

WALFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting at Walford Village Hall at 7.30pm on Wednesday 10th January 2018

APPENDIX B: PLANNING APPLICATIONS, CONSENTS & COMMENTS

Applications can be viewed at: <http://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/searchplanningapplications>

Decisions can be viewed at: <http://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/housing/planning/58243.asp>

1) PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION:

APPLICATION NO & SITE ADDRESS:	Planning Consultation - 174178 - Land opposite Cheques Lodge, Leys Hill Road, Walford, Ross-On-Wye, Herefordshire HR9 5QU
DESCRIPTION:	Outline application for the proposed erection of 2 no. residential dwellings.(All matters reserved excluding access)
APPLICANT(S):	C/O Agent
GRID REF:	OS 358488, 218850
APPLICATION TYPE:	Outline
APPLICATION NO & SITE ADDRESS:	Planning Consultation - 174443 - Walford House, Priory Lea, Coughton, Ross-On-Wye, Herefordshire HR9 5RT
DESCRIPTION:	T1 T2 and T3 common Lime trees - reduce the crown
APPLICANT(S):	Mr Mike Burrows
GRID REF:	OS 359468, 221310
APPLICATION TYPE:	Works to trees covered by TPO

2) PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR PRIOR APPROVAL: None

3) PLANNING DECISIONS MADE:

APPLICATION NO & SITE ADDRESS:	173436 - Colt Garages Ltd, Wyese Park, Herefordshire, HR9 5QX
DESCRIPTION:	Proposed illuminated garage pole sign to replace existing pole sign.
APPLICANT(S):	Mr Mark Burch
GRID REF:	OS 359440, 218419
APPLICATION TYPE:	Advertisement Consent
DECISION:	<i>Approved with conditions</i>
APPLICATION NO & SITE ADDRESS:	173770 - Flaxley House, Walford, Ross-On-Wye, Herefordshire HR9 5SB
DESCRIPTION:	(Retrospective) Raise roof area over bedroom 4 with 2 no. roof windows. Renovation of staircase. Replacement windows. Provision of new doors. Internal repairs. (Proposed) New coursed pattern lime render to all walls externally with replacement rainwater goods and associated repairs. New slate roof covering to conservatory.
APPLICANT(S):	Mr N Robinson
GRID REF:	OS 358864, 220577
APPLICATION TYPE:	Listed Building Consent
DECISION:	<i>Approved with conditions</i>

4) CERTIFICATES OF LAWFULNESS: None

5) NON-MATERIAL AMENDMENTS : None

6) PLANNING REFUSALS: None

7) CHANGE OF USE NOTIFICATION: None

8) PLANNING ENFORCEMENTS: None

9) WITHDRAWN APPLICATIONS: None

10) PLANNING APPEALS:

Application Ref & Site Address: 170615 - Hill Side, Walford, Ross-On-Wye, HR9 5QS
Description of development: Widening of existing driveway to create a battered bank on the left hand side. Creation of a wider drive in/drive out access and reduction of angle of the Whitings Lane facing slope.

Appellant's name: Mr Gary Williams
Appeal reference: APP/W1850/W/17/3184408
Appeal start date: 7 December 2017

Application Ref & Site Address: APP/W1850/W/17/3179678
Little Howle Farm, Howle Hill, Ross-on-Wye, HR9 5SL
The application Ref 171105, dated March 2017, was refused May 2017.
The development proposed is erection of two bedroom bungalow, new access and associated development.

Decision: *The appeal is dismissed.*

11) PLANNING APPLICATIONS RESPONDED TO UNDER DELEGATED POWERS: None

12) PLANNING APPLICATIONS COMMENTED ON AT THE MEETING ON 22/11/17

APPLICATION NO & SITE ADDRESS: 173732 - Arbour Hill Farm, Lincoln Hill, Ross-On-Wye, HR9 7TH
DESCRIPTION: Construction of a grain and fertiliser store, workshop and enclosed sprayer loading area.

APPLICANT(S): Mr Martin Boynton
GRID REF: OS 358633, 222424
APPLICATION TYPE: Planning Permission
COMMENTS: *There were no objections to the application.*

APPLICATION NO & SITE ADDRESS: 173770 - Flaxley House, Walford, Ross-On-Wye, HR9 5SB
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APPLICANT(S): Mr N Robinson
GRID REF: OS 358864, 220577
APPLICATION TYPE: Listed Building Consent
COMMENTS: *There were no objections to the application.*

APPLICATION NO & SITE ADDRESS: 173615 - 2 Hillview Villas, Coughton, Ross-On-Wye, HR9 5SE
DESCRIPTION: Proposed pull in/parking bay and adjoining driveway to provide access to land at the rear of the property.

