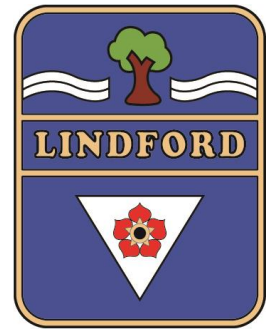


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LINDFORD PARISH COUNCIL at Lindford Village Hall on Tuesday 2nd February 2021 at 7pm via MS Team video conferencing.

Agenda dated. 22/01/2021 (Rev. 2)

Present: Cllrs Gerry Biddiscombe (Chair), Derek Barr (Vice Chair), Neville Taylor, Simon Banks van Zyl, Diana Garnade, Stanley Bennett, Hannah Dayman & Emma Keeling.

Attendees: Tanya Hampshire (RFO), Cllr Adam Carew & Stephen Holden (Clerk)

015/21 Apologies Cllr George Watt

016/21 Declaration of interests **Cllrs S Bennett & N Taylor previously excluded themselves from LPC Planning Application Proposal 1. No other interests noted.

017/21 Planning See attachment for list of applications from last meeting that have now closed. No objections raised.

Proposal 1: Two detached dwellings, detached garage, additional vehicular access, following demolition of outbuildings.

Site Address: Yew Tree Cottage, Canes Lane, Lindford, Bordon, GU35 0RP

Case No: 34350/004 **Land Parcel Reference No:** 46620 Closing date 03/02/2021

Note ** above. Cllrs have several concerns regarding this application including the access route of Canes Lane which is a link to the Bordon Inclosure and Shipwrights Way. The road is a RoW and unadopted with unknown ownership. The road surface is in poor condition and relatively narrow. The road is used by articulated Thames Water lorries with no passing places. The proposed location of the houses will we believe be seen from the river crossing although currently hidden by pile of timber. There are concerns regarding sewage provisions and risk of flooding in the vicinity. Lindford PC **OBJECT** to this application on these grounds and also over development of Lindford. Also noted that although not a listed building member could say the site is part of Lindford's heritage and its part of our village's local distinction. Moving forward LPC could gather information and form a list of houses etc. that are worth retaining which could then possibly be listed if owners agree.

Proposal 2: Lawful Development Certificate an Existing Use - To confirm the continued use of the building and its curtilage as a residential dwelling.

Site Address: Lindford Bridge House, Lindford Road, Bordon, GU35 0NX

Case No: 54842/003 **Land Parcel Reference No:** 46725 **Closing date** 22/02/2021

Cllrs noted this and with location in Whitehill & Bordon shall monitor progress.

Proposal 3: Detached dwelling

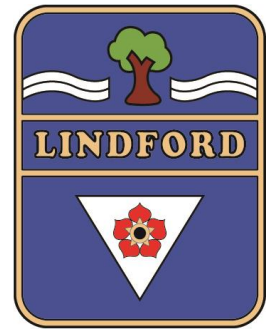
Site Address: 13 Heather Drive, Lindford, Bordon, GU35 0RN

Case No: 21006/006 **Land Parcel Reference No:** 46278 Closing date 23/02/2021

This application has been submitted to Cllrs for review. Concerns about infill building and number of new houses being built or proposed for this part of Lindford. The block of garages are not currently being used for parking and area of the block in poor state of repair. Concerns therefore extra vehicle parking along the already crowded Chase Road. Cllrs to further review application and submit to the Clerk.

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- 018/21** **Agree and sign minutes** from LPC Meeting 03/11/2020 (No meeting in December or January 21 due to Covid-19 restrictions on gatherings. Councillors confirmed receipt and proposed by Cllr D Garnade, with Cllr H Dayman seconding. Show of hands, unanimously accepted. Chairman to sign and return to Clerk.

Note: Cllrs G Biddiscombe lost MS Teams for several minutes with Cllr D Barr acting as chair during this period.

- 019/21** **Public Discussions:** None submitted

- 020/21** **Updates from District & County Councillors:**

County Cllr Adam Carew updated as follows:
District Elections are still scheduled for May 2021. With the current Covid restrictions hand delivery of manifesto documents and door to door canvassing is not permitted. Communications reliant to being on-line. Cllrs thought this was unworkable and that elections should be delayed until later in the year. Concerns that people, especially the elderly, will be disenfranchised if no access to IT.

Reported that due to Covid lock down activities have been reduced.

The County Audit has been completed by the external auditors with no negative comments. By 2022/23 there remains concerns that unless Central Government increase funding the finances shall be under pressure with risk of further savings being required. However, the County have been prudent financially and do hold reserves which could ease the situation.

Report on poor public transport services for Whitehill, Bordon & Lindford issued. Public survey results received were mostly critical of public transport services. A copy of the report has been requested.

