

PARISH OF ABBOTS LEIGH - NOTICE OF MEETING
Abbots Leigh Parish Council
Held at Abbots Leigh Village Hall on Monday 13th February 2023 at 7.30pm

MINUTES

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

Apologies: None.

Cat Abel and Jenna Ho Marris were present.

1. Declarations of Interest in items on the agenda

None.

2. Previous meetings held on Monday 9th January 2023

The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 9th January 2023, previously circulated were signed as a true record.

Action Clerk.

3. Matters arising

None.

4. Planning

Applications:-

23/P/0192/LDP	Land off Abbots Leigh Road BS8 3QB	Placement of 2 No. shipping containers. The PC believe that a planning application should be submitted, rather than a request for a Lawful Development Certificate. . The PC understands that local residents have employed a planning consultant with legal advice and wait to see the advice before deciding how to object. Roots would be holding a public meeting at the Village Hall on Sunday 26 th February.
23/P/0194/LDP	Land off Abbots Leigh Road BS8 3QB	Certificate of Lawful Development for the creation of allotments on existing agricultural land alongside hard standing for up to 80 car parking spaces. The PC believe that a planning application should be submitted, rather than a request for a Lawful Development Certificate. The PC understands that local residents have employed a planning consultant with legal advice and wait to see the advice before deciding how to object.

Approvals/Refusals/Withdrawn:-

22/P/2678/CRA	Barn A, Kingcott Farm Beggan Bush Lane BS8 3TF	Prior approval for the change of use of 1No. existing barn into office accommodation (Use Class E). Refused.
22/P/1631/FUL	Hernhill Manor Lane BS8 3RU	Removal of Condition 4 of permission 20/P/1489/FUL, to allow the use of the garage for commercial/business purposes. TBC.
22/P/0266/FUL	Land to the South of Round Hill Clump Manor Road	Retention of agricultural building. Removal of non-agricultural fixtures and fittings. TBC.

22/P/2030/FUL	Clifton College Sports Club Abbots Leigh Road BS8 3QD	Demolition of existing indoor sports “dome” and replacement with new indoor sports hall and associated toilets and changing facilities. TBC.
22/P/2346/LDP	19 Dennyview Road BS8 3RD	Certificate of Lawful Development for the proposed erection of a rear extension to existing original garage less than 8m deep, matching height and width of garage. Construction of a detached gazebo to rear and adjacent oil tank. TBC.
22/P/2286/MMA	Cowshed Glen Farm Sandy Lane	Minor material amendment to approval 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 allow separation of cowshed from Glen Farm building, changes to internal layout and fenestration, installation of 3No. glazed ridge lights, and construction of a flat roofed canopy to internal courtyard. TBC.
22/P/2291/TPO	Freeway Trust Leigh Court Pill Road	T1 – Ash – Fell. Withdrawn.
19/P/2375/TPO	Orchard Cottage 252 Pill Road BS8 3RA	T1 – Ash – Fell. TBC.
22/P/2584/FUH	The Quest Glen Avenue BS8 3SD	Proposed erection of a side extension, rear extension, creation of a second storey with property wide roof alterations. Installation of new windows, doors, and solar panels with the creation of a new rear patio. TBC.
22/P/2502/FUL	Land between 7 & 9 Church Road	Demolition of existing shed and erection of a 4 bedroom dwelling house with parking and associated works. Approved.
22/P/2655/CQA	Barns B & C Kingcott Farm Beggars Bush Lane BS8 3TF	Prior approval for the change of use of Barn B into 1No. dwelling and Barn C into 4No. dwellings, with operational development including enclosing the open sides of the barn with brickwork and cladding, and adding new openings to create windows and doors. Refused.
22/P/2777/FUL & 22/P/2778/LBC	Stable Block Leigh Court BS8 3RL	New landscaping within courtyard of stable block including installation of statue, new wall mounted name plates, erection of freestanding arched sign to entrance of courtyard. Plus, Listed Building consent. TBC.
22/P/2928/EA1	Land to the South of Haberfield Park Farm Pill Road BS8 3RE	Request for a formal screening opinion as to whether an Environmental Impact Assessment is required to be submitted with an application for the proposed installation of a solar farm including solar panels, inverter cabins, associated infrastructure and landscaping works. THIS IS NOT A PLANNING APPLICATION. Not required.
22/P/3014/AOC	Orchard Lodge Manor Road BS8 3RS	Discharge of Condition No. 8 (Landscape Plan) on application 21/P/0425/FUL. TBC.

