

**Minutes of a Meeting of the Planning Committee  
held online commencing at 7.00pm on 24 November 2020**

**Present:** Cllrs Brown (Chair), Dean, Francis, Greenwood, Mignot, Moore and Toher

**In Attendance:** Mr D Wheal (Clerk to Bishopstoke Parish Council)  
Mrs S Thorogood (RFO to Bishopstoke Parish Council)

**Public Attendance:** 0 members of the public were present

**PLAN\_2021\_M09/**

**Public Session**

**74 Apologies for Absence**

74.1 All Councillors were present.

**75 To adopt as a true record, and sign, the Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 10 November 2020**

75.1 The Minutes of the above meeting had been circulated prior to the meeting.

75.2 Proposed Cllr Toher, Seconded Cllr Greenwood, **RESOLVED** unanimously that the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 10 November 2020 be adopted as a true record.

**76 To consider Matters Arising from the above Minutes not covered elsewhere on the agenda**

76.1 There were no matters arising.

**77 Declarations of Interest and Requests for Dispensations**

77.1 There were no declarations or requests.

**78 Consideration of Planning Applications**

78.1 T/20/88978 – St Paul’s Church– 1 Oak (T1) Reduce southern lateral canopy by 2 - 2.5m. Reduce height by 1m and shape into southern lateral canopy. Crown lift to 3m over church land; 1 Oak (T2) Reduce southern lateral canopy by up to 1m and shape – The Committee agreed to Raise No Objection to the application, but wished to add a comment questioning whether the removal of shade would in itself lead to the outside area being less usable in future.

78.2 T/20/89000 – Bishopstoke Manor – 1 Ginkgo Biloba (T1) - Reduce by approx 6 metres to roof height and shape to tidy. Insert a root barrier; 1 Sorbus aria (T2) - All around crown reduction by 2 metres and insert a root barrier – The Committee agreed to Raise No Objection to the application, but wished comment that they were disappointed there appeared to be no supporting evidence from tree specialists to back up the claims of subsidence.

78.3 No applications had arrived following the publication of the agenda.

**79 Report on recent planning decisions**

79.1 The report on recent planning decisions had been circulated with the supporting documents and was noted by the Committee. It is included in the minutes as Appendix A.

**80 To receive the Clerk's Report**

80.1 The Clerk's report had been circulated with the supporting documents and was noted by the Committee. It is included in the minutes as Appendix B.

80.2 Cllr Toher questioned the Borough's response to Committee comments on the Environment Agency application at Shear's Mill. The Clerk noted that, as the application only mentions a walkway rather than specifically applies for permission to construct one, the application was considered to only relate to trees.

**81 Date, time, place and agenda items for next meeting**

81.1 The next scheduled meeting is on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> December at 7:00pm. Any agenda items for the meeting should be submitted in writing to the Clerk by Monday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2020.

**82 Motion for Confidential Business**

82.1 Proposed Cllr Brown, Seconded Cllr Toher, **RESOLVED** unanimously that in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be discussed relating to possible breaches of planning regulation it is advisable in the public interest that the public be excluded and for the record the business be regarded as confidential.

**83 Reported Breaches of Development Control (Confidential Business)**

83.1 The report on alleged breaches of development control had been included with the supporting documents for Councillors. It was noted by the Committee.

*There being no further business, the Chair closed the meeting at 7.13pm*

Chair's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Clerk's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



## Planning Planning Decisions report 24 November 2020

### Recent Planning Decisions

**H/20/88729** – 2 Stoke Park Road – Roof extension including a side facing dormer.

**Planning Committee Decision:** The Committee raised no objection to the application.

**Borough Council Decision:** Permit

**NC/20/88885** – Land adjacent 79 Bishopstoke Road – 3 no. Sycamore (T1 T2 and T4) - coppice.

**Planning Committee Decision:** Object. The Committee were concerned that the proposed tree work would cause many problems. Specifically that it would give access to the rear and roof of Shears Mill to anyone wishing to engage in anti-social activities; that it appeared this tree work was more accurately described as “felling” than “coppicing”; that there appears to be no justification for the proposed walkway included with the application; that the removal of these trees would lead to problems with the river bank itself and that the streetscene would be ruined, with large gaps appearing in the previously solid treeline. For those reasons the Committee agreed to object to the application and request that TPOs be placed upon the trees concerned. The Committee also wish to request sight of any Environmental Agency report that justifies the need for the walkway and therefore the tree work

**Borough Council Decision:** Raise no objection



## Planning Clerk's report 24 November 2020

### Clerk's Report

#### Matters Arising:

**PLAN\_2021\_M08/65.1** Regarding the Borough response to potential damage to TPO trees  
The Committee's comments were passed on to the specialist responsible for this application on 13<sup>th</sup> November along with a request to then pass them to enforcement.

**PLAN\_2021\_M08/65.2** Regarding inviting a Borough tree officer to attend a future meeting  
On 13<sup>th</sup> November I contacted one of the Borough's tree specialists to ascertain whether anyone would be available to attend a meeting to help the Committee understand the process of how to apply for a TPO on a tree, and also how this relates to potential work done on trees in Conservation areas.

**PLAN\_2021\_M08/70.2** Regarding the airport expansion application  
As of 13<sup>th</sup> November, I am still waiting for the invitation to attend. I believe these are only issued a week or so before the meeting itself, which is still not listed on the EBC website, and so I will continue to wait.

**PLAN\_2021\_M08/70.3** Regarding Junction 9 of the M3  
A link to the full report on the Environmental Impact Assessment was forwarded to all Councillors on 13<sup>th</sup> November.

#### Other Matters:

**Shears Mill** I have contacted the tree officer dealing with the application from the Environment Agency. As the application is regarding tree work only, the officer was only able to consider it on its own merits, and as the trees are "not worthy of further protection" (in other words a TPO) he has had no choice but to raise no objection to the application. As the Borough is not allowed to give out contact details of applicants I have written to the applicant directly to pass on the Committee's concerns and request for information.

There were no other matters to report on at the time this report was written.