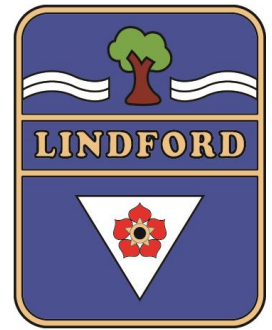
Requests that members submit comments regarding the proposed green loop as soon as possible.

Update on development at BOSC regarding significant number of trees to be felled, however campaigning has resulted in dramatic reduction.

Advised that the major highway changes in Whitehill & Bordon will be taking place especially around the top of Chalet Hill. Cllrs concerned that the turning lane at Tesco's is to be removed. This will inevitably cause further disruption and delays to traffic flow. Reasoning behind this is to slow traffic and encourage more vehicles to use the relief road. Clerk asked if there was an update on proposals for the junction at the Old Fire Station crossroads. Cllr Carew said this was still under review and urged LPC to submit their concerns to Highways as soon as possible.

Further housing being considered for the old swimming pool site in Bordon. These have limited parking spaces so more parking and congestion issues. Cllrs

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commented that the selling point of Whitehill & Bordon being a 'healthy green town' does not sit well with the extra development.

Great concern remains about the situation regarding Chase Hospital & proposed new health hub in the town centre. Noted proposed Health Hub will be 5 floors high and sitting in a dip. Top floors to be sold for housing or flats to help pay for the investment. Also updated on the agreement for provision of a Care Home. This was to provide beds for local residents. The facility that had been provided closed around Christmas time. There were also discussions regarding funding for Chase Hospital. Cllr Ferris Cowper when in post had committed to this. The Chase Charter was discussed. Based upon predicted growth and detailing the services that were required. It was stated previously by Cllr Ferris Cowper that the provision of the services within the Chase Charter would be incorporated within the new Health Hub. CCG were asked to provide an update as nothing has been received recently on progress. Response from CCG no developments so now escalated via HASC committee.

Local District Plan details provision of further housing in Whitehill & Bordon. Impact of roads and facilities will result and also take the number of houses agreed to exceed the upper limit of 4000 agreed by Natural England. Members all expressed grave concerns on the impact on Lindford especially the Thames Water Treatment Works and number of heavy articulated lorries visiting the site and traffic routing to the A3.

Standford Grange Farm in Headley Parish is being proposed by Hampshire CC for further development despite previous reassurance it would not be developed. Members concerned that this will further erode the 'Gap' between Parishes.

Cllrs discussed the issue with Lindford already being the highest density of housing of any village in NE Hampshire if not Hampshire. Members of LPC agreed that there must be high level engagement with EHDC, HCC and developers to consider the implications on the Parish. Lobbying agreed to this effect to be high priority for Cllrs who want to protect the village to keep its rural nature. Loss of any 'gap' between Lindford and neighbouring Parishes shall be strongly resisted.

At this point Cllr G Biddiscombe resumed as Chair and advised he had been listening to Cllr A Carew's update and thanked him for this.

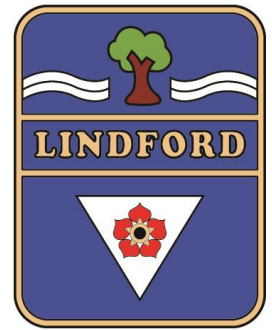
Grant money still available until end of March if LPC have any qualifying projects pending.

Update from District Cllr N Taylor:

Thanked Adam for his update which covered most of the information to be reported. The additional items discussed.

Reported involvement is campaigning against the mass felling of trees around the BOSC development.

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Private Members Bill going through regarding overflow of sewerage into rivers, Cllr has submitted comments on this. Also, coverage due in this week's Bordon Herald newspaper.

021/21 Finance and Accounts (RFO)

- a. To receive and approve Receipts & Payments report to end January 2021, **previously circulated.**
 - b. To receive and sign as approved, a list of payments made during November, December & January, **previously circulated.**
 - c. To receive and approve the bank statements and corresponding bank reconciliations at December 31st 2020, **previously circulated.**
 - d. To receive the external audit report and note any recommendations contained in it.
- Cllrs confirmed prior receipt and Chairman asked for items a, b & c to be taken together. Proposed by Cllr G Biddiscombe and seconded by Cllr D Barr. Show of hands. Approved.

Cllrs confirmed receipt of external audit report.

022/21 Parish Clerk Update

Noted VH activities reduced due to current lockdown restrictions. The Beehive are permitted to remain open and seeing variable number of attendees. Clerk advised the Christmas Zoom sessions to parents was well received. Also, confirmation that thorough clean downs and compliance being well maintained.

There has been instances of damage to the hall and anti-social behaviour outside. CCTV records were viewed. Cllr A Carew suggested we talk to Curtis Bone on subject of CCTV being used at the Community Centre that is of a quality admissible to the courts. Grant funding may be possible to help.

