

# BICKLEIGH PARISH COUNCIL

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## Minutes of a meeting of Bickleigh Parish Council held on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2023 at 7.30pm at Roborough Village Hall and then the Woolwell Centre

**Present:** Cllr Brian Hill (Chair), Cllr Paul Blight, Cllr Wendy Haymes, Cllr N Hopwood, Cllr Geoff Pithouse, Cllr Lindy Scott, Cllr Lynn Tamsett-White, Cllr L Taylor, Cllr J Taylor

**In attendance:** District Cllr Chris Oram, County Cllr John Hart, 1 member of the public and Mrs H Broughton (Clerk)

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### **Open Forum**

*There were no questions from members of the public*

2023 95 **Apologies for absence:** there were none

2023 96 **Pecuniary and other interests**

Cllr Wendy Haymes and Cllr Lynn Tamsett-White declared an interest in item 2023/101e, the nature of their interests being that they were employees of the Woolwell Centre. Cllr Larry Taylor and Cllr Jackie Taylor declared an interest in item 2023/101f, as partners of Viewme Lettings.

2023 97 **Dispensations**

A dispensation request had been received from Cllr Lynn Tamsett-White to speak, but not vote, on matters relating to the Woolwell Centre to enable the Council to be kept informed. It was unanimously agreed to grant a dispensation for Cllr Tamsett-White to speak on matters relating to the Woolwell Centre for her term of office.

2023 98 **Minutes**

It was agreed that the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> May 2023 be signed by the Chair as a true record.

2023 99 **County and District Councillors reports**

The following reports were received from County and District Councillors:

**County Cllr John Hart** gave a report on proposed Devolution deal, housing issues across the County, state of roads and budget for potholes.

**District Cllr Chris Oram** was currently visiting parishes to learn about how they were run and their requirements. A full Council meeting was being held next week. He hoped to work closely with Cllr Hopwood.

**District Cllr Nicky Hopwood** reported that she was now on the Executive in opposition and the first meeting with the new administration had been held. She had met with Cllr Chris Oram regarding the Woolwell development and had offered to give him a tour of the area. A

paper was being prepared to go to the Executive regarding S106 from the Pinewood development in which it was recommended that £80k be allocated for new Pump Track, 30K for the play park and £50k to the Woolwell Centre for a café area over-looking the MUGA and new Pump Track, which would include an area with a soft play base.

**2023 100 Clerks Report**

- a) The action list was noted. The speed camera would be installed and Cllr Hopwood would approach the District Council regarding re-allocation of a grant for trees on the Roborough Recreation area.
- b) It was noted that the insurance premium of 3117.50 had been paid under delegated action.

**2023 101 Finance and Admin**

- a) Bank reconciliations as at 30<sup>th</sup> May 2023 were noted
- b) Receipts and Payments as at 30<sup>th</sup> May 2023 were noted
- c) It was unanimously agreed to add Cllr Wendy Haymes as a signatory on the Unity Trust bank account.
- d) It was agreed to approve an application to the County Councillor's locality fund for £1,000 towards new boiler for the Woolwell Centre.

**Cllr Wendy Haymes left the meeting due to a declared interest**

- e) A grant application from the Woolwell Centre had been received for £4,000 towards the cost of internal decoration. This was considered and there was some discussion. It was unanimously agreed to give a grant of £4,000 to the Woolwell Centre from the Community Grants budget.

**Cllr Wendy Haymes re-joined the meeting**

**Cllrs Jackie Taylor and Larry Taylor did not participate in the following item due to a declared interest.**

- f) It was unanimously agreed to approve the following payments (*invoices had been sent electronically to Councillors*)

**Pre-paid**

SUPPLIER	DETAILS	TOTAL	VAT	NET
Cutec	June 365 exchange plan	62.40	10.40	52.00
Future Cooling	HVAC servicing contract	129.00	21.50	107.50
James Hallan	Insurance premium	3117.50	337.77	2814.73

**For approval**

SUPPLIER	DETAILS	TOTAL	VAT	NET
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Chubb	Fire Alarm service	379.36	63.23	316.13
HMRC	Tax and NI	494.69		494.69
H Broughton	Salary June	637.74		637.74
Woolwell	Room hire July	60.00		60.00
Viewme	Materials for repairs	104.17		104.17

### 2023 102 **Woolwell Centre**

The Centre Manager reported that there were some issues with the ladies toilet doors. She requested that as soon as final version of lease was ready Trustees be able to review it. This was agreed. It was hoped that a new trustee would be appointed in July.

### 2023 103 **Planning**

The following responses to planning applications:

0444/23/HHO - 6 Woodend Road, Woolwell PL6 7RQ. Householder application for demolition conservatory & construction of single storey rear extension. **No comment.**

1575/23/FUL - 1 Old School House Cottage PL6 7AG. Proposed erection of replacement dwelling (resubmission of 3698/22/FUL). Bick 17 – Bick 7. (See previous objection). Has been previously refused. Objected grounds of access and moved entrance to new location.

#### **Objection:**

**Access to the development is considered dangerous with poor visibility.**

**The proposed development does not comply with Neighbourhood Plan policy Bick 17 (Development proposals to facilitate traffic management schemes in the interest of increasing safety in the Parish will be supported). There are plans to remove a Devon Hedge which is a heritage asset, as is the school house. This is against Bick 07 in the Neighbourhood Plan which states that development proposals should help conserve and enhance local Heritage assets and respect open spaces, trees, hedges and character features.**

To note recent planning decisions:

0650/23/HHO - 9 Ashtree Close Woolwell PL67RW. Householder application for erection of conservatory. *Conditional approval.*

4514/22/HHO - 36 Church Park Road, Woolwell PL67SA. Householder application for porch on front of house, consisting one ground floor toilet and entrance lobby. *Refusal.*

1109/23/TPO - Land at SX 450 611, Warleigh Wood Tamerton Foliot. T1 & T2: Oak - section fell to g/l to remove risk of falling onto power lines, T3: Oak - crown height reduction to 16m to remove risk of falling onto Network Rail apparatus, basal decay. *Tree works allowed.*

0974/23/HHO - 7 Leat Walk, Roborough PL6 7AT. Householder application for proposed two storey extension. *Conditional approval*

0996/23/HHO - 12 Bowers Park Drive Woolwell PL6 7SH. Householder application for single storey rear extension, garage conversion & associated internal & external works. *Conditional approval.*

2023 104 **Telephone Box**

It was agreed that it was a good idea to install the defibrillator in the telephone box. The power and lighting issue was to be further investigated by Cllr Larry Taylor.

2023 105 **Neighbourhood Plan Standing Item**

Cllr Larry Taylor would look at proposing dates for the next meeting to discuss the plan and continue to focus on Green Spaces.

2023 106 The **date of the next meeting** was agreed as 13<sup>th</sup> July 2023 at the Woolwell Centre. Cllrs N Hopwood, J Taylor and L Taylor gave their apologies in advance.

The meeting closed at 9.30pm