

ELDERSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Meeting of Eldersfield Parish Council held on
Thursday 9th September 2010 at Eldersfield Lawn School, commencing at 7.30 p.m.**

Present: H.S. Davis (Chairman), C.H. Jeffes, R.S. Manwaring MBE,
Mrs M. Mitchell, N.R. Stephens

In Attendance: -

**Members of the
Public:** 2

1. Apologies for absence

D.J. Tombs, C.J. Whitehead, Mrs R Wilder, O D Williams
District Councillor Bronwen Behan

2. Members to declare interests

None

3. To adopt the Minutes of the previous meeting

The Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 8th July 2010 were accepted as a true record of that meeting and were signed as such by the Chairman of the meeting.

4. Matters arising

None

5. Report from Police Beat Manager

6. Reports from District and County Councillors

Both the District and County Councillors were absent and no reports were available.

7. Public Comment

In response to a question from a member of the public the Clerk explained the current position with respect to the Council's acquisition of two BT telephone kiosks.

8. Planning matters

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

SECTION A

SUMMARY OF PLANNING DECISIONS SINCE LAST MEETING

- 10/00623/HOU** Two storey extension to rear and second floor single storey extension to rear
- Yet Tree Cottage, Corse Lawn, Gloucester, GL19 4LZ
 - Mrs Pat Crockett

Council's Comments

The application proposes a two storey extension to a thatched black and white cottage.

We note that the extension replicates materials used in the original cottage.

A recent extension to a similar thatched cottage (Rose Cottage) resulting in both construction materials and roof 'differentiating' from the original in line with planning policy.

This interpretation blatantly did not work and the end result has been the subject of quite vocal local criticism.

With the benefit of hindsight we support the extension as proposed.

Refused

- 10/00912/HOU** Single storey rear extension
- Brindle Cottage, Lime Street, Eldersfield Worcestershire, GL19 4NX
 - Mr Andrew Barrett

Council's Comments

This single storey extension to the rear of the property will have no impact on neighbouring properties and will not be visible from the main approach road to the village. We support the application.

Approved

- 10/00788/HOU** Proposed Wood store
- Ivy Cottage, Long Green, Nr Forthampton, Glos GL19 4QQ
 - Mr Andrew Barrett

Council's Comments

We note that the height of the proposed wood store is restricted to under 2 metres and the boundary hedge will be allowed to grow to the same height, however a 10 metre long store

sitting in front of the main dwelling will have a considerable visual impact. Whilst the roof is specified as being green no specification is stated for the construction.

We are therefore unable to support this application.

Withdrawn by Applicant

SECTION B

SUMMARY OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS AWAITING DECISION

10/00498/FUL and 10/00500/LBC

Conversion of redundant barn to dwelling

- Pigeon House Farm, Eldersfield, Gloucester, GL19 4NW
- Mrs M Bainbridge

Council's Comments

The barn conversion proposed is situated immediately adjacent the Pigeon House main residence. New windows, being the only significant structural change, have been positioned sympathetically minimising any impact on the main residence.

The proposal is confirmed to the original footprint again minimising impact on a previously converted barn to the east of the barn.

We support the application whilst noting that Listed Building Control Consent is also required prior to full approval.

Under consideration

Pending

10/01016/FUL

Demolition of outbuildings and erection of single building for storage of hay/straw and housing of animals.

- Walnut Tree Cottage, Corse Lawn, Worcestershire GL19 4NB
- MR B Yoxall

Council's Comments

Under consideration

Pending

9. Communication

Given the reduced attendance, the Chairman with the agreement of the meeting decided to delay discussion of this topic until the next meeting.

10. BT Phone Kiosks

The Clerk reported that he had lodged an application with BT to purchase both of the telephone kiosks in the parish and was awaiting a response.

11. Council's shed

The Council noted that repairs were required to the Council's shed and that the expected cost was £370 +VAT. The Council authorised that the works be undertaken.

12. CAPRI

Mr Joseph Gabbott, Secretary of CAPRI, advised the meeting that the Public Inquiry had concluded on 23rd July and that the Inspector had undertaken to submit his report to the Secretary of State by 18th October and that the Secretary of State would publish his findings at some time after this date.

13. Audit

It was duly noted that Clement Keys, the Auditors, having completed their audit, had issued a report without qualification (i.e. has no adverse comments to make) and it was **RESOLVED** that the Council pay their fees of £58.75.

14. Churchyard

The Chairman reported that he had held discussions with a local landowner and the Parochial Parish Council of St John the Baptist Church, Eldersfield, with a view to assisting the PCC to acquire additional land for the churchyard. The discussions had been positive and he was hopeful that he would be able at some point in the future to put a proposal to Council for its consideration..

15. Authorisation of Disbursements

It was **RESOLVED** that the following disbursements be made:

£	162.85	J L Gabbott
£	37.48	Inland Revenue
£	58.75	Clement Keys

16. Correspondence

The following correspondence was noted:

Received:

- Malvern Hills District Council: Annual Report 2009-10
- Malvern Hills District Council: View from the Hills

17. Any other business

None

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.55 pm.