

Hawkesbury Parish Council



**Minutes of Hawkesbury Parish Council Meeting
Held on Tuesday 20th August 2013 at 7.30pm
In the upstairs meeting room at Hawkesbury Parish Hall**

Present:

Cllr Bleaken (Chair), Cllr Cox, Cllr Robinson, Cllr Hope, Cllr Winbow, and H Jones (Parish Clerk)

Apologies

Cllr Ruthven, Cllr Isaac, Cllr Frankcom and Cllr Musty

Public Participation

Mr Mark Fletcher-Re Planning Application

Action

Accept apologies for Absence

Cllr Ruthven, Cllr Isaac, Cllr Frankcom and Cllr Musty

1 To record declaration of interest from members in any item to be discussed.

None

2 To adjourn to allow public participation.

Mr Fletcher introduced himself to the Parish Council and explained that he had brought with him large copies of the plans and also a comment book which he could leave with the Parish Council if they wished.

Mr Fletcher provided the Parish Council with back ground planning history and what improvements have been taken into consideration; lowering the ridge height; unit 3 is detached; in keeping with the main unit. All the Councillors at the meeting had previously looked at the planning application.

Concerns were raised regarding the access, young children race down this part of the road on their scooters; this is already used for access and also when Andrew Davey repairs were carried out from this unit previously there were deliveries and cars using this regularly.

Two questions were raised

1. Does the village need 3 more houses?
2. Does this area need tidying up?

Cllr Bleaken thanked Mr Fletcher for his presentation and he could stay at the

meeting whilst it was discussed by the Parish Council. Mr Fletcher stayed to answer any questions that may arise.

The Planning application was subsequently reviewed by the Parish Council Cllr Robinson discussed the external materials-Mr Fletcher advised they would reuse as much of the existing material as possible, although some may be contaminated and therefore the quantity will be unknown.

The Brick work shown on the plans is already in the Conservation Area. It is a shame to lose natural stone can the Parish Council ensures natural stone is used, it will enhance the scene?
The metal frame windows-the Conservation officer/planning Officer suggested these frames to be used.

It was agreed that something needs to be done with this unit in question.

Mr Fletcher explained that the preplanning application tries to look at the value of the land what is going to fit, not too much or too little. In 2007 five single units were on the application.

They have spoken to Highways regarding access.

With regards to the drive way and using bitumen a comment was raised by the Environmental department. The existing does need replacing.

The electrical substation unit is being moved concerns were raised by the electro magnetism as bedrooms will be next to it. There will be distance between the substation and the living area.

The Parish Council has no objection, it meets the smaller housing needs however there is concerns with the access, brickwork and window frames. The PC would like to see natural stone on the key walls. Also, the driveway they would like to see a sensitive treatment rather than tarmac but would not like to see pea gravel.

3 3.1 Planning Application

PK13/2679/CA	The Works Hawkesbury Upton	Demolition of industrial building
PK13/2676/F		Demolition of industrial building to facilitate the erection of 3no. dwellings with access and associated works
<p>The Parish Council generally support this application although there are concerns with the entrance and ingress; is there any way to make it safer? The aluminium window frames and cedar cladding are not in keeping with our conservation area. Use natural stone on the walls that is visible from the High Street. The bitumen driveway - please consider a more natural paving.</p>		

4 Councillor's items

4.1 Engraving Cllr Winbow

Mr Deaken provided a few samples and styles of lettering for new signs for places of interest in Hawkesbury Upton. It was put to the vote and all agreed the Aerial design and to use oak. Cllr Winbow to come back with the cost to provide new signs for the Pool, Pound and Plain. Cllr Bleaken mentioned Inglestone Common finger post sign half way up Cold Change Hill is in a bad state of repair and also spelt wrongly.

4.2 outstanding Streetcare issues

- Drain outside Greenbury House
- The hedgerow by the Monument is quite dangerous-Clerk to contact Badminton Estate
- 40mph speed limit sign still not replaced.
- Pot holes in pull ins on Chase Lane not filled by Gloucestershire Council

Grass Cutting

Mr Jones grass cutting is looking good.

The field was rolled by Mr Sauro, Mr Rispen and Mr Fozzard

Agreed Mr Jones and Mr Drew to cut grass as per meeting within budget.

This was noted

Sportive Bike event

Bikes coming through the village some were polite and others were very quiet, at times 4-5 wide, there were no real issues with the event riding through the village.

The signs helped, made people more aware over 700 bikes came through

This was noted

Finance

The Parish Clerk is without a cheque book to pay the bills received, Clerk to place them on the agenda for September.

This was noted

- 5 Date of the next Parish Council meeting will be held on Monday 2nd September 2013 in the upstairs meeting room at Hawkesbury Parish Hall at 7.30pm.**