

THE BOOKHAMS RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 15th March 2023 on Zoom

TO BE READ IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE PUBLISHED AGENDA

1. Those attending: -

Keith Whale (Chair), Chris Cunningham, Peter Witter, Brian Eve, Simon Edge, Julia Dickinson & Geoff Tranter. Peter Seaward attended but with breaks due to issues with Zoom cutting out.

Apologies: Richard Moyse & Nigel Smith.

2. Matters arising from previous minutes: -

A LoR was dispatched in respect of 22/2157 Talskiddy, Meadowside.

3. Running List:

The Running List was reviewed in detail. The following were subject to detailed discussion: -

- 23/0159 41, Merrylands Road.
- 23/0152 Norbury View.
- 23/0108 Land adj to 16, Swanns Meadow.
- 23/0193 Neways, East Street.
- 23/0227 Nightingales, Meadowside.
- 23/0297 261, Lower Road.

It was noted that several applications involved removal of garages either to convert into habitable accommodation or demolished to facilitate an extension to a property. In some cases, there was concern about the amount of parking and access/egress safety for cars parked on driveways.

ACTION: KW to contact MVDC to discuss the issue and seek guidance on policy.

4. Recommended LoRs:

- 23/0152 Norbury View. **ACTION: KW** to prepare a Letter of Objection based on issues raised on the earlier application.
- 23/0227 Nightingales, Meadowside. **ACTION: KW** to prepare a letter of concern regarding construction up to the boundary edge.
- 23/0297 261, Lower Road. **ACTION: CC** to prepare a Letter of Objection concerning the need to remove a young and healthy tree.

5. Planning decisions:

All decisions were noted with brief discussions on the following: -

- 22/2124 Edenside House, Edenside Road.
- 22/2157 Talskiddy, Meadowside.
- 22/2039 206, Lower Road.
- 23/0006 62, The Park.
- 22/2059 Rowan House, Springvale Close.
- 22/1980 20, Griffin Way.

6. Appeals:

The Appeal decisions on 10 Blackthorne Road was acknowledged.

7. Any Other Business:

- i. The land south of Lower Road. The Appeal has yet to be decided. **ACTION: JD & KW** to monitor.

- ii. Local Plan update. PS advised that the Government Report was still awaited and was unlikely to be ready until the summer.
- iii. Surrey CC policy on trees. CC updated the Committee on the issue advising DEFRA were proposing to require Councils to prepare Tree Strategies, and was hoping that bodies such as BRA would be able to be consulted. **ACTION: CC** to provide details to **PS** so that he could raise the issue with Piers Morgan at MVDC.
- iv. Water courses, flooding and pollution. JD expressed concern as to how these issues are being dealt with. PS stated that BRA had a Flood Forum and will discuss this with them.
- v. AONB. JD expressed disappointment that very little of the areas submitted for inclusion in the revised AONB were accepted. There is a Public Consultation running until May and she will seek feedback on the reasons for the areas being rejected..

8. Date of next meeting:

Wednesday 12th April at 19:30, at The Waterfield Room, Bookham.