APPLICANT(S): Mr & Mrs L Hunt
GRID REF: OS 359717, 221310
APPLICATION TYPE: Full Householder
COMMENTS: *There were no objections to the application*

APPLICATION NO & SITE ADDRESS: Planning Consultation - 173845 - High Ridge, Walford, Ross-On-Wye, HR9 5RJ
DESCRIPTION: Proposed extension and external alterations, proposed new garage and demolition of existing garage and erection of holiday annexe

APPLICANT(S): Dr W Thomas
GRID REF: OS 358793, 219709
APPLICATION TYPE: Planning Permission
COMMENTS: *In principle there were no objections, but the council was concerned by the lack of visual impact assessment.*

APPLICATION NO & SITE ADDRESS: 173767 - Land at Courtfield Farm, Welsh Bicknor, Ross on Wye, Herefordshire
DESCRIPTION: Proposed 20m High Swann Column A painted brown on new concrete base and associated works.

APPLICANT(S): EE Ltd & Hutchinson 3G Uk Ltd
GRID REF: OS 358978, 218153

APPLICATION TYPE:
COMMENTS:

Electricity Prior Approval
The Council was in favour, but asked that consideration be given to using a mast that looks like a tree.

Catherine Murray

Parish Clerk 05.01.18

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APPENDIX C: CORRESPONDENCE – Meeting on 10.01.18

At Walford Village Hall

If Councillors want a copy of any documentation, please ask the Clerk.

Items marked with ** may be of particular interest

GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE:

- **THERMOTOR:** Supplier of Speed indicating devices – letter of introduction.
- **Nest Pensions:** Letter of introduction and Login information for Clerk's pension scheme.
- **Green Moon Landscapes:** Parish Councils Grounds maintenance / Landscaping projects, letter of introduction.
- **Pensions Regulator:** Notice of minimum pension contributions increase in April 2018.
- Freedom of Information requests from S. Kinder and R. Jackson. (Responded to)
- E mails from S. Kinder and R. Jackson regarding the draft minutes (Responded to)
- Okells Francis Law Solicitors: Amended transfer document for Kerne Bridge Canoe Launch Site, correcting Herefordshire Council's discrepancy. (Agenda item)
- DM Payroll Services – Data Protection Regulations, letter of introduction to their services.
- E mails from users of Kerne Bridge Canoe Launch Site enquiring about parking charges. (Responded to)
- Invitation to WPD's Annual Stakeholder Workshop (with lunch) to discuss WPD'S BUSINESS PLANS, LONG-TERM PRIORITIES & BUILDING ELECTRICITY NETWORKS FOR THE FUTURE. (Ask Clerk for timetable)
- E mail from Mrs Newbert and Bob Puzey regarding the draft minutes. (Responded to)
- Enquiries from 2 parish residents regarding works carried out at Wellhead Cottage, Howle Hill. (Responded to)
Scott Low the Planning Enforcement Officer has closed the case.
- **Bishopswood Village Hall:** E mail from Bob Puzey: Week commencing 22nd January 2018 is the ACRE and ACRE Networks first "Village Hall Week. (See Events in Clerk's Report)
- E mail from Canoe The Wye, Proactive Adventure and School Camp regarding invoicing for Kerne Bridge Canoe Launch. (Responded to)
- 2 e mails from Mr Jerome Vaughan regarding his offer relating to Kerne Bridge Canoe Launch Site. (Responded to)
- Enquiry from Mrs Wheeler regarding the forthcoming election on 11th January. (Responded to)
- E mail from S. Kinder requesting a response to enquiries made at the last meeting regarding KBCL. (Clerk is responding)
- E mail from Mr Dinnik regarding his interest in the land at The Dam: *'At present it is basically a large hole. If allowed to I would fill it in, level it off and use as additional parking for one/two cars. I have limited access to my property when I have any deliveries and have had to ask neighbours to park. The rest would be landscaped to make it look more appealing.'*
- E mail from Andrew Tubb – CEO of Cirencester Town Council – seconded to NALC. (Having been contacted by Mr R. Jackson and responded to him, cc'd to the Clerk) *'From what I have seen and read you are an exemplar parish and should be personally very proud of all that you and your council are doing. All the very best and every happiness for 2018.'*
- E mail from Okells Francis Law: *'I have now received the draft transfer document from Herefordshire Council in order to correct the discrepancy on the title. I will be putting this in the post to you in the course of the next day or so in order that you can arrange please for the document to be signed on behalf of the parish council.'*
- Several donations towards the Community Support Scheme, following the event at Lower Wythall.
- Enquiries from parishioners regarding the supply of salt bins on Cherry Tree Lane. (Cllr Cole has dealt with it)
- Offer from Cllr Drummond to help with any issues relating to the snow.
- E mail from Biddlestone Parish Council (With attached letter): *'You should be aware of a series of planning applications under number P173774/F at Biddlestone Orchards near Llangarron. This is an agricultural development that is of an industrial scale and is probably the single biggest application by area ever submitted in Herefordshire. It proposes to cover approximately eighty acres of our countryside in Polytunnels and in addition it proposes to build accommodation for up to 240 itinerant migrant workers. This is a completely new Polytunnel site that will be visible for miles from high spots around Herefordshire.'* They ask other local PCs to send any concerns to Herefordshire Council.
- E mail from Rick Thompson BT Payphones: Ref the BT phone kiosk at Kerne Bridge: 'We do occasionally allow adoption of modern style kiosks in rural areas and where the intended use for the

