

**PARISH OF ABBOTS LEIGH**  
**Abbots Leigh Parish Council**  
**Held at Abbots Leigh Village Hall on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2023 at 7.30pm**

**MINUTES**

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

Apologies: None.

1. Declarations of Interest in items on the agenda

None.

2. Previous meeting held on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2023

The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2023, previously circulated, were signed as a true record.

**Action Clerk.**

3. Matters arising

None.

4. Planning

**Applications:-**

<b>23/P/0467/FUH</b>	<b>30 Dennyview Road BS8 3RB</b>	Proposed demolition of existing conservatory, rear extension, front porch and South side lean-to. Proposed garage conversion and erection of a new front porch, single storey wraparound extension to the South elevation and two storey rear extension. Internal and external alterations, to include the replacement of 2No. windows to the front elevation and removal of existing garage door. <b>No objections.</b>
<b>23/P/0480/AOC</b>	<b>Leigh Lodge 3 Church Road BS8 3QP</b>	Discharge of Condition No. 3 (hard surface material details) from application 21/P/2944/FUH. <b>No comments.</b>
<b>23/P/0549/MMA</b>	<b>Cowshed Glen Farm Sandy Lane BS8 3SE</b>	Minor material amendment to permission 22/P/2286/MMA (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 for the retention of one of the two existing timber sheds schedule to demolition prior to occupation of the dwelling. <b>Councillors had grave concerns that the proposed link through to the seven acres would impact on the effectiveness of the bat house, in this sensitive area. The application drawings are not clear on this matter.</b>

**Approvals/Refusals/Withdrawn:-**

<b>23/P/0009/FUL</b>	<b>Atcost Barn Glen Farm Sandy Lane</b>	Demolition of existing building and erection of 1No. dwelling. <b>TBC.</b>
<b>23/P/0171/FUH</b>	<b>The Paddocks Manor Lane, BS8 3RU</b>	Proposed erection of a single storey rear extension and internal structural alterations. <b>Approved.</b>

<b>23/P/0321/LDP</b>	<b>3 Ashgrove Avenue BS8 3QE</b>	Certificate of lawful development for the proposed erection of a single storey rear extension. <b>TBC</b>
<b>23/P/0292/NMA</b>	<b>Orchard Lodge Manor Road BS8 3RS</b>	Non material amendment to 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.) to allow Alterations to landscaping associated with the slight repositioning of the car parking spaces. <b>Approved.</b>
<b>23/P/0438/FUL</b>	<b>Orchard Cottage 252 Pill Road BS8 3RA</b>	External alterations to doors/fenestration to the south-east elevation of the building. Construction of additional hardstanding to the south-east of the building. <b>TBC.</b>
<b>22/P/1631/FUL</b>	<b>Hernhill Manor Lane BS8 3RU</b>	Removal of Condition 4 of permission 20/P/1489/FUL, to allow the use of the garage for commercial/business purposes. <b>TBC.</b>
<b>22/P/0266/FUL</b>	<b>Land to the South of Round Hill Clump Manor Road</b>	Retention of agricultural building. Removal of non-agricultural fixtures and fittings. <b>TBC.</b>
<b>22/P/2030/FUL</b>	<b>Clifton College Sports Club Abbots Leigh Road BS8 3QD</b>	Demolition of existing indoor sports “dome” and replacement with new indoor sports hall and associated toilets and changing facilities. <b>TBC.</b>
<b>22/P/2346/LDP</b>	<b>19 Dennyview Road BS8 3RD</b>	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. <b>TBC.</b>
<b>22/P/2584/FUH</b>	<b>The Quest Glen Avenue BS8 3SD</b>	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. <b>Approved.</b>
<b>22/P/3014/AOC</b>	<b>Orchard Lodge Manor Road, BS8 3RS</b>	Discharge of Condition No. 8 (Landscape Plan) on application 21/P/0425/FUL. <b>Approved.</b>
<b>23/P/0192/LDP</b>	<b>Land off Abbots Leigh Road BS8 3QB</b>	Use as an allotment in agricultural use with ancillary parking; and the laying of the matting for access and parking. <b>TBC.</b>
<b>23/P/0194/LDP</b>	<b>Land off Abbots Leigh Road BS8 3QB</b>	Certificate of Lawful Development for the creation of allotments on existing agricultural land alongside hard standing for up to 80 car parking spaces. <b>TBC.</b>

