

PATNEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on 28 September 2022 at 6:30pm at Manor Farm House, Manor Farm Lane, Patney

Present:

Patricia Alsop	(PA)	Chairman
Mark Cann	(MC)	Parish Councillor
Gino Zabeo	(GZ)	Parish Councillor
Steve Welford	(SW)	Parish Councillor & Clerk

Participating via Teams: Matt Wright

1. Apologies for absence
 - Apologies for absence were received from Paul Oatway, Simon Guest, Nigel Thursby
2. Minutes of Meeting held on 26 May 2022, and Matters Arising
 - The minutes of the meeting were approved
 - There were no matters arising
3. Finance Report
 - Movements since the meeting on 26 May 2022 are instant access interest of £0.70p; income received - £0; payments made – £80.00 Jubilee party bouncy castle, £40.00 Jubilee party line dancing, £450.00 Defibrillator hire renewal, £175.52 Community First insurance renewal, £35.00 Data protection renewal, £50.00 Internal auditor gratuity. Bank balance of £8,535.19 on 26 September 2022 (cf. £9,412.01 on 25 May 2022), consisting of £1,025.19 on current account and £7,510.00 on instant access account.
4. Planning Applications
 - PL/2022/03025 - 23 Woodland Road. Considerable discussion took place regarding the fact that 4 plots are to be auctioned by Strakers, as opposed to the 3 properties described in the Design & Access Statement of the recently approved planning permission. PA confirmed that following discussion with the WC Planning Officer, the approval was based on various submitted documents, not including the Design & Access Statement. The Planning Officer had confirmed that the approval for the new house reflected the fact that there is a pre-existing planning permission, renewed twice without objection from the neighbours, for a house in the location of the building plot. The proposed alterations to the 3 cottages do not require planning permission and, in his opinion the proposal as approved was less visually harmful than the previously approved Bloor Homes proposal. Despite this, concern was expressed about the increase from 3 dwellings to 4 on the site, which was not the basis on which PPC and other villagers had considered and commented on the application during the consultation period. It was noted, in particular, that there would be an increase in traffic entering and leaving the site. It also conflicts with the Wiltshire Core Strategy and the status of Patney as Open Countryside in an AONB where there should be no new building except substantially on the same footprint of existing buildings. It also sets a bad precedent for the village. It was agreed that PPC would raise the matter with the Enforcement Officer as soon as possible.

- PL/2022/06127 - 7 Woodland Road. Comments from the PPC and villagers have been submitted; planning decision date is 13 October.
5. Parish Steward
 - Nothing to report
 6. Defibrillator Report
 - GZ is now submitting monthly reports to SWAST
 - Training will be booked for summer 2023
 7. Highways & Rights of Way
 - A request has been made to WC for the Woodland Road sign at the south end of the village to be moved to the river bridge for greater visibility
 - Growth along FP3 has been cut back, so the path is passable again
 8. Matters from the Public
 - Littering near railway bridge has become an increasing problem, especially during the recent prolonged railway maintenance work; SW to notify Network Rail. PPC approved expenditure for a “do not litter” sign to be placed in the pull-in north of the bridge. No action will be taken on installing a CCTV camera at this time
 9. AOB
 - A suggestion has been made to mark the death of Queen Elizabeth II with a memorial plaque on the stone on the village green; SW to investigate options
 - Continued provision of remote attendance to PPC meetings via Teams was agreed
 10. Date of future meetings
 - The next PPC meeting is scheduled for 7 December 2022

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 7:30pm.

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Patricia Alsop, Chairman