kiosk is to house a defibrillator. Should this be what you had in mind/still wish to adopt it, please let us know. '

- E mail from Mr R Jackson requesting the Appendices for the PC meeting. (All Appendices are posted on the website.)
- Offer of help with the Neighbourhood Plan from Mr Dowgill. (Forwarded to NDP Group Chair)
- Notification of external auditor appointments for the 2017-18 financial year.
- E mails relating to arranging a meeting at Forest Green with Mr Dowgill, to discuss the felling of the Oak Tree.
- E mail from Tessa Blethyn: '*Just wanted to let you know that we have repaired the parish notice board in Hom Green (as seen in the photo attached) and will look to do some more renovation in the form of some wood preservative too. If this is on someone's job list then it can be crossed out.*' (Thanks have been expressed by the clerk).
- E mail enquiry from Mr Pegg regarding generator noise from Home Farm (Bishopswood Hill) cc'd by Cllr Carlson. (The matter has been dealt with – thanks to Cllr Carlson)
- E mail from Cllr Freeman requesting information on agenda items for KBCL for the meeting on 22/11/17. (Responded to)

AONB & HWT:

- Herefordshire Wildlife Trust's programme of events taking place during November 2017.

LENGTHSMAN: *Any reports have been passed on to the Lengthsman Co-ordinator – See Clerk's Report.*

- Work needing to be done is included on Clerks report, or will be raised at the meeting.

HIGHWAYS: (See Clerk's report for defects)

- Balfour Beatty Newsletter.
- Parish Briefing Notes.

RIGHTS OF WAY: *Any reports have been passed to Rights of Way Officer - See Appendix D.*

- Work needing to be done is included on Clerks report, or will be raised at the meeting.

POLICE: None

WARD COUNCILLOR / MP:

- Info on HARC events. (Included in Clerk's report)
- Copy of The Black Bridge Newsletter: '*Residents & walkers will be aware that since the Lydbrook Black Bridge (aka Stowfield Viaduct) was closed in March 2016, a steering group has been set up with one aim: to **Reopen a crossing at Stowfield**. Ideally this would involve the historic Black Bridge, but if not – another way will need to be found. Our vision to 'Reopen a crossing at Stowfield' will only succeed with the backing of the community. At this stage we hope you will all get behind the Heritage Lottery Fund bid. Thank you for your support and please get in touch through our Facebook page or speak to one on the steering group if you would like to help.*'
- Marches Growth Hub Events 17-18.