The Parish Office now has a rapid scanner to enable documents to be scanned and stored rather than retaining hardcopy records that take up space. Clerk & RFO to establish good working practice on this.

Three rainwater collection barrels have now been damaged. It is possible if this continues that two of the barrels might need to be relocated.

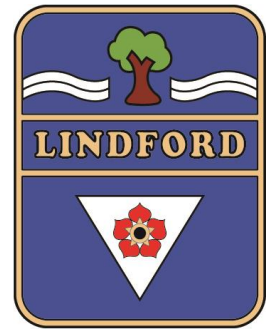
It has been reported that a dual-purpose waste bin located near the allotments is unserviceable due to corrosion of the sliding lid. We have approached EHDC who can supply and fit replacement for approx. £450-00. Members agreed to go ahead with this. The missing bin on Pear Tree Green is also now on order and to be installed by Imadene Gardens Ltd.

Clerk & Cllr N Taylor in discussion with EHDC over Christmas Lights and decorations whose funding may need further supporting evidence.

The boarding out of the loft is due to be done on Wednesday this week. This shall enable the storage of the Christmas decorations and archive records. Cllr D Barr asked for volunteers to help him move files.

EON Fit meter payment of £880-00 has been received. This was based on a 10 month period.

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Clerk confirmed that M I Bone Ltd have now replaced the PIR sensor for the two front door external lights. These shall help the quality of CCTV images.

023/21 Crayfish in River Wey

Further to request from Deadwater Valley Trust to help with £1600-00 funding for the removal of Crayfish. Cllrs expressed an interest in helping with a working party. However, in line with LPC decision grant funding is not currently available due to the uncertainty of income during the restrictions.

Cllr H Dayman raised the point that LPC was unable to offer grant help the CAB who reported an increase in need locally. If LPC were in a position in the future to help applicants maybe other causes were more worthy. Point noted.

024/21 Playground repairs and Covid compliance reports

Playground checks continue in place as appropriate. Cllr A Carew asked if the locations had adequate signage which was confirmed.

The missing footplate from the gym equipment has been replaced.

Cllrs agreed to continue with the closure of the playgrounds located on The Triangle and Chase development. Primary concerns supporting this being the enclosed nature with fencing and gates forming a pinch point for users and inability to wipe down the gates etc. Also, both locations known to attract gatherings of youths after dark contrary to the stay-at-home instruction from the Government.

In accordance with UK Gov the outdoor gym is closed. It is not possible to fence off so there are signs on each piece of equipment stating closed until further notice.

025/21 Website updates

Cllr H Dayman has been chasing the new provider and this week issued a link to the draft webpage. Chairman and members congratulated her on the work involved with Chairman saying it is 'brilliant'. Reported that despite slow start the new provider has been pro-active and helpful.

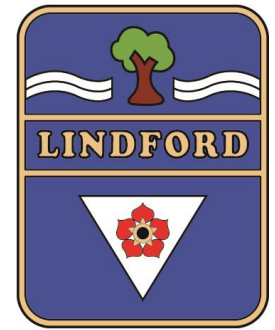
Members were asked to review the site and feedback any comments. Noted some minor changes required and outstanding need for photos for Cllr profiles.

Provider has offered training (approx. 1.5hrs) and it was agreed that Chairman, Clerk, RFO, Cllrs E Keeling and H Dayman receive training. Zoom weekday for office staff and weekends for others. Dates to be agreed. Video tutorials maybe available soon as an option.

Confirmed with members to go live with www.lindfordpc.org.uk

In addition to the website the Lindford Village Hall Facebook site was discussed. The site was originally constructed by Cllr S Banks van Zyl. Members agreed it should be owned by LPC. It was agreed to take down the existing site and

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replace with a LPC owned page. The Web & Facebook pages shall be linked together. Cllr H Dayman kindly agreed to format the new page. Members also agreed to look at Instagram.

026/21 Lindford Strategic Plan 2021 (10 mins)

Members approved the content of the Village Survey and agreed the release of the survey. Clerk to look at method to release but likely via Social Media.

The Lindford History document written by Cllr D Garnade was discussed and approved for public release. Cllr H Dayman to verify if already on new webpage or needs to be added. Agree release of Lindford History document drafted by Cllr D Garnade.

027/21 National Tree Planting scheme (10 mins)

Cllr N Taylor has agreed to support an environmental grant application for the support of tree planting.

Cllrs agreed to tree planting locations to include a section of Mimosa Green, The land behind Five Acres, around the Village Hall and Pear Tree Green.

Clerk has applied for saplings (FOC) from Woodland Trust. 115 saplings due to be delivered in the spring.

