FUL. Holton Park Barn, Holton.
Variation of condition 2 on application P20/S3812/N4B
No objections.

Consultation by EE Ltd and Hutchison 3G Ltd. Proposed shared mobile telecommunications radio equipment at land north of Old London Road, Waterperry Road (opp. College Close Junction. Replacing site 93414 Wheatley Campus.

3. Matters Arising from the Minutes:

Website Further work is needed on the content and photos on the history page.

Bus Shelter Planting of climbers to grow up the side trellis has been carried out by the Murray and East family.

Brookes Liaison Group: The Chairman reported to the Liaison Group committee. Mark Tugwell (Oxford Brookes) – CBRE appointed to handle the sale of the site. It is anticipated that it will be going on the market in May. Issues to be resolved include the legal position relating to the western access.

Litter Blitz held on Saturday 20th March 2021 10-12
Good turnout of villagers.



Scarecrows past sell by date

Andy Murray and Allan East have dealt with this. It was agreed that the Road Safety Committee would make it clear when holding another village speed awareness week that the scarecrows should only stay in place for a few weeks in order to gain maximum impact

4. Traffic, Road and Highway Matters

Terence House building work, mud on the road and parking of vehicles. Tracy Morton Highways has received assurances from the builder that all will be reinstated at the end of build.

Leaking manhole cover just past the bridge on the Waterperry Road r/h side heading towards the Fire Station. Appears that work has been carried out and the leak has stopped

Potholes reported: 2 at Waterperry Road and Holton Road junction and 1 outside Carina and 1 before Home F House lane.

5. Financial Matters**a. Accounts submitted for payment**

Clerk's Salary April	432.00
Clive Laman	210.00
Oxford Green Belt Network sub	15.00
R. Taylor Orchard March	75.60
R. Taylor Churchyard March	90.00
Orchard Mulberry Tree	45.00
Orchard 2 x Picnic Benches	396.00
Orchard wildflower plug plants	26.50

Received

VAT Reclaim March 2020-February 2021 £1559.09
Precept 2021 £9808.00

b. Bank balances after paying above cheques and money received.

Deposit	£20,182.99
Current	£1,806.57

c. Holton Parish Council Accounts year end 31 March 2021.

It was proposed by Allan East and seconded by Andy Murray that the 2020/2021 Annual Accounts of Holton Parish Council be adopted. All agreed

It was proposed by Allan East and seconded by Andy Murray that the Clerk's Report be accepted and the accounts paid. All Agreed



6. District/County Councillors.

Elections to be held on 6th May 2021. County Councillor and District Councillor unable to attend.

County Councillor Annual Report received from Tim Bearder prior to the meeting.

7. Churchyard

Awaiting PCC to instruct the Church solicitors and landowner to instruct his solicitors.

8. Playground Proposals

It was agreed that the most suitable area for any play equipment would be in the top right hand corner. Parish Councillors to look at other local play installations and produce ideas of what sort of equipment would be suitable and what would fit into the area of ground available.

9. Planning applications – dealt with earlier in the meeting

10. Planning Decisions (South Oxfordshire District Council):

P20/S0529/FUL. Church Farm Bungalow, Holton. OX33 1PR.

Subdivision of existing dwelling into 3 x 2 bedroom dwellings.

Granted

P21/S0161/FUL. Land at corner of Waterperry Road and Holton Road, Holton. OX33 1PW.

The creation of two new gateways on the Holton Road to provide access to the fields.

Granted

11. Reports

Enforcement VE20/176 – Swallow Barn, Waterperry Road, Holton.

Enforcement SE20/188. Holton Field Groundworks

No progress to report.

Orchard – Picnic benches, Mulberry Tree and wildflower plug plants all completed.

12. Publications/Letters and forthcoming events

Wheatley Neighbourhood Plan Annual Report received.

Wheatley Neighbourhood Plan Referendum on Thursday 6th May 2021 – voting to take place at Holton Village Hall Polling Station and Merry Bells Polling Station.

Brookes Residents' Meeting Thursday 22nd April.

Road sign cleaning in Holton. Equipment can be loaned from Highways. Volunteers to be asked to join in a group cleaning blitz. Request for helpers in May magazine.

13. Items for discussion and/or referral to a future meeting:

Annual Parish Meeting - OALC advice is that it is not obligatory to hold the meeting this year. In the light of the restrictions and hall regulations it was decided that the Annual Parish Meeting would not be held this year. All the reports will be published on the website and hard copies provided on request. Note to this effect to be published in the HWW monthly News.

Monthly Parish Council Meetings – Regulations permitting virtual meetings cease after May 6th 2021.

Bearing in mind the health and safety obligations to the members, staff, the public and elected members together with the restrictions in place for the meeting room at the Village Hall, the Parish Council decided to continue with a virtual meeting in May and reconsider the situation for the June meeting. **All agreed**

14. Date of next meeting. The next Parish Council Meeting will be held via **Zoom** on Monday 10th May 2021 starting at 7.30 pm.

There being no further business the virtual meeting closed at 9.30 pm.

 10/05/21