Other Planning Matters

A further application had been received on 13th February, for the demolition and rebuilding of Atcost Barn, Sandy Lane. This would be discussed at the March meeting.

All were disappointed with NSC's decision to approve the application for a new dwelling between 7-9 Church Road.

Solar Panel Haberfield Park Farm. The request for an EIA had been decided by NSC as not required. A planning application would be forthcoming. There would be a public consultation meeting at the Village Hall on Tuesday 7th March. PS Renewables had written to the PC on 20th January asking whether the PC had any questions, which had been forwarded to Cat for information. Cat Abel suggested that there should be some questions raised about the environmental impact and mitigation measures. Cat was asked whether she would be prepared to prepare a draft response about those issues that the Parish Council could consider and send.

5. Ward Councillor's Report

The Budget meeting would be held next week. NSC would be going for a 5% increase.

The 20mph speed limit notice had been signed today. Pill Road was now closed for 5 days between junction with A369 and Macrae Road roundabout.

First Bus had reported that the use of the X4 had increased, which meant that the service would be supported by First Bus.

6. Neighbourhood Plan Implementation

Nothing to report.

8. Financial

i. Approval of Accounts for Payment – February 2023

The accounts for payment for February 2023 had been circulated. STP proposed approval, MW seconded. Approved. **Action Clerk.**

ii. MW reported on the budget/actual for 2022-2023, and the budget for 2023-2024.

iii. Community Infrastructure Levy - The invoice for the new play equipment had been received.

9. Village Matters

i. Police Report - Crime Report for December 2022 – 1 x Criminal Damage & Arson at Church Road; 1 x Violence & Sexual Offence at Leigh Court.

ii. Village Hall - JB reported that the hedge had now been cut. MW reported that the village hall bookings were likely to be the highest ever this year. Clerk to update the prices and FAQs for the village hall on the website, and send to STP. JHM offered for large hall bookings to use the adjacent field for parking and it was agreed to make reference to that in FAQs relating to the Hall on the Village Website. **Action STP/MD/Clerk.**

iii. Former Skittle Alley - The CPI inflation rate for January will be release on 15th February, when the rental increase for the FitTank can be calculated.

iv. Traffic Issues & Footpaths - STP had spoken to Liam Abercrombie of NSC regarding road markings. STP had asked NSC to conduct a design review. NSC had reduced the size of the signs on Manor Road, but had not put them back to back, or moved them.

MW reported that there was a proposed new alpaca enclosure, surrounded by a deer fence in the field behind Acres Holt the other side of Coronation Avenue. An unofficial footpath linking the Avenue to the woods that people had been using for some time, was no longer available due to being fenced off.

v. Verges - MW had asked Tom Walmsley for an update on plans for the verge at Poundbatch Farm.

vi. Playing Fields & Events - STP reported that the new play equipment had now been installed.

vii. Abbots Pool - STP reported that permission would be required from the wall owner to install a handrail down the stone steps. **Action STP/MW.**

viii. Civic Society - MS reported that the Civic Society had held its AGM. It was a well-attended and successful event.

10. Communications

STP – items for The Link - Play equipment, allotments, solar farm, and to remind people of election.

11. Clerk's Report

BT will be increasing prices from 1 April 2023 by 14.4%, increasing the quarterly bill by approximately £32.00.