

BARKHAM PARISH COUNCIL
Planning Committee

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Minutes of meeting of the Barkham Parish Council Planning Committee held on 15th August 2017 at the Community Centre at Arborfield Green at 5.30 p.m.

Present: Mr. L. Heath (in the Chair), Mr G. Dexter, Mrs Stubbs, Mr Lane and the Clerk.

Apologies: Mr C. Heyliger (on holiday), Mr. A. Scott (family commitments)

17/758 **Minutes** of meeting held on 25th July 2017 were approved and signed as a true record.

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170647	Land rear of 344 Barkham Road Full application for the proposed erection of 1 two bedroom dwelling.	Proposed To Comment
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Application has been revalidated as there were discrepancies regarding land ownership. Our original comments will be taken into consideration regarding landscaping.
 “The proposed dwelling would be very close to the side boundary. The Parish Council are not opposed to this bungalow provided that the conditions state that the landscaping must be retained along the roadside, to screen the property.” Clerk to reiterate the original comments, the west elevation will have a large expanse of blank wall which desperately needs some soft landscaping to break up the brick work. Also the access could be problematic, the applicant does not appear to have lawful access from Dowles Barn Close, as the strip of land is owned by Cala Homes. Any covenants will need to be resolved.

172343	7 Aggisters Lane Householder application for the proposed erection of a single storey rear and part conversion of existing garage plus internal alterations.	Proposed No Comment
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172209	Swallowfield Road, Arborfield Full application for the construction of a 2.3KM Arborfield Cross Relief Road linking A327 Reading Road in the north and A327 Eversley Road in the south east. The proposal includes two new roundabout junctions link to the existing road network along the A327, a new staggered priority junction at Swallowfield Road and a new shared use (non-motorised user) bridge where Arborfield footpath 17 intersects the proposed relief road. Adjoining Parish Consultation	Proposed To Comment
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Clerk to respond to WBC stating that the Parish Council is not happy with the proposed plans for the southern end of the by-pass. There will be five roundabouts in very quick succession (Biggs Lane, A327 Bramshill Hunt, The Relief Road, Poppyfields and the SDL), this is only going to discourage residents from using the by-pass route. Residents travelling from Watermans View in the direction of Wokingham will undoubtedly turn right from Biggs Lane into Langley Common Road to avoid all the roundabouts. BPC would like further discussions with WBC as to how to address the situation and if improvements can be made here.

172213	293 Barkham Road Application for the prior approval of the erection of a single storey rear extension which would extend beyond the rear wall of the original house by 4000m for which the maximum height would be 3850m and the height of the eaves 2350m. Information Only – the option to object lies with adjoining neighbours only	
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Clerk to reply stating that the measurement must be incorrect or this will be a huge extension!

171678	5 Hornbeam Close Householder application for the conversion of existing garage to additional habitable accommodation.	Approved
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Meeting closed at 7.00 p.m.

Next meeting of full Council on 12th September 2017 at 8 p.m. at Barkham Village Hall
Next meeting of Planning Committee on 12th September 2017 at 7.30 p.m.