#### Other Planning Matters

Grangewood House – Following discussion, all agreed to write to Jo Walker, NSC Chief Executive. **Action STP/MW/RN.**

Roots Allotments had started work at the site today. Richard Kent (NSC) had responded to DD, and he had forwarded his email to all members. A decision on whether this is Lawful Development or requires a planning application should be made by NSC by the end of April. STP to check boundary. **Action STP.**

MS had resubmitted the Asset of Community Value application for The George Inn. This application needed to be resubmitted every five years. **Action Clerk.**

#### 5. Ward Councillor’s Report

DD thanked all for their support, and had enjoyed working with everyone in Abbots Leigh over the last eight years. He thought the links with Pill had worked very well. The Parish Council thanked Don Davies for all of his contribution to the Parish in his eight years as District Councillor.

Reported on the phone alert on 23<sup>rd</sup> April at 3.00pm. STP would put something on Whatsapp to remind residents.

**Action STP.**

The First Bus service was now running every 20 minutes.

#### 6. Neighbourhood Plan Implementation

The Government had dropped its requirement for housing numbers in the Local Plan for NSC, although the situation was not clear, as there should be some level of housing numbers to work to.

#### 7. Financial

- i. Approval of Accounts for Payment – April 2023. The list of Accounts for Payment for April 2023 had been circulated to all members. JB proposed approval, STP seconded. Approved. **Action Clerk.**
- ii. Budget/Actual 2022-2023 - MW & Clerk to meet next Tuesday at 9.30am to finalise the 2022-2023 financial year.
- iii. Community Infrastructure Levy - The Clerk had applied to open a further bank account to hold the CIL

#### 8. Village Matters

- i. Police Report - Crime Report for February 2023 = Ashgrove Avenue – 1 x Anti-Social Behaviour, Manor Lane – 1 x Burglary, Pill Road – 1 x Violence & Sexual Offences.
- ii. Village Hall -- Mick Dillon had now moved into the village hall flat. The Clerk to obtain the log burner certificate and the electrical certificate. JB advised that MD was still concerned about the rain entering at the large arched window in the main hall. STP would ask Dave Venables for advice on the right solution, or Tony Shipp for a quote. **Action STP.** JB would be taking over as Caretaker from Mick for 10 days in May, whilst Mick is on holiday.
- iv. Former Skittle Alley - STP advised that James wanted to modify the footway outside the entrance to the gym, as the surface was breaking up.
- v. Traffic Issues & Footpaths - STP reported that himself, Oliver Delaney, and the Clerk had met with the NS Community Speedwatch Coordinator John Hunter, and PCSO Nick Gough, on site to discuss setting up a Community Speedwatch group. Eleven residents had now signed up and training would be given prior to starting the scheme.

MW reported a drainage problem on Wear Lane/Manor Road. There appeared to be a drain that had purposefully be blocked. STP would report this to Terry Bridgwood (NSC). **Action STP.**

- vi. Verges - The Village litter pick had taken place at the end of March, to which 26 residents had attended. The resulting black bags were collected by Glendale the following day. Lunch was provided by The George Inn.
- vii. Playing Fields & Events - STP had applied for changes to a TPO, following receipt of a quotation from Koala Tree Services to cut some branches from the tree. He had not received any acknowledgement of receipt of the applications by NSC.
- viii. Abbots Pool - STP had met with Jason Cox at Abbots Pool. A lot of the steps were due to be replaced, and also numerous Ash trees would be felled.
- viii. Civic Society - MS reported that a meeting would be held this Thursday. They had been talking about the programme of events for the forthcoming year. The Easter Egg Hunt had been very well attended.

#### 9. Communications

Martin Walker would still be bundling The Link for the distributors.

MW had talked to Paul Whitehouse about assisting with the Village Website. Still looking for someone to take over from Paul, as he would like to stand down at some time.

10. Clerk's Report

The Clerk would be on leave from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> June 2023.

Thanks was expressed to the three retiring Parish Councillors, John Butler, Murray Stewart and Robert Narracott, for all that they had done for the village over many years between them.