

**At the Meeting of Grimley Parish Council held on 3rd September 2012
in The Peace Hall, Sinton Green commencing at 7.30pm**

Present: B R Woodhouse (Chairman) Mrs A Davies S Haslewood B Jones
Mrs M Weston Mrs S Hughes - Clerk

Apologies: D Arr (accepted) Mrs P Ayers D G Lewis G Rowberry
WCCllr A E Davies DCllr D Clarke

114/12 Declarations of Interest

a) Register of Interests: There were no changes

b) To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests in items on the agenda and their nature There were none

c) To declare any Other Disclosable Interests in items on the agenda and their nature: Cllr Jones declared a personal interest in planning application 12/00301/FUL and Cllr Woodhouse in the same application as a close relative of an employee.

115/12 To Consider Written Requests from Councillors for the Council to Grant a Dispensation (S33 of the Localism Act 2011)

There were none.

116/12 To Receive a Report from the Local Policing Officer

There was no report for the meeting

117/12 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the Meetings held on the 16th July & 6th August 2012, having been previously circulated were **approved** and signed by the chairman as a correct record.

118/12 Matters Arising from the Minutes Not Listed Elsewhere on the Agenda

There were none.

Closure of the meeting to allow the public present to speak on any matters relating to Grimley Parish. Parishioners present made comment on planning applications

119/12 Report from Worcestershire County Councillor

Cllr Davies had tendered his apologies for the meeting.

120/12 Report from Malvern Hills District Council

DCllr Clarke had tendered his apologies for the meeting.

121/12 Planning: a) To consider planning applications referred by MHDC for comment:

12/00827/FUL	Replace existing unit with portacabin modular building (Retrospective) Grimley Raceway
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Members raised strong objections to this application:

the previous planning approval on site (12/00141/CLE) was for a certificate of lawful use of land for the siting of **one caravan** adjoining the Raceway. That caravan is still very clearly on-site and therefore this is a new rather than retrospective planning application.

The proposed modular building, some 5 - 6' off ground level surrounded by decking with seating, is intrusive, an overdevelopment of the site and unnecessary.

12/01114/HOU & Demolish rear porch and reception of utility room
 12/01115/LBC extension and porch Pound Farm, Sinton Green

Members raised no objections to this application

12/01125/FUL Proposed riding arena and indoor stabling
 (amended scheme) Elm Hill, Sinton Green

Members noted this application and requested that the Local Planning Authority consider it as the commercial development detailed rather than for 'personal' use: ref clause 8 of the approval notice for application 11/01514/FUL.

Members raised objections to the proposals:

the building is obtrusive in open countryside with insufficient sympathy in the proposed building materials for a rural area;

the proposal by reason of the cumulative scale of development and intensification of the use, entailing additional HG vehicle movements on unclassified roads, will cause unacceptable harm to the living conditions of neighbouring residents and users of rights of way in the vicinity.

Comments appertaining to the original building of Elm Hill seemed irrelevant as the building and materials available at the time are over a century old and the development site is some distance away from the property.

b) To Consider Under the Scheme of Delegation any Planning Applications received between publication of this agenda and the Meeting:

Having declared 'Other Disclosable Interests', Cllrs Jones and Woodhouse left the building.

12/00301/FUL a) Single storey building for B1 light industrial/offices
 Elgar Business Centre, Moseley Road
 b) Erection of a single storey building for B2 general
 industrial. Amended description
 c) *Erection of single storey building for B1 Business of Use
 Classes Order 2010* Amended description
 Elgar Business Centre, Moseley Road
Additional details

Members re-iterated their objections to this application on a rural site:

the building would mean the loss of currently used off-road parking spaces for the existing units (not just the one space as detailed); considerable additional traffic on a very narrow lane without a footway (there is **no** suitable public transport to the area) ***note paras 3, 6 & 8 of the letter dated 16th Aug 12 which detail employees and vehicular movements***; exacerbate local flooding and be an unnecessary intrusion into the rural landscape. Any BI use, current & future, would be a considerable noise intrusion for local households ***(note the proposed hours of work in para 7 of the letter dated 16 Aug)***.

