

Granborough Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of Granborough Parish Council
held in the Village Hall on Tuesday 7th September 2021

Attendees: Cllr Anderson, Cllr de Niese, Cllr Ellerton, Cllr Fenwick, Cllr Oakland (Chair),
Clerk Tors Firth, Buckinghamshire's Cllr Chilver, and 4 members of the public

103. Apologies; Cllr Smedley and Cllr Watson sent apologies due to being on holiday.
Buckinghamshire's Cllr Stanier and Cllr Goss sent apologies.

104. Open Forum for Parishioners;

Members of the public commented as follows;

- a. Planning application 21/03078/APP at Green End; the garages have already been built and no yellow notices were displayed.
- b. The Hedge in Sovereign Close is very overgrown, a tractor will be needed for cutting.
- c. The stile is broken on GRA/6/1 where it joins GRA/8/3

105. Interests: Cllr de Niese declared an interest in item 108a. due to a shared boundary. This is a small field boundary, Cllr de Niese abstained from voting. Cllr de Niese also declared a personal interest in item 115a. and abstained from voting as the proposed grass cutting is in close proximity to his house.

106. Minutes;

Resolved: To accept the Minutes from the 9th August 2021 as a true record.

107. Finance;

- a. **Resolved:** To accept the accounts for July and August 2021.
- b. **Ratified:** Payments 32 to 53 inclusive were ratified, please see Appendix A.
- c. **Confirmed:** the external audit is complete; documents are displayed on the website.

108. Planning;

- a. **Resolved;** To agree a response of No Objections to application 21/03078/APP at Green End Farm for relocation of garages.
- b. **Resolved;** To agree a response of Object to application 21/03092/APP at Green End Farm for Erection of an agricultural barn, hardstanding and associated infrastructure. A full response will be submitted, explaining that the Parish Council feels the barn is still too close to residential properties, which contradicts the NPPF. Should the Local Planning Authority choose to approve this application, the Parish Council has requested conditions to help limit the impact of the barn on residents. The Parish Council has also requested that this application is "called in" should the planning officer decide to approve it.

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- c. **Resolved;** To agree a response of No Objections to application 21/03248/APP at 12A Denham View for Single storey side/rear extension and garage conversion to habitable room.
- d. **Resolved;** To agree a response of No Objections to application 21/03079/APP at 46 Winslow Road to Demolish single storey side extension, subdivide the plot and erect a three-bedroom dwelling and associated infrastructure. The Parish Council will request conditions to ensure on street parking does not take place.
- e. **Confirmed;** A status update on current planning applications was obtained from the planning portal, please see Appendix B.

109. Buckinghamshire Council Updates;

John Chilver gave a short report including the resurfacing between North Marston and Granborough (it was noted that road markings are still required), and of the road between Winslow and East Claydon. The 60 Bus service will undergo a new pilot scheme in January, diverting two of the daytime journeys via Great Horwood to stop at Tesco. The VALP inspectors report has now been issued and the draft declared sound subject to a few modifications. Full Council will vote next Wednesday, if the plan is then "made", the impact on Planning will be instant. Cllr Chilver also confirmed that the Parish Liaison role at Buckinghamshire Council which has become vacant, will not be replaced.

Action: Cllr Chilver will send the dedicated phone line number for Parish Council's.

110. Councillors/Clerk/Administration;

- a. Buckinghamshire Council responded on 18th August to Granborough Parish Council's formal complaint raised 7th July. The response did not address the issues raised but it is felt that further effort in seeking resolution would be wasted.
Resolved: not to pursue this further.
- b. **Resolved;** To change Standing Order 3e to clarify that members of the public may comment of any item of Council Business, not just items on the agenda.
- c. **Resolved;** To adopt the Vexatious Complainants Policy but to add an addendum to section 7 regarding data. **Action:** Cllr de Niese will draft the addendum.
- d. **Resolved;** To adopt the new Code of Conduct.
- e. **Resolved;** To apply for bank signatory status for Cllr Janis Anderson.

111. Buckinghamshire Council: Highways, Footpaths & Footways

- a. Issues raised since the last meeting;
 - i. Handrails broken on the Bridge Ref: 40171295; this has been fixed.

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- ii. Hedge cuttings left on the pavement on Church Lane; the landowner was asked to remove the cuttings on 17th August, this has not yet been done.
- iii. Waste connection via Bates Close; Street Works have confirmed that Anglian Water have blocked the connection until remedial work takes place, scheduled for 13th September.
- iv. The Church Hedge has overgrown the pavement on Marston Road; the Clerk will contact the Church Warden.
- b. To receive any updates on outstanding issues;
 - i. Overgrown Hedges and Street Light in Sovereign Close: street scene were asked for an update on 31st August, there has been no response.
 - ii. Overgrown hedge on Church Lane, see item a. ii; The hedge was cut back but cuttings have been left behind.

112. Play Area;

- a. Inspection Reports indicate no further action is required at this time.
- b. **Resolved;** To accept a quote for £400 from Roy Randles for carrying out various maintenance work.
- c. **Confirmed;** Playground Supplies Ltd dismantled the zipwire and confirmed there are no defects and workings are in good order.