HALC / NALC:

- ****Information corner.** (Sent to all Councillors with meeting paperwork)

HEREFORDSHIRE COUNCIL:

- All Localities Stewards weekly reports since last meeting. (Ask the Clerk if you want copies)
- Weekly lists of planning applications received and decisions made since the last meeting.
- Letter from Scott Low, Planning Enforcement Officer at Herefordshire Council regarding the works carried out at the entrance to the canoe launch site at Kerne Bridge.
- Letter from Scott Low, Planning Enforcement Officer regarding Wellhead Cottage: '*The matter regarding works at this location have been investigated and the case is now closed. For clarity, after discussion with Mark Tansley although the site owner refused to submit a retrospective application for the works undertaken to the access track, it was not considered expedient to pursue an application as the works were deemed acceptable. The cottage has not been extended as alleged and the restoration works undertaken were deemed repair/maintenance and therefore do not require planning permission.*'
- Neighbourhood Planning Newsletter.
- Following the recent extreme weather it has come to our attention that there are several rumours circulating regarding gritting routes, responsibilities/liabilities and use of grit from grit bins. Herefordshire Council has identified priority and secondary routes across the county covering almost 600 miles of our roads. These can be found using the following link:
https://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/info/200196/roads/232/winter_gritting_routes/2
- **E mail and letter from Scott Low (Planning Enforcement Officer) TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 (AS AMENDED). RE: ALLEGED UNAUTHORISED WORKS: CREATION**

OF UNAUTHORISED ACCESS ONTO CLASSIFIED ROAD AT LAND AT KERNE BRIDGE PICNIC SITE, SOUTH OF BISHOPSWOOD VILLAGE HALL, KERNE BRIDGE, ROSS-ON-WYE, HEREFORDSHIRE, HR9 5QX: *'I refer to the above and my visit today where I met both yourself and Frank Myers (and Shane Carlson) on site. Having discussed the above matter further with Jill Tookey-Williams (Council Highways Engineer), I am therefore now of the opinion that the access created is not directly onto the classified road (B4234) and therefore these works constitute 'permitted development' under Schedule 2, Part 12, Class A of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development)(England) Order 2015.'* (Letter has been posted on the website)

- Several communications and notices from the Electoral Services Office about the election on 11th January.
- Response from Ray Wallace Senior Engineer (Network Regulation) to Mr R. Jackson's request for a traffic mirror at Leys Hill junction.(The Clerk has contacted Herefordshire Council about this issue)

PARISH LIAISON OFFICER: (Anthony Bush)

- Guidance on how to respond to licensing applications. This guidance has been developed after requests from a number of interested parties.
- **HARC Information:** Newsletter / Course & exhibitions leaflet Jan – Jun 2018 / Wassailing – 13th January / Investigating Family & Local History through Parish Records – 15th January
- List of Lottery investment into Herefordshire in the 9 months up to Sept 2017; Herefordshire organisations have received 53 grants with a total value of £3,389,286 during this period. This funding comes from all of the Lottery distributors, so includes everything from the Arts to Sports. Please visit our website initially for further information - Website: <https://herefordfundingupdate.wordpress.com/>

MAGAZINES, BROCHURES AND PROMOTIONAL MATERIAL:

- Came and Company Parish Council Insurance: Christmas Newsletter
- Bishopswood Preview.
- SLCC Clerks magazine and News Bulletin.
- Clerks and Councils Direct magazine
- Herefordshire Rural Hub Newsletter.

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APPENDIX D: CLERKS REPORT

Meeting on 10.01.18 at Walford Village Hall

If Councillors want further clarification, please ask the Clerk.

HIGHWAYS:

Ross Locality Inspectors Reports: Please ask the Clerk if you want to receive copies.

Local Defect Reports:

The parlous state of the roads has been reported to the Localities Steward.

Enquiries about the work done outside Walford Church has been sent to the Localities Steward, who is making enquiries with Balfour Beatty.

Herefordshire Council has identified priority and secondary routes across the county covering almost 600 miles of our roads. These can be found using the following link:

https://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/info/200196/roads/232/winter_gritting_routes/2

We monitor the weather forecast constantly and where road temperatures are forecast to be below freezing we grit to ensure maximum efficacy and prevent ice forming on the roads wherever possible, having to prioritise key routes before we are able to service secondary routes. Obviously, we have to take into account the likelihood of rain and snow in assessing the frequency of gritting and the level of grit applied. In addition to this, we also use snow contractors around the county, usually local farmers with access to tractors with ploughs attached to clear the more rural roads during heavy snowfall. Given the extreme nature of the weather, we have had to use all available resource to concentrate on the A roads and other priority routes. We understand the frustrations that we are unable to grit all roads but we work to ensure the safety of the general public and so we have to prioritise where our resources will be most effective.

With regards to salt provided in grit bins, this can be spread by anyone who is able and does not have to be a Balfour Beatty employee. However, the grit provided in the grit bins is for use only on public roads and footways and not for use on private driveways. Spreading this grit does not mean that the person undertaking the spreading is liable if anyone then has an accident, neither does clearing the path outside your property.

