

MINUTES OF PLANNING AND FINANCE/AUDIT COMMITTEE HELD ON TUESDAY 17TH
AUGUST 2021 AT 7.30PM at NEEDINGWORTH VILLAGE HALL

PRESENT:

Cllr A Whyte (Chairman)
Cllr R Fountain
Cllr D Jackson
Cllr E MacPherson
Cllr S Martin
Cllr S Mitcham
Cllr J Neish
Cllr C Pearce
Cllr M Williamson

IN ATTENDANCE:

Miss J Bowd (Parish Clerk)
County Councillor K Reynolds

2 members of public

18. To Receive Apologies for Absence.

Cllr Macrae – Personal
Cllr S Mortlock – Personal
Cllr C Norman – Personal
Cllr G Norman - Personal

19. To approve the minutes of the meetings held on 20th July 2021

Resolved: That the minutes of 20th July be signed as a true and correct record. (Prop Cllr M Williamson, 2nd Cllr S Martin) 6 in favour, 3 abstentions

20. To note declarations of interest relating to items on the agenda.

Item 21.1 (i) - Cllr J Neish – Non-Pecuniary – Possible Ward Cllr Pre-determination

21. Planning

21.1 To consider the following applications **RECEIVED:**

(i) Application ref 21/01224/LBC Replacement of suspended floor joists and boards above cellar. fully repair/reinstate brickwork corbel to chimney. Introduce 3 telescopic sub-floor vents Fit new pressure treated 200x50mm joists to steel hangers. Form new hearth to receive new tiling. Board cellar ceiling with 9mm OSB. Fully fill voids between joists with rock wool. Lay new timber floor, to joists including perimeter foam closure between board edge and wall. Refit skirting board. Refit hearth tiling.
55 High Street Needingworth St Ives PE27 4SB.

Resolved: That the application be supported (Prop Cllr M Williamson, 2nd Cllr E MacPherson) 8 in favour, 1 abstention

21.2 To note the following applications that have been **WITHDRAWN**

(i) Application ref: 18/02372/FUL Proposed replacement dwelling
Land At Overcote Farm Overcote Lane Needingworth.

Noted

21.3 To note the following applications that have been **APPROVED:**

(i) Application ref 21/00607/HHFUL | Remove overgrown Leylandii hedge at property side boundary to path in Old Farm Close, currently 24.5m long x 1.5m wide & 3.5m+ high & replace with a 24.5m long wooden fence and brick boundary treatment.
2 Old Farm Close Needingworth St Ives PE27 4SG.

Noted

(ii) Application ref 18/02031/S73 Application for variation of condition 4 on application 1101863FUL to allow for the removal and loading of finished poultry between 1900 and 0700

Overcote Farm Overcote Lane Needingworth St Ives PE27 4TN.

Noted

21.4 To review additional information relating to the proposed extension Envar

Cllr J Neish clarified that this application is considered by CCC under Minerals and Waste and that HDC are a consultee.

County Councillor K Reynolds was invited to speak and advised that Envar is not in his ward, but he could be asked to comment at committee and will base a lot of his comments on what the Parish Council has to say.

Members had a discussion and will review any further information and consider factors such as traffic, use of land and visual impact as well as any technical information available. Members agreed to defer this to the September meeting to allow for more information to be received.

22. Finance

22.1 To approve renewal of Insurance (as per schedule provided) renewal date 1st September 2021.

Resolved: That the renewal of Insurance (as per schedule provided) at a cost of £3461.71 is approved. (Prop Cllr C Pearce, 2nd Cllr E MacPherson) All in favour.

22.2 To accept proposed payment from Fisher German re Overcote Lane Car Park damage.

Resolved: That the Clerk obtains quotes for the damage and advise Fisher German of figure for compensation or for them to carry out the work. (Prop Cllr C Pearce, 2nd Cllr E MacPherson) All in favour.

22.3 To appoint an internal auditor for 2022/23

Resolved: That MiJan Ltd are appointed as the internal auditor for 2022/23. (Prop Cllr M Williamson, 2nd Cllr C Pearce) All in favour.

22.4 To consider a "highly commended" award for allotment plot annual competition.

Resolved: To award the wildflower plot with a highly commended award with a garden centre gift card of £10. (Prop Cllr E MacPherson, 2nd Cllr M Williamson) All in favour.

23. Correspondence.

To note the following correspondence and agree any actions:

(i) Proposal for possible diversion of Footpath 11 – Pike & Eel Needingworth

Members were made aware of the proposal for possible diversion of Footpath 11 and were advised that currently no application has been made.

Cllr A Whyte advised that his research contradicted information provided by CCC Officer as in his opinion picnicking on a public footpath is permitted.

Cllr S Martin queried why the associated Footpath 13 has been cindered which has made walking the footpath very difficult.

Members requested the Clerk to investigate who has put the surface onto Footpath 13 and planted the trees along the footpath.

(ii) Email from resident regarding street lighting Hawkes Lane Needingworth

The Clerk advised that the contractor is due onsite to replace the streetlights with LED lights w/c 23rd August 2021.

The Chairman commented that residents need to report faulty streetlights.

(iii) Confirmation of receipt of letter "Your St Ives" comments.

Noted

(iv) Email requesting use of Overcote Playing field for Remembrance Day parade.

Resolved: That the request to use Overcote Playing field for Remembrance Day parade be approved. (Prop Cllr M Williamson, 2nd Cllr E MacPherson) All in favour.

24. Items to report

- Cllr S Martin advised members that Chatters have had their stall at the Music Festival cancelled. Chatters were hoping to raise awareness and encourage people to volunteer by handing out leaflets and samples of what was on offer at Chatters.
- Cllr R Fountain encouraged Councillors to attend the Music Festival this weekend.
- Cllr J Neish advised members that the Space net is on the DMC agenda for Monday.
- Cllr C Pearce commented that the Millfields refurbishment had omitted the heaters and the hand dryers and requested that quotes are obtained for replacements.
- The Clerk advised that Cllr A Whyte and herself will attend the DMC meeting on Monday for the Space net and further advised that Parish Hub application has now been validated by HDC and is now in the planning process. Application ref: 21/01785/FUL.

Being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.26pm

Chairman

Date