

FINCHAMPSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE
held at 5pm on Wednesday 15th June 2022
By Teams Video Conference

PRESENT Cllr Cundy, Chair
Cllrs Bromley, Evans, Pearce and Veitch
Planning Committee Clerk, C. Cordell.

91/2022 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllrs Cornish and Marshallsay.

92/2022 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

None declared.

93/2022 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 11th May were agreed as a true and correct record.
The minutes were signed by Cllr Cundy.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A member of the public from the Crowthorne Village Action Group joined the meeting to observe.

94/2022 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There were no matters arising.

95/2022 CURRENT PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Committee considered 20 planning applications as detailed in Appendix A.

96/2022 DECISIONS ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS

21 decisions on planning applications previously considered were reviewed as detailed in Appendix B. Cllr Cundy, Chair observed that all but 2 were in line with the Committees' comments.

97/2022 APPEALS

New Appeals:

APP/X0360/W/22/3296519: 23A Nine Mile Ride (212274)

An appeal has been made against Wokingham Borough Council's (WBC) decision to refuse planning permission for the proposed change of use of land for 2 Gypsy and Traveller pitches with associated parking. The appeal will be determined on the basis of an Informal hearing on 26th July at The Council Offices, Shute End. The Committee's original comments objecting to this proposal will be forwarded by the Planning Committee Clerk to the Planning Inspectorate to be considered as part of the Appeal process.

Appeal Decisions:

There were no appeal decisions.

98/2022 TREE PRESERVATION ORDERS (TPO)

New TPO's

- TPO-1865-2022: Trees at The Ridings, Heath Ride
5 x Oak and 2 x Sweet Chestnut trees in single demarcations as the land has been subject to change of ownership and it has been reported that the site is likely to be redeveloped.

- TPO-1870-2022: Trees at 252a Nine Mile Ride
4 x Oaks, 3 x Sweet Chestnut and 1 x Lime in single demarcations in response to a change of ownership and the implication that the site could be developed. Given the number of trees and their mature age development of the site could negatively impact their roots/canopy and therefore the amenity they provide.

New applications for works to a tree covered by a TPO

- 35 Pine Drive (221506) - TPO 1185/2007, Group 2:
T1, Scots Pine: Remove 2 lowest branches.
- Longmoor Cottage, Park Lane (221541) – TPO 1744/2020, Woodland 1:
T1, Dead Tree – Fell / T2, Dead Tree – Fell
- 38 Wimbushes (221583) – TPO 0334/1987, AREA 1:
T1, Silver Birch – Fell by sectionally dismantling the tree down to ground level.
- Land on boundary of, 100 and 102A Kiln Ride (221022) – TPO 0378/1988, G1 and G2:
G1, Oak, Birch, Sweet Chestnut – Fell and remove roots.
G2, Birch, Beech – Fell and remove roots.
- 123 Nine Mile Ride (221652) - TPO 864/1997, T2 T1, Scots Pine (T2 on TPO):
Fell to ground level, grinding out stump and surface roots, and replace.

99/2022 STREET NAMING AND NUMBERING

- 2 new properties at Land at 156 Barkham Ride Finchampstead (201837/201596) have been allocated numbers 154 and 156, Barkham Ride, Finchampstead, Wokingham, RG40 4EL
- The road name for this stage of the Nine Mile Ride Extension and Hogwood Spur has been completed, and the street names Remount Drive and Hogwood Lane have been allocated.

100/2022 FORUM

There was some discussion in relation to the monitoring of applications for works to protected (TPO) trees, particularly the more substantial ones which include felling. As such, it was agreed to form a new TPO sub-committee to ensure these types of applications are considered and commented on if necessary. The Planning Committee Clerk agreed to forward all such applications to the TPO sub-committee on receipt of receiving notifications for these types of applications from WBC.

Cllr Cundy advised the Committee that he is unable to chair the next Planning Committee meeting. Alternative arrangements will be made and advised by The Planning Committee Clerk in due course.

101/2022 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on **Thursday 21st July 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 **102/2022 Enforcement matters.**

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