Members discussed and agreed unanimously to the siting of a replacement tree on The Triangle to replace one blown down several years ago. The tree is a memorial for Lindford girl Susanne Brown who died in a car accident. Species agreed as an English Oak.

With much interest on social media regarding trees it was hoped a working party of volunteers might be assembled for tree planting once COVID-19 restrictions lifted.

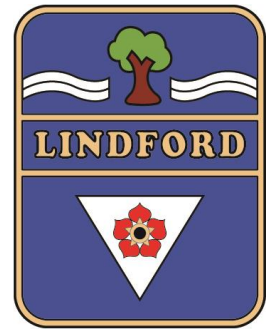
028/21 Green Loop

Members agreed there needs to be more information detailing the differences between the Green Loop Lindford section and proposed walking to school route. Members had been sent a copy of the walking to school draft Hampshire Countryside Service 'Lindford Link Route Plan' recently and were to read through and comment over the next few days. Clerk commented that the route was being promoted as open for walkers and cyclists. The proposed/existing stairs would cause problems for some disabled users of the route and needs to be reviewed. There is a walking for health group that includes wheelchair and buggy users.

029/21 Tree stock

LPC have tree audits carried out i.a.w legal and insurance company requirements. Often the audit will identify damage. With recent discussions on Tree Wardens and high costs to remove damaged tree crowns it is clear that the LPC owned trees need to have a more structured regime for pruning and keeping in check. RFO to verify what budget figure currently exists for this and members agreed to look again at funding such an initiative at next budget.

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030/21 Correspondence

Cllrs welcomed recent communication with Cllr A Tree from Whitehill & Bordon. There are areas of shared interest especially with the redevelopment of Whitehill & Bordon including health provision and transport problems. Whilst members agreed a good dialogue being important and to be maintained there was also the background history with the independence of Lindford PC being historically endorsed by a strong 89% in favour of forming our own Parish in 1979. Members did not feel that they can democratically alter the spirit of the decision by taking steps which might lead to the amalgamation with another organisation. Members were passionate of keeping Lindford independent. LPC shall contact Cllr A Tree to discuss further.

Meeting closed at 8-40pm.

Next MS Team meeting shall take place Tuesday 2nd March 2021 at 7-00pm

Attachment 1

Proposal 1: Loft conversion consisting of one small front flat roofed dormer and a large rear flat roofed dormer.

Site Address: Snowberry, 60 Liphook Road, Lindford, Bordon, GU35 0PN

Case No: 50564

Land Parcel Reference No: 45738 Closed 01/12/2020

Proposal 2: T1 - Oak -Reduce South side at 10-12m height, by 1-2m back to strong growth points. Crown thin by 10%.

T2 - Oak - Reduce South side by 1.5m leaving branch lengths of approx.. 6m.

Site Address: 6 Azalea Avenue, Lindford, Bordon, GU35 0YD

Case No: 50511/002

Land Parcel Reference No: 47490 Closed 24th December 2020

Proposal 3: Single storey rear extension and side extension and new boundary wall following demolition of existing sunroom

Site Address: 1 Privet Road, Lindford, Bordon, GU35 0YL

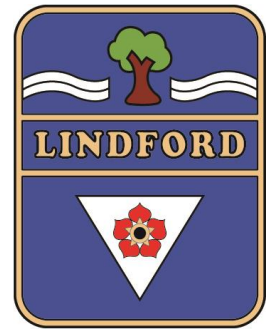
Case No: 49177/002

Land Parcel Reference No: 47322 Closed 15th December 2020

Proposal 4: Norway Spruce- fell to ground level

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Site Address: Moss Cottage, 22 Chapel Gardens, Lindford, Bordon, GU35 0TA

Case No: 51844/001

Land Parcel Reference No: 46785 Closed 14th December 2020

Proposal 5: Oak - reduce height by 4 metres leaving a finished height of 14 metres and a width by metres leaving a width of 8 metres

Site Address: 10 Coltsfoot Road, Lindford, Bordon, GU35 0YS

Case No: 34682/009 Closed 9th December 2020

Land Parcel Reference No: 47395

Proposal 6: T1 - Oak Quercus robur - Crown reduction to a final height of 5m with a horizontal radial canopy spread of 2.5 m

T2 - Oak Quercus robur - Crown reduction to a final height of 15m with a horizontal radial canopy spread of 7 m

T3 - Oak Quercus robur - Crown reduction to a final height of 14m with a horizontal radial canopy spread of 4m (remove dead wood more than 25mm diameter)

Tree works are to be carried out as detailed in the attached tree condition survey report 'J1315 TCS 20 Chapel Gardens.pdf'

Site Address: 20 Chapel Gardens, Lindford, Bordon, GU35 0TA

Case No: 56304/002 **Land Parcel Reference No:** 46453 **Closes** 18/01/2021

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