

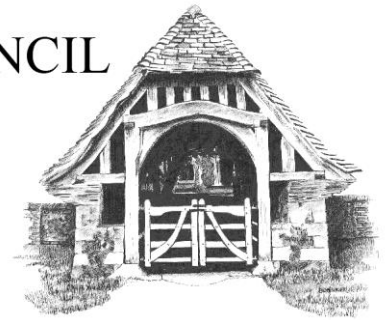
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Minutes of a Virtual Meeting of Waltham St Lawrence Parish Council held on Tuesday 12th May 2020.

Present: Mike Kay (Chairman), Mark Hipgrave (Vice Chairman), Clive Scott-Hopkins, Paul Mason, Herman Bleekendaal, Graham Pobjoy, Rupe Patel, MJ Streater (Clerk).

Also, present: 6 members of the public, Cllr Hunt, Cllr Johnson

	<p>Public Question Time:</p> <p>Several residents raised concerns about the potential return of Travelers to the site in Shurlock Road. All were advised to contact the Police and RBWM rather than getting involved personally. A concrete barrier would not be permitted across the entrance as the Travellers still have the right to access their land for agricultural purposes. Mrs Eastman's family are the only people allowed to return to live on the site (until 21st June 2021). The new NPPF is more restrictive, which may help challenge any further occupation attempt. Via our Borough Councillors, it was requested that RBWM remain vigilant in case there are signs of an incursion. Cllr Hunt committed to contact Victoria Goldberg and Aaron Hitchman in the Enforcement team.</p> <p>It was noted that none of the waste material (hard core) that was tipped onto the site was checked, as a result the height of the land is now higher. EA Officer should still have measurements taken of the current elevation of the site..</p> <p>It was noted that the Enforcement Notice is still in place and relevant.</p> <p>It remains unclear as to whether Mark Pickett is still the owner. A parishioner requested that Cllr Hunt undertake a Land Registry search to establish who does own the land, Cllr Hunt replied that there was insufficient evidence to warrant Council involvement. The Chairman highlighted that registration of the transfer of ownership details also takes time and therefore a search would be of limited benefit if title has transferred recently.</p> <p>The Chairman also requested an update from Cllr Johnson regarding RBWM finance, with particular reference to whether the Travellers could be using the finance issue as an excuse for stirring unrest.</p> <p>Cllr Johnson confirmed that whilst the financial situation was tight, it did not limit the ability to continue to support services such as Planning and Enforcement. He continued to stress the need to follow process in any initiative that was to be undertaken. He suggested also that Superintendent Colin Hudson would be the most effective point of contact with regard to Police Enforcement, he committed to raise the possible incursion issue with him.</p> <p>Fly tipping was also raised; grass cuttings onto footpaths and Bridleways is again an issue. Herman Bleekendaal raised the question as to when it could be expected that the Borough would resume local services to resolve these issues. Cllr Johnson confirmed that over the last 8 weeks that attention had been focussed on frontline services, but that certain services will shortly be resumed. Fly tipping is up by 30 % across RBWM and Cllr Johnson will be addressing this to ensure that a firmer stance is taken. He asked the public to make him aware if they were aware of individuals or organisations involved in fly tipping. The member of the public was asked to supply these details to Herman and Cllr Johnson. Cllr Hunt confirmed that Sharon Wootton was the RBWM contact for waste on Public Rights of Way.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Cllr Hunt</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Cllr Johnson</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Herman Bleekendaal</p>
FC/1/5/2020	Apologies: There were no apologies.	

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<p>FC/ /5/2020</p>	<p>Minutes: Minutes of the 3rd March 2020 meeting were approved by the Council and signed by the Chairman.</p>	<p>Clerk</p>
<p>FC/3/5/2020</p>	<p>Declarations of Interests: The Parish Council all declared an interest in Milley Farm as the applicant is a Parish Councillor. Clive Scott-Hopkins declared an interest in Glebe Farm</p>	
<p>FC/4/5/2020</p>	<p>Significant Matters Arising from the January Minutes: The Clerk confirmed that for the foreseeable future Parish Council Meetings would be held virtually which has been confirmed by new legislation. The Annual Parish Council meeting would be delayed until 2021, but the Annual Parish Meeting (which is still a requirement). is anticipated being held later in the year, date TBC. Power of Delegation are being applied to pay certain bills where required.</p> <p>Shurlock Road Nature Reserve, Shurlock Road, WSL. A draft lease has been passed to RBWM Solicitors. There are a number of other issues that need to be addressed including signage outside to highlight the entrance. The maintenance contract also needs to be discussed and agreed. Rupe Patel confirmed that as of 12th May the gate has been reopened. He raised concern that the Play equipment should not be used. It was stressed that parents will have a responsibility to ensure guidelines are followed. The Nature Reserve remains the responsibility of RBWM.</p>	
<p>FC/5/5/2020</p>	<p>Planning Applications: The Parish Council noted the responses submitted to planning applications in May under delegated powers by the Clerk, as annexed to the agenda</p> <p>20/00868/FULL Address The Old Laundry House The Street Shurlock Row Reading RG10 0PR ProposalSingle storey rear extensions, new render to the side elevation (LHS) and alterations to fenestration. <i>