

**FINCHAMPSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE**  
**held at 7.30pm on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2022**  
**The California room, FBC Centre, Gorse Ride North, Finchampstead RG40 4ES**

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**PRESENT** Cllr Cundy, Chair; Cllr Marshallsay, Vice Chair.  
Cllrs Bromley, Cornish, Driver, Pearce and Veitch.  
Planning Committee Clerk, C. Cordell.

**01/2022 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

None received.

**02/2022 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

None declared.

**03/2022 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes of the meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> March were agreed as a true and correct record.  
The minutes will be signed retrospectively as soon as circumstances allow.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

No members of the public attended the meeting.

**04/2022 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

There were no matters arising.

**05/2022 CURRENT PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The Committee considered 31 planning applications as detailed in Appendix A.

The following additional planning information was noted:

193353: Fleet Hill Farm, Fleet Lane

The Committee considered the above application which was for some amendments to the restoration plans for land at Fleet Hill Farm, following gravel extraction. They reviewed the proposed response put forward by the Cemex Working Group and agreed for this to be submitted on behalf of the Parish Council. The Working Group will be reconvening as soon as possible, and plan to meet with Wokingham Borough Council (WBC) to discuss wider concerns with the restoration of land at both Fleet Hill Farm and Manor Farm, and the next steps towards completion of the sites as nature reserves.

**06/2022 DECISIONS ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

11 decisions on planning applications previously considered were reviewed as detailed in Appendix B. Cllr Cundy, Chair observed that all but 4 decisions were in line with the Committees' comments.

**07/2022 APPEALS**

**New Appeals:**

APP/X0360/W/21/3287275: Fairlands, Church Road, Farley Hill (210864)

Proposal: Full application for the laying of hardstanding and use of the land for domestic storage including the parking of vehicles in association with the dwelling house (Use Class C3) known as Fairlands. (Retrospective). Refused by WBC 19.05.21.

The Committee's previous objections on the grounds of inappropriate development in a countryside location and change from equine use to light industrial still stand and will automatically be considered in the Appeal process.

**Appeal Decisions:**

There were no appeal decisions.

**Appeal Inquiries:**

21/00478/OUT APP/R0335/W/21/3287383-Land West Of Wokingham Road and East Of Lwr Church Rd

Cllr Veitch updated the Committee about the appeal hearing which he attended on 29<sup>th</sup> March and spoke at on behalf of The Parish Council to reiterate previous objections. Cllr Veitch was able to compare notes with another speaker who was representing the Party 6 group and who has sent their Closing Statement to Cllr Veitch. The Planning Committee Clerk agreed to circulate this to the rest of the Committee for their information and interest.

### **08/2022 TREE PRESERVATION ORDERS (TPO)**

#### **New TPO's**

(TPO)1829/2021: Trees on Land to the north east of Gorse House, Gorse Ride North.

#### **New applications for works to a tree covered by a TPO**

St James Churchyard, Church Lane (220858) - Notification for works to trees in a conservation area:  
T1, Ash - Fell. T2, Holly - reduce height to 2 metres.

### **09/2022 STREET NAMING AND NUMBERING**

1. The street-naming and numbering has been registered for 6 new dwellings and 1 commercial unit at Xenuk Tandoori, 428 Finchampstead Road as follows:
  - Flats 1-6 consec, 428 Finchampstead Road, Finchampstead, Wokingham, RG40 3RB
  - 428a Finchampstead Road, Finchampstead, Wokingham, RG40 3RB
2. There has been a name change for High Ground, Jubilee Road to Claridge House, Jubilee Road.

### **10/2022 FORUM**

Cllr Cornish advised that WBC has now provided informal feedback on the draft Finchampstead Neighbourhood Development Plan (FNDP) and supporting documents. Further work is required by the FNDP Group, particularly on the Local Green Spaces and Strategic Gaps and Green Wedges Topic Papers, before the Plan can be submitted to WBC for the Regulation 15 official review.

Cllr Cundy, Chair asked members of the Committee if they had anything further to discuss before bringing the meeting to a close.

### **11/2022 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on **Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30pm.**

### **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 & PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960**

It was resolved that as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be discussed, the Press and Public would be excluded from the meeting during agenda item number **12/2022 Enforcement matters.**

*These minutes are subject to confirmation at the next meeting of the Committee.*