113. Glebe Land Project;

- a. Sidley's have accepted the proposed changes to the lease, though a condition to remove all ragwort (senecio) has been added. Boundary issues have been resolved. A small grant has been applied for through community boards.
Resolved: To officially accept the lease and move forward with the project.

114. Street Lighting and Parish Council Assets

- a. No new issues were raised.

115. Devolved Services;

- a. A resident requested that grass cutting is extended past the white gates on Marston Road. **Resolved:** Not to extend the cutting due to Parish liability concerns.
- b. **Confirmed;** RTM have cut back the overgrowth on the alleyway opposite The Crown.
- c. **Resolved:** To ask RTM to provide a quote for cutting back brambles on the perimeter fence of the play area.

116. Website/Technology;

- a. **Confirmed:** A Lenovo laptop has been purchased specifically for Parish Council work.

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- b. *Resolved:*** To remove comments on meetings attendance from the meetings page of the website, and to remove the planning call-in process and replace it with the amended procedure. **Action:** Philip to provide the procedure.

Councillors will take a look at the website for any other changes required.

117. Neighbourhood Plan;

Confirmed: The Plan and associated documents were submitted to Buckinghamshire Council on 17th August 2021. There is a large backlog, and no date has been set for beginning the process.

118. Outside Bodies; No meetings attended.

119. Post and Consultations;

The following noteworthy communications have been logged;

- a.** Various communications from Bucksalc, Nalc and BMKalc
- b.** 30/7 Letter regarding the application for a barn on Green End, Bruce Clarke
- c.** 3/8 Creating a vision for the Oxford-Cambridge Arc, Martin Tett
- d.** 4/8 Copied Request for involvement in Planning matters, NBPPC
- e.** 4/8 Copied discussion on public comments on the planning portal, NBPPC
- f.** 4/8 Ox-Camb Arc Zoom discussion, request for questions, NBPPC/BEAG
- g.** 11/8 Wild Aylesbury Microgrants, WAVCB
- h.** 16/8 BEAG Updates, BEAG
- i.** 17/8 Planning & Environment Update, Bucks Council
- j.** 20/8 WAVCB updates
- k.** 24/8 VALP Update, NBPPC
- l.** 24/8 Bucksalc Survey request
- m.** 26/8 NALC Survey request
- n.** 27/8 Transport Strategy Bus Usage Survey request, Buckinghamshire Council
- o.** 27/8 Licensing Policy Consultation, Buckinghamshire Council.

Resolved: The Council decided to remove this section from future Minutes.

120. Items for the Next Agenda;

Budget Review, Queens Jubilee, Honour Roll, Digital Negative.

121. To confirm the date of the next meeting; 12th October 2021

The meeting closed at 20:58

Signed: _____

Date: _____

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Appendix A – Payments Ratified

Ref	Amount	Expenditure	VAT
32	£131.28	E.on Monthly Bill	£6.25
33	£14.39	Zoom Membership (Reimburse V Firth)	£2.40
34	£192.00	RTM Rights of Way Clearance	£32.00
35	£849.00	Laptop Purchase (Reimburse V Firth)	£141.50
36	£210.00	PRA Randles (White Gate Painting)	£0.00
37	£60.00	BMKALC Demistfying Planning Training	£0.00
38	£54.00	BCQ Play Area Sign	£9.00
39	£***.**	Clerks Pay July	£0.00
40	£472.07	RTM Village Grass Cut	£78.68
41	£1,575.00	Sally Chapman Neighbourhood Plan	£0.00
42	£**.**	Clerks Expenses July	£0.00
43	£135.66	E.on Monthly Bill	£6.46
44	£294.00	Play Ground Supplies Ltd	£49.00
45	£14.39	Zoom Membership (Reimburse V Firth)	£2.40
46	£240.00	PKF Littlejohn LLP external audit	£40.00
47	£108.44	Buckinghamshire Council Election Costs	£0.00
48	£***.**	Clerks Pay August 2021	£0.00
49	£**.**	Clerks Expenses August	£0.00
50	£38.00	BALC Councillor Training #3199	£0.00
51	£24.99	Reimburse Norton Cost - V Firth	£0.00
52	£621.16	RTM Grass Cut #3001	£103.53
53	£60.00	BALC Councillor Training #3182	£0.00

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Appendix B – Planning Update

Application	Where	Decision
21/03248/APP	12 A Denham View	Awaiting decision
21/03092/APP	Green End Farm Green End	Awaiting decision
21/03079/APP	46 Winslow Road	Awaiting decision
21/03078/APP	Green End Farm	Awaiting decision
21/02960/APP	Land Off Hogshaw Road	Awaiting decision
21/02817/ALB	17 Winslow Road	Approved
21/02805/APP	10 Church Lane	Awaiting decision
21/02402/APP	13 Winslow Road	Approved
21/01964/APP	The Old Vicarage 5 Green End	Awaiting decision
21/01873/APP	The Old Byre Green End	Awaiting decision
21/01381/APP	Land Off Green End	Awaiting decision
21/00976/APP	Land At Green End Farm	Refused
20/04281/APP	Barns At Land Off Winslow Road North Of Granborough	Awaiting decision
20/02071/APP	Stately Stables Winslow Road	Awaiting decision