

Thornley with Wheatley Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held virtually via Zoom on

Monday 14 September 2020 at 7.15 pm

Present: Mr M Hayhurst (Chairperson)
Mrs C Ansbro (Vice-Chairperson/Clerk)
Mrs G Airey (Responsible Finance Officer)
Mr P Hallett (Representative on Parish Councils' Liaison Ctte)
Mrs J Faraday

20.9.01 Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies for absence.

20.9.02 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

20.9.03 Minutes of the meeting held on 15 June 2020

The Minutes of the meeting held on 15 June 2020 were approved and a copy would be signed and forwarded to the Clerk.

20.9.04 Matters Arising

20.6.08 a) Oaks Barn, Birks Brow Planning Application No 3/2020/0415 and 3/2020/0416

Councillors noted that these planning applications had been refused for, in summary, the following reasons

1. The proposal has a harmful impact upon the special architectural and historic interest of the listed building and the setting of listed buildings
2. The proposal has a harmful impact upon the Ribble Valley Development Strategy and the landscape character of the Forest of Bowland AONB

20.9.05 Accounts

a) Income and Expenditure Statement to September 2020

Councillors noted the Income and Expenditure Statement to September 2020. Mrs Ansbro informed Members that all expenditure had been agreed with Mrs Airey, Responsible Finance Officer.

20.9.06 Draft decision by RVBC re proposal by British Telecommunications iro Public Call Boxes.

At the end of August Councillors had considered the proposal forwarded by RVBC regarding BTs consultation in respect of the removal of a number of public payphones. Councillors had concluded that they had no objections to the removal of the phone box near Banks Cottage based on the information that it had not been used in the last 6 months and there is now network coverage in the area by 4 mobile networks. RVBC had been notified accordingly. The latest correspondence from RVBC indicated that its draft decision was to agree to the removal of this phone box.

20.9.07 Letter regarding Game Rearing Field

Councillors had seen a copy of the letter from all the interested parties of the Dale House Shoot and Lyme House Holsteins in response to issues raised at the Parish Council's last meeting regarding the erection of hutches for game bird rearing.

The Parish Council's initial concerns related to the size of the farm and whether planning approval was required for the development and therefore an enquiry had been made to the Planning Authority.

The letter provided further information/explanation regarding a number of issues which had been raised by local residents to the Planning Authority and to the Parish Council.

Subsequently it had been understood by the residents that the Planning Authority would be requesting removal of the game rearing pens. However, to date they are still in situ although they appear not to be in use.

It is anticipated that a planning application will be submitted for this development and Parish Councillors agreed to await a request for its comments on the plans.

20.9.08 Planning Applications

- a) 3 Bradley Court, Chipping - Installation of 2 additional window openings with 2 windows in each to side elevation at ground and first floor level, insertion of roof light to rear and change of existing back door to double glass doors No 3/2020/0344)
- b) Smithy Cottage, Birks Brow – Erection of cabin/caravan to provide temporary accommodation to carry out house alterations No 3/2020/0384 (copy of PCs response attached)
- c) Woodstraw Barn, Forty Acre Lane – Proposed residential annex to existing first floor of existing garage building. Removal of existing timber shed and proposed single storey extension to the north side of the existing garage to form a home gym. Installation of two roof lights to the north pitch of the existing garage building No 3/2020/0480

Due to consultation timescales Councillors comments on these applications had been requested by email. Applications have been put on the Agenda to note Councillors comments.

In respect of applications regarding 3 Bradley Court, Chipping and Woodstraw Barn, Forty Acre Lane Councillors had had no objections.

In respect of the planning application regarding Smithy Cottage, Birks Brow, the Parish Council had made some comments but, in conclusion, providing the application was for the siting of temporary accommodation which will be removed on completion of the works, the PC had no objections.

The PCs responses to the above planning applications had been submitted to RVBC Planning Department.

d) 3 Bradley Court, Chipping, No 3/2020/0669

Subsequent to send out of the Agenda for this meeting, a further planning application had been received in respect of 3 Bradley Court, Chipping. Councillors noted that this was a resubmission based on pre-application advice. In response the applicants had made some changes which would have a much reduced impact using existing door positions where possible and had introduced windows that match the same style and appearance of the existing windows to create a balanced elevation. Councillors had no objections to this resubmission.

RESOLVED RVBC to be notified that Councillors had no objections to this resubmission.

Action – Parish Clerk

20.9.09 Any Other Business

There were no other items of business.

20.9.10 Date and Time of next meeting

Provisionally Monday 14 December 2020 dependant on items of business

The meeting closed at 7.45 pm

Signed _____ Date _____