Cllr Jones & Woodhouse returned to the meeting.

11/01317/FUL Provision of fishing lodges
Land at (OS 8262 6085) Grimley (**Amended details**)

Members noted that the application was to be considered by Northern Area Planning on 5th September.

c) Details of Decision Notices Received from MHDC:

12/00969/LBC Internal improvements and alterations to provide additional bedroom & en-suite.
1 Thorngrove Mews, Sinton Green
Approved 30th August 12

12/00943/HOU Two storey extension Little Horscroft, Sinton Green
Application withdrawn 7th August 12

d) Grimley Raceway: Members noted that Worcs Regulatory Services were pursuing relevant details for a new noise abatement notice.

e) Possible Enforcement Actions: A police report for Monkwood Green was awaited.

f) Hartlebury Incinerator: Members noted the previously circulated correspondence concerning the granting of permission for the development of an incinerator at Hartlebury.

122/12 Highways & Footpaths

a) Worlds End: The Highways Authority had confirmed that the work would be undertaken within the next month.

b) Blocked Ditch: The drainage authority continued to liaise with the landowners.

c) Bridge, Dark Lane: Members noted that work had been scheduled for 15th October.

d) Verge at Grimley Crossroads: Members noted the complaints over the state of the verge opposite to Stonewall Cottages. Following the circulation of the original correspondence, members had noted that two vehicles were regularly parked in the area by persons dog-walking along the local footpaths. The relevant Highways Officer had been on leave: CCLr Davies would pursue the matter upon the officer's return.

123/12 Sinton Green

a) Mowing: Members noted that the mowing contractor had not fulfilled the requested schedule. It was **agreed** to contact the contractor and review the contract for the following year.

b) Update on flooding/drainage: Members noted the ongoing progress in the area, the proposed site visit and **agreed** to invite the officer to the next meeting to provide an update and answer any relevant questions.

c) Clearances of the Ditches: Members noted and **agreed** that the ditches required clearance at an early date to ensure that the excess water in the area continued to flow from site. It was **agreed** to ask a local contractor to undertake the work as soon as possible.

d) Hedges: Following discussions, it was **agreed** to request that the hedges adjacent to The New Inn be cut back as a matter of highway safety.

124/12 Monkwood Green

a) Repair of Driveway on The Common:

Following careful further consideration of the driveway, members **agreed** to the purchase of 5 ton of stone for the area.

b) The Well: Members requested quotes for the work for consideration at the next meeting.

125/12 Update Reports (if appropriate) from Representatives:

a) Peace Hall Management Committee: The installation of the windows had been completed and work on the dry-lining was progressing well.

b) Tarmac Liaison Committee: Members noted a report from the Company as the July meeting has been cancelled. Concerns were raised once again that water levels on site continued to rise whatever the weather and that various footpaths were flooded.

c) Grimley Smaller Charities: Members were advised that the legal agreement would be completed by the end of the month.

d) Joint Parishes Transport Group: There was no update.

126/12 Finance

a) Works for the Lengthsman: Verges and visibility splays on Sinton Green.

b) To Note the Completion of the External Audit 2011/2012: Members noted the completion of the audit.

c) Training Events/Budget: Members were reminded to advise the clerk of any training events which they wished to attend.

d) To Consider & Approve the payment of outstanding accounts: Members **approved** the payments of accounts as in the presented schedule (attached).

127/12 Correspondence

a) Any Matters Arising from the CALC Circulars: There were none

b) Malvern Hills Area Committee: Members noted the detail of the meeting on 11th September.

c) MH CALC Analysis of Websites: Members noted that the Grimley 'My Parish' website had been graded as average!

128/12 Date of Future Meetings

The following dates were **agreed**:

1 st October	12 th November	3 rd December	14 th January 2013
11 th February	18 th March	15 th April	20 th May
17 th June	15 th July	19 th August	

Chairman
(1st October 2012)