RESURFACING WORKS:

Due to the recent adverse weather, two of our patching jobs have been postponed, as follows:

C1175 Coddington Cross

Wednesday, 3 January 2018 and Thursday, 4 January 2018 [Note, originally planned for 11 & 12 December 2017] Day time road closure between 09.00 hours and 16.45 hours

Please note that the road will re-open at 16.45 hours each evening

B4222 Aston Ingham

Monday, 8 January 2018 to (and including) Wednesday, 10 January 2018 [Note, originally planned for 13 to 15 December 2017]

Day time road closure between 09.00 hours and 16.45 hours

Please note that the road will re-open at 16.45 hours each evening

Herefordshire Council website is the one-stop-shop for up to date information

Maps and timetables for grass cutting and pot holes are now available on the Council's website.

<https://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/grass-cutting>

<https://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/transport-and-highways/maintenance/potholes>

Over time more information, such as planned road resurfacing, will be added.

LENGTHSMAN: Any relevant reports have been sent to Councillor and Cole.

An update will be given at the meeting on work carried out.

RIGHTS OF WAY: Any relevant reports have been forwarded to Councillor Evans.

- Report of a blocked gate on WA3. (Agenda item)

FOREST GREEN: A meeting has been held on site with Mr Dowgill, who wrote to the PC regarding the felling of the Oak Tree. A summary of the meeting will be issued.

KERNE BRIDGE CANOE LAUNCH SITE: The Management Agreement is close to being finalised and it will be presented to WPC for consideration and approval.

DAYCROFT LANE: No further information.

VACANCY ON WALFORD PARISH COUNCIL:

The Election is contested and will take place on 11th January 2018. The polling station is Walford Village Hall.

EVENTS:

- **WPD'S BUSINESS PLANS, LONG-TERM PRIORITIES & BUILDING ELECTRICITY NETWORKS FOR THE FUTURE.** Your feedback will be invaluable to help shape our thinking on a number of long-term, strategic challenges facing electricity networks. As you may be aware, WPD is currently part-way through its current business plan period (RIIO-ED1), which runs until 2023. The workshops will provide an opportunity for you to critically evaluate how we are performing, as well as to tell us your priorities for the future, including the next business plan period (RIIO-ED2).
- **HARC Course & exhibitions leaflet Jan – Jun 2018** / Wassailing – 13th January / Investigating Family & Local History through Parish Records – 15th January. Do please get in touch to book places. There will be more craft workshops this year too – more information soon. And, as ever, please feel free to forward this message to others who may be interested. Thank you. HARC (Herefordshire Archive and Records Centre) Fir Tree Lane, Rotherwas, Hereford HR2 6LA 01432 260750 archives@herefordshire.gov.uk
- **Bishopswood Village Hall:** Week commencing 22nd January 2018 is the ACRE and ACRE Networks first “Village Hall Week” - This will be the first ever week long, England wide celebration of village halls and other community buildings that are the hubs at the heart of so many rural communities. More information about “Village Hall Week” is available via this link: <http://acre.org.uk/blog/2017-12-14-villagehallsweek-2018>. This is an ideal opportunity to celebrate all that happens at your local hall and thank the volunteers and organisations that make the hall a fantastic community asset. The hall is currently available on Saturday 27th of January so, we are planning on holding an “open day” with refreshments – exact details to be confirmed. We need your help to run a stall, put on demonstrations, and provide information to the public. This is a great opportunity to showcase your classes, clubs and activities to the local community and wider afield.
- **St Michael's Hospice: The Big Spring Walk 2018 Sunday 18th March Fownhope Recreation Ground, Hereford HR1 4PJ From 9am onwards.** Take one of the most beautiful times of the year, and the picturesque backdrop of the undulating Herefordshire countryside. Combine the two and you have the St Michael's Hospice Big Spring Walk. Whether you're looking for a challenging woodland walk or a more leisurely stroll beside the River Wye, there is a walk for you, your friends and family, and maybe even your dog. Choose between 2K, 5K, 11K and 16K routes starting and finishing at Fownhope Recreation Ground. All routes will be fully signposted, and our team of marshals will be positioned along the path ready to help you on your way. Dogs on leads welcome for the 5K, 11K and 16K walks only. For further information or to register, please call the Events Team on 01432 851 000 or go to our website: <http://www.st-michaels-hospice.org.uk/big-spring-walk/>
