

**PARISH OF ABBOTS LEIGH**  
**Abbots Leigh Parish Council Meeting**  
**Held at Abbots Leigh Village Hall on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2021 at 7.30pm**

**MINUTES**

**Present:** Cllrs Talbot-Ponsonby, Narracott & Walker, Ward Cllr Davies & J Smart (Clerk)  
**Apologies:** Cllrs Butler & Stewart

Public Participation

Adam & Amanda Weeks were present to put forward their planning application for Woodlands Bungalow.

1. Declarations of Interest in items on the agenda

None.

2. Previous meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> June 2021

The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2021 (previously circulated) were signed as a true record.

3. Matters arising

None.

4. Planning

**Applications:-**

21/P/1602/FUL	Cowshed at Glen Farm Sandy Lane Lower Failand Abbots Leigh BS8 3SE	Minor material amendment to vary condition 2 (approved plans) of permission 20/P/0684/FUL (Change of use of redundant agricultural building (cow shed) to residential use, demolition of existing agricultural building and construction of new bat house) to demolish a small section of the building to create a 1 metre gap between buildings. <b>No comments.</b>
21/P/1620/FUL	Land to the South-East of Manor Road Abbots Leigh	Erection of general purpose agricultural building with provision of permeable compacted aggregate access track and hardstanding. <b>No objections in principle, provided it would only be used as a lambing shed, but request a condition that the building could not be converted into living accommodation at any time in the future. Reapply every 10 years?</b>
21/P/1632/AOC	Orchard Lodge Manor Road Abbots Leigh	Discharge of condition No. 5 Method Statement and No. 9 Construction Method Statement on application 21/P/0425/FUL (Change of use of existing agricultural land to residential curtilage, demolition of existing dwelling, annexe, stable block, shed and oil tank store and erection of a dwelling and detached annexe.) <b>No comments.</b>
21/P/1624/MMA	Cowshed at Glen Farm Sandy Lane Lower Failand	Minor material amendment to permission 20/P/0684/FUL for the variation of condition 3 (Ecological Mitigation and Enhancement Plan) to remove reference to the provision of specialist glass and of condition 2 (approved plans and reports) to allow the substitution of a revised Ecological Mitigation and Enhancement Plan. <b>No comments.</b>

21/P/1652/FUH	Woodland Bungalow Abbots Leigh Road Abbots Leigh	Demolition of existing conservatory and proposed erection of a single storey extension on the West elevation. Removal of the complete roof structure and erection of a completely new first floor over the existing ground floor & reconfiguration of the existing internal ground floor layout. <b>Object in the absence of 3D drawings showing impact on surrounding area. Believe it is likely to have a detrimental impact on Monarch's Way. The proposal was also over 50% of the original size of the building.</b>
21/P/1665/FUH	Longacre Manor Lane Abbots Leigh	Proposed replacement of existing roof tiles and windows and construction of single-storey front extension. <b>Application withdrawn.</b>
21/P/1739/FUH	25 Church Road Abbots Leigh	Removal of existing conservatory and proposed erection of a replacement single storey timber orangery to the South-West (side) elevation. <b>No objections.</b>

#### **Other Planning Matters**

None.

#### 5. Ward Councillor's Report

DD advised that the Local Plan 2038 was going through. The Plan is to avoid using Green Belt for expansion but allow small areas of development in villages. The most pressure for development was in Bristol.

The NSC Budget was low due to Government stopping its funding. Cuts would need to be made on NSC services.

The Bristol Clean Air Zone had now been put back for a year. DD suggested that the PC should write to NSC (Lucy Shomali) and Dr Liam Fox MP to state that the CAZ would push the problem from Bristol into North Somerset and ask what the Government were going to do about air quality monitoring in Abbots Leigh and on the A369.

#### 6. Neighbourhood Plan

Nothing to report.

#### 7. Conservation Area

RN had been in touch with Kate Hudson-McAulay (NSC) to arrange a meeting. She would need to check with her manager for a meeting outside of normal working hours. DD suggested asking for an informal advice meeting at a time that would suit her. Prepare a list of questions prior to the meeting.

All agreed to hold the Public Meeting on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2021 at 7.00pm. Clerk to check with JP regarding use of the Village Hall.

#### 8. Village Hall Car Park

STP had spoken to Dave Venebles to request a price for the works from his groundworker.

#### 9. Financial

Approval of Accounts for Payment – July 2021 - MW Proposed approval of the Accounts for Payment for July 2021 (previously circulated), seconded by STP. Agreed. **Action Clerk.**

#### 10 Village Matters

- i. Police Report – May 2021 – Church Road = 1 x Theft Other; Sandy Lane = 1 x Anti-Social Behaviour.
- ii. Village Hall - STP to chase up Sean Dorrington regarding repairs to the Village Hall.
- iii. Former Skittle Alley - Nothing to report.
- iv. Traffic Issues & Footpaths - PC to respond to NSC Clearway proposal in support.
- v. Verges - Nothing to report.
- vi. Playing Fields & Events - The Clerk had asked GB Sport & Leisure to replace the frayed rope. STP reported that the spring on the gate needed attention. The Clerk had arranged for Kevin Weekes to repair this. The Festival in

the Field would be held on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> September. Clerk to apply for a Temporary Event Notice. As STP would not be in attendance this year, the Clerk should contact Paul Whitehouse to ask who the named person should be for the event on the TEN.

- vii. Village Orderly - The Coffin Path had been cleared by local volunteers.
- viii. Abbots Pool - DD advised that the PC would receive a call out number from NSC for use in busy times. He would raise this issue at a meeting he would be having with the lead officer for NS Police on Thursday. MW suggested that this weekend was likely to be crowded due to the good weather forecast. STP – NSC needed to start fining people. STP to check with NSC when the litter bin would be removed, so the Clerk could order a dog bin.
- ix. Civic Society - Concerned about traffic calming on the A369. STP asked members to think of what the issues were and what the solutions may be. Then ask DD who to contact about it at NSC. CS asked to report to them what we do.

11. Communications

Trees – RN had received a request concerning the proposal for a Queen’s Jubilee Commemorative Tree. Suggested a row of Cherry Trees (3 on each side) on land outside the Church. This was not an adopted road, so the PC looks after it. RN to ask Vicky what she thought about the idea. **Action RN.**

12. Clerk’s Report

The Clerk advised that there were currently 3 x traffic counters outside St Katherine’s School.