

**Minutes of the Tanworth-in-Arden Parish Council**  
**Meeting held on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> August 2021**

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There were 3 members of the public present together with County Councillor Horner and District Councillor Dixon.

**The Chairman opened the Public Forum** - Councillor Chaudry chaired the meeting in the absence of Councillor Burgess.

Resident, Jenny Buckley, addressed the Councillors thanking them for the speedy purchase of the speed gun; this is already in use thanks to the enthusiasm of the volunteers. Jenny also thanked the Councillors for the first aid kit and high visibility jackets that the volunteers are required to wear. Any residents wishing to volunteer can contact Jenny directly, or the Parish office can pass on details.

County Councillor John Horner addressed the Parish Council:

1. Climate change is high on Government and WCC agenda, but believes that they would require a significant amount of funding should WCC aim to be Zero Net Carbon.
2. It is the Commonwealth Games next year; ticket ballot opens online in September, volunteers are needed in all areas and contracts are available for local businesses.
3. Trading Standards uncovered a large quantity of cigarettes in the sewers around Leamington.
4. Trading standards are also warning residents against using chainsaw angle grinders as these have not passed safety checks.
5. WCC is also supporting an initiative to help older drivers stay safe for as long as possible by continuing its partnership with IAM RoadSmart.
6. There is increased support available for families in need due to Covid19.
7. WCC is aware of the deteriorating road conditions due to the works being done around the Lakes and the diversions currently in place.

District Councillor Dixon addressed the Parish Council:

1. August is generally a very quiet month with only the Planning Committee meeting; an increase in applications going to committee has required an extra meeting to be scheduled in September.
2. Cllr Dixon advised that he has now been added to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee which will give him an insight to the background workings of SDC.
3. Cllr Dixon was elected in May 2019 and is planning to step down at the next elections which are due in May 2023.

Questions were invited:

Cllr Saunders and Cllr Ross addressed District Councillor Dixon about the status of Bell Field, and whether Cllr Dixon had had any success in establishing the potential value of land to any prospective purchasers and what the terms of the contact is that SDC have with Orbit. Cllr Dixon stated that his questions were being passed around with no conclusion.

**The Chairman closed the Public Forum at 19.49 and opened The Full Council Meeting**

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**Present:** Councillor Chaudry (Chair), Councillor Adams, Councillor Brougham, Councillor Doidge, Councillor Ross, Councillor Saunders, Councillor Willmott

In attendance: Julie White (Parish Clerk), Lil Ryder – taking minutes (Deputy Clerk)

**21/22/032 - Apologies for absence** – Councillor Burgess, Councillor Ebbutt and Councillor O’Brien

**21/22/033 – Declarations of Interest** - there were no declarations of interest or requests for dispensation.

**21/22/034 - To confirm and sign the minutes of the Parish Council meeting of 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2021**

Cllr Willmott proposed that the minutes were a true and accurate record that could be signed by the Chairman. Cllr Saunders seconded the proposal. All in favour.

**21/22/035 – Any matters arising from the previous minutes, not otherwise dealt with**

- i) Speed Gun – This was purchased and is in use by the Speed Watch Volunteers.
- ii) Bell Field Asset of Community Value has been resubmitted.

**21/22/036 – Matters raised in the public forum**

None

**21/22/037 To note items of correspondence received:**

The correspondence list was noted. The following items were highlighted:

- 6.13** – Greenshoots Grant for £5000 was successful, which is to help with the regrowth of the wildlife area at the Park.
- 6.61** – Garden Village at Fulford Green. This is something to keep an eye on but SMBC have advised that there is nothing within their local plan to support this.
- 6.74** – A resident asked whether there was scope for the Council Meetings to be hybrid meetings and streamed online. It was suggested the Cllr Ebbutt may be able to offer advice regarding this.

Cllr Ross asked about **6.21** regarding a dangerous lamp post by the Church in Tanworth, which has now been rectified.

**21/22/038 – Finance:**

- i) The payments list had been previously circulated. Cllr Willmott proposed that the payments are accepted en-bloc and Cllr Doidge seconded the proposal. All in favour.
- ii) Donation request from the Lunch Club – Cllr Willmott proposed that the full amount of £500 was donated to support the purchase of a new freezer and replacement food that was spoiled due to Covid19. Cllr Ross seconded this proposal and all Councillors were in favour.
- iii) Cllr Ross asked whether there was a contingency plan for any accidental damage relating to the speed gun. Julie confirmed that the Speed Gun has already been added to the insurance but would need to check about accidental damage.

