

## BRADFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Council meeting held on June 7th 2011

Present.

Mr A. House. Chairman  
Mrs K. Dearing.  
Mr P. Harrod.  
Dr P. Isherwood.  
Mr T. Wale.

Mr C.W.Goudge. Clerk.

There were eight members of the public present.

### **25. Apologies for absence.**

Mr Wyatt had presented an apology for absence.

### **26. Public Forum.**

*There are worries about the College development which is garden grabbing. It does not fit with the Village and is too close to the road. None of the properties are built for first time buyers.*

*For Dark Lane the development represents a serious increase in population. Two houses will overlook gardens.*

*The Village aspect coming in from Ashampstead Road will be ruined.*

*There could be asbestos in a house to be demolished and children could be running on to the road from the family house.*

The application is on the agenda for later in the meeting.

*Would like an update on the Plum Manger footpath issue.*

This is on the agenda for later in the meeting.

### **27. Minutes of the last meeting held on May 24th 2011.**

The minutes had been circulated were agreed as correct and signed by the Chairman.

### **28. Matters arising from the minutes of the last meetings not referred to elsewhere.**

Minute 10.

i Youth Shelter.

The graffiti is still a problem It was decided to urge WBC to have it removed.

ii Sovereign Housing.

WBC have not responded to a request for a joint meeting with Sovereign. Mr Webb will be asked to help.

**29. Planning.****Appeal decision.**

10/02435/HOUSE	Orchard farm, Tutts Clump. Extensions & residential use.	<b>Appeal Dismissed</b>
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**Decisions from the Planning Authority.**

11/00250/HOUSE	Great House Cottage, Back lane Extension.	<b>Approval</b>
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**New planning applications.**

11/00578/HOUSE	Birdcage Cottage, The Avenue. Conservatory demolition & new extension.	
11/00594/HOUSE	Oxford House, Rotten Row.	
11/00803/LBC	Extensions	
11/00646/HOUSE	17, The Laffords, Bradfield Southend. Extension.	
11/00673/HOUSE	Money Farm Cottage, Hungerford lane. Extension	
11/00798/HOUSE	8, Wayland Close, Bradfield. Garage conversion.	
11/00824/HOUSE	Steepwood, Tutts Clump. Outbuildings remake.	

**The Council had no objections to any of these applications.**

11/00733/FULMAJ	Land off Ashampstead Road, Bradfield. Ten new housing units.	
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**The Council objected to the application on grounds attached to these minutes.**

**Other matters.**

- i Waterworks Cottage.  
Enforcement have visited the site of the new garage and have expressed concerns which they will follow up.
- ii Nurses Bungalow.  
There has been no further information.

**30. Highways.****Matters arising from the minutes of the last meetings.**

## Minute 6.

- i White gates.  
These are being installed in Southend Road. It was decided to ask for gates along Ashampstead Road.
- ii Road defects by the College.  
The Bursar will be coming to the July meeting.
- iii SID training.  
This is being arranged for three Councillors.

**New matters.**

- i Road defects.  
Southend Road – hedges.  
Heath road – pavement.  
Footpath No 15 Green lane.  
It was decided to alert WBC over these matters.

**31. Environment.**

**Matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting.**

Minute 13.

- i Footpath at Longmeadow.  
The papers are being organised for a deposit of the Statement of Case to the Planning Inspectorate.

**32. The report of the West Berkshire Councillor.**

A report was not presented.

**33. Correspondence received since the last meeting not referred to elsewhere.**

The correspondence was discussed and where appropriate placed into circulation.

**34. Items to be raised by Councillors.**

There are problems with the way in which WBC has reorganised the planning website and it is difficult to use.

There are some problems with the refuse collection which have been reported to WBC who promise action.

The Royal Mail service is extremely bad in Tutts Clump, and this is serious both for householders and businesses. It was decided to write to Royal Mail and ask for an explanation and a quick reinstatement of a proper service.

**35. Reports from Parish Council Representatives who have attended meetings of Outside Bodies on behalf of the Council.**

The Chairman had attended a Governor's meeting on May 25<sup>th</sup>.  
The budget was approved for the coming year.  
There is serious consideration being given to a possible application for Academy status.  
Phase two of funding for School development is being launched in June.

Mr Harrod had attended a meeting of the Village Hall Management Committee.  
New gates to the parking area have been installed.  
The roof leak has been repaired.  
Quotations are being sought to resurface the front.  
The money reserves are becoming less.

**36. Finance.**

i	Receipts.		
	West Berkshire Council	Precept 50%	£7,575.00
	Lloyds TSB	Interest	£0.82
ii	Payments by S/O		
	C.W.Goudge	Salary	£240.55
iii	Payments authorised.		
	Elmdale maintenance	Photo maintenance	£62.14
	HMRC	PAYE	£48.11
iv	Other matters.		
	i	The Statement of Receipts & Payments to date was noted.	
	ii	The Annual Return of the Council for the year to March 31 2011 was approved.	

**37. Date of the next meeting.**

**Tuesday July 5<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.**

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Chairman

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Date