

FINCHAMPSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE
held at 7.30pm on Wednesday 11th May 2022
The Library, FBC Centre, Gorse Ride North, Finchampstead RG40 4ES

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

33/2022 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

All Committee Members were present.

34/2022 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

None declared.

35/2022 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 13th April 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.

36/2022 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There were no matters arising.

37/2022 CURRENT PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Committee considered 15 planning applications as detailed in Appendix A.

38/2022 DECISIONS ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS

16 decisions on planning applications previously considered were reviewed as detailed in Appendix B. Cllr Cundy, Chair observed that all but 1 were in line with the Committees' comments.

39/2022 APPEALS

New Appeals:

APP/X0360/W/22/3295631: Land At And To The Rear Of 240 Nine Mile Ride (211889).

An appeal has been made to the Secretary of State against the decision of Wokingham Borough Council (WBC) for failure to give notice of its decision within the appropriate period. The appeal will be determined on the basis of a Public Inquiry at The Council Offices, Shute End commencing at 10am on 2nd August 2022, and is scheduled to run for 8 days.

Cllr Marshallsay volunteered to speak on behalf of the Parish, and Cllr Cornish may also attend. The Committee's previous letter outlining their objections to this proposal will automatically be considered in the Appeal process.

Appeal Decisions:

There were no appeal decisions.

Appeal Inquiries:

There were no appeal inquiries.

40/2022 TREE PRESERVATION ORDERS (TPO)

New TPO's

- TPO-1835-2021: G1 Group of trees on and adjacent to the north boundary of Porth Hellick and Roman Ride: 1 x Beech, 1 x Pine, 1 x Oak.

New applications for works to a tree covered by a TPO

- 228 Nine Mile Ride (220849) - TPO-0479-1989-A1:
T1 and T2 (Scots Pine) Fell to ground due to subsidence. T3 and T5 (Scots Pine)-Crown lift.
- Land south of Little Moor and adjacent to Moor Farm, Park Lane (221101) – TPO 1839/2022, Woodland 1: Fell several trees including 12 alder, 3 willow and 1 oak.
- 28 Carolina Place (221341) - TPO 730/1995, T15 and T16:
T15, Oak - Remove secondary branches to height of 4m above ground level, selective reduction of branch tips and pruning cuts to not exceed 75mm.
T16, Oak - Crown lift to give 5m clearance over public highway and selectively prune to reduce the over-extended sections of the canopy by a maximum of 1.5 metres in branch length. Crown clean removing any dead, diseased or dysfunctional branches back to suitable reduction point.

41/2022 STREET NAMING AND NUMBERING

There were no changes to report. However, Cllr Veitch informed the Committee of a house name change in Lower Sandhurst Road, from Craigfoot to Sandhurst House.

42/2022 FORUM

In light of the current changes to the planning system, Cllr Veitch was keen to ensure the Committee were kept up to date with all relevant information and to make use of any training opportunities that present themselves. Cllr Cundy, Chair, and the Planning Committee Clerk agreed to review this in October and will advise the Committee of any training courses that might be of interest both through the Borough and Hampshire Association of Local Councils (HALC).

It is noted that this was Cllr Driver's last Planning Committee meeting. The Committee thanked Cllr Driver for all her many years of service and valuable contribution.

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

43/2022 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on **Wednesday 15th June 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 **44/2022 Enforcement matters.**

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