**21/22/039 – Planning:**

- i) **Neighbourhood Development Plan** – The Parish Council have chosen Mr Andrew Matheson to examine the NDP.
- ii) **To note the decision notices** –

Application	Address	Proposal	Decision	Conditions worthy of note
21/01467/FUL	Broadwood House, Broad Lane	One & Two Storey extensions to replace existing porch and garden room. Proposed render to external walls.	Permission with conditions	
21/01318/FUL	15 Malthouse Lane, Earlswood	Part single/two storey extension to the rear	Permission with conditions	
21/00312/FUL	The Works, Alcester Road	Change of use of land to an equestrian use and erection of an equestrian building	Withdrawn	
21/01343/FUL	Stratford House, Stratford Road	Proposed remodelling of property to include two storey side extension, new roof design, altered front entrance and alterations to existing parking forecourt	Withdrawn	
21/01588/FUL	Tacna, Broad Lane	Demolition of existing dormer bungalow and replacing with a new 5 bedroom dwelling, with detached garage and associated landscape works	Refusal	Green Belt & Streetscene
21/01842/FUL	66 Malthouse Lane, Earlswood	Orangery extension to rear of property	Permission	
21/00853/FUL	12 Malthouse Lane	Single storey rear and side extension with first floor extension	Withdrawn	
21/01780/FUL	Tamarisk, Springbook Lane	Proposed room in the roof extension to side of existing roof to form extended bedroom and bathroom, new dormer to front, extended dormer to rear. New bay window and canopy porch to front, new pitched roof over existing flat roof to rear.	Permission	
21/01185/FUL	4 Umberslade Road	Demolition of two rear single storey buildings and replace with one single storey extension and alterations to front elevation	Permission	
21/01178/FUL	Sunnyside, Alcester Road	Front and rear single storey extensions	Permission	
21/02066/FUL	Land Opposite Birchy Cross Business	Creation of new vehicular access and hard standing to be used in association with occupation of adjacent barn	Withdrawn	

	Centre, Broad Lane			
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iii) To consider planning application -

Application No	Address	Proposal	Comment
21/02386/FUL	147 Malthouse Lane, Earlswood	Single storey rear extension, and increasing the size of the roof area to gain more bedroom space	No Representative
21/02385/FUL	17 Earlswood Common	First floor extension to existing dwelling	No Representative
21/02389/FUL	Alec Simmons Car Body Repairs, Umberslade Road	Construction of new storage unit for personal use only for the storage of classic cars and motorcycles	No Representative
21/02523/AGNOT  <i>Notification for prior approval</i>	Formally known as Heathfield Farm, Cut Throat Lane	Storage of new stock of Christmas trees, animal feed, hay and machinery	No Representative

iv) To note any delegated planning decisions made by The Clerk in consultation with the planning sub-committee

Application No	Address	Proposal	Comment
21/02066/FUL	Land Opposite Birchy Cross Business Centre, Broad Lane	Creation of new vehicular access and hardstanding to be used in association with occupation of adjacent barn	<b>No objection</b> - Strictly speaking this is inappropriate development in the Green Belt but it makes use of an attractive old barn and the impact of the car park will be small. The applicant should apply for both change of use and the car park and conditions should be imposed preventing later extensions and expansion. All landscaping and works should be consistent with its rural location.
21/02246/FUL	Pasture Farm, Rushbrook Lane	Demolition of existing dwelling. Erection of replacement dwelling with bin/bike store and all associated works.	<b>No Objection</b> – applaud the ecological application but Councillors have some reservations regarding the size of the proposed property.
21/02337/AAPA	Brock Cottage, Poolhead Lane	Application to determine if prior approval is required for proposed enlargement of a dwelling house by construction of an	<b>No representation</b>

		additional storey (resubmission of 21/00661/AAPA)	
21/02264/TPO	147 Malthouse Lane, Earlswood	T1 Oak – reduce and reshape by up to 5m, lift lower branches to 8m. Remove large failed branches within crown canopy	<b>No representation</b> – leave to tree officer
21/02229/OUT	Land, Earlswood Common, Earlswood	Outline application with all matters reserved except for access for the erection of 1no. dwelling and associated works	<b>Object</b> – Outside NDP BUAB
21/02345/TEL2 8	Vodafone Site at, Nuthurst Farm, Nuthurst Lane	Replacement of 3no. antenna and installation of 3no. new antenna, ERSs and a GPS module at 29m and ancillary development thereto	<b>No representation</b>
21/02166/FUL	The Coach House, Bates Lane	First floor extension to front/side. Part single storey part two storey extension to rear. Minor alterations to fenestration.	<b>No representation</b>

#### **21/22/040 – To adopt the Housing Needs Survey**

Cllr Ross proposed that the Parish Council did not accept the Housing Needs Survey but note it and the 25 cases it presented, rather than adopt the results. As there was no seconder, this proposal fell.

Cllr Brougham proposed that the Parish Council adopts the Housing Needs Survey, Cllr Saunders seconded this. Cllr Chaudry abstained and Cllr Ross was against the proposal. There were five votes in favour and therefore the motion was carried.

#### **21/22/041 – To consider using CIL money**

A resident suggested that the funds could be used towards widening Bell Field and the painting of white lines to assist with parking.

It was agreed that the Parish Council would monitor the CIL money and hope to increase the funds in order to make a bigger impact. It was noted that the CIL funds would likely be a contribution to a larger project.

#### **21/22/042 – To discuss The Bell and the use of the Village Green.**

With both parties insurance companies in agreement that The Bell has valid cover for use of the Green, it was discussed whether we need to have a formal contract with the owner. It was agreed that a license would be the better option with an annual agreement that gives The Bell use of the Green, alongside members of the public and other residents that may wish to use the Green.

Cllr Chaudry proposed that she and Julie could meet with the owner to discuss the formal arrangements. Cllr Saunders seconded this proposal and all were in favour.

Cllr Chaudry is to arrange the meeting.

#### **21/22/043 – To receive updates from:**

##### **i. Earlswood ASB and Traffic Issues Working Party – Ewen Cunningham**

Ewen sent an email update after the ECIAG statement was released earlier in the evening. Cllr Saunders stated that the views of the Parish would depend on who they asked and where they lived. Ewen stated that the ECIAG are planning a public meeting in September where residents would be able to voice their views.

##### **ii. Crime Prevention Working Party**

Clr Adams sent an email report prior to the meeting which stated that the Working Party has had three main targets:

1. Social media – WhatsApp has proved to be hugely popular and successful within the village.
2. Fly-tipping – this has been greatly reduced since the end of lockdown. SDC have supported the Working Party and reportedly moved some of their wildlife cameras to help in fly-tipping hot spots, but have gone quiet recently.
3. CCTV cameras – as many Tanworth residents have requested CCTV cameras to help with crime in the area, the Working Party have obtained three quotes to start a consultation with the residents. They are hoping to position the cameras at the Village Hall, at The Bell public house, at Muntz Sports Hall and at the Umberslade Estate on Tom Hill.

After some discussion about the requirements of the cameras, the cost and the practicality of the CCTV; Cllr Adams proposed that the Working Party draft a public consultation document for the Parish Council to review before being published. Cllr Ross seconded this proposal and all were in favour.

**21/22/044 – To consider installing a grit bin in Malthouse Lane**

Residents of Malthouse Lane have previously requested a grit bin for volunteers to grit the roads as it is not possible for a gritter to get down towards the Causeway. WCC have carried out an assessment and the only location deemed suitable was down after the last house on the left (Engine Pool side).

Cllr Doidge proposed that, providing that there are four volunteers to spread the grit, and dependant on the status of the Causeway, the Parish Council purchase a grit bin which would then be filled by WCC in late autumn. All in favour.

**21/22/045 – Items for future agenda/any other business**

Cllr Doidge would like local bus services and road safety on an agenda soon.

There was discussion about how Parish Council news reaches residents as not all will have social media.

**21/22/046 – To note date, place and time of next meeting**

**16<sup>th</sup> September at Tanworth Village Hall – 7.30pm**

The Chairman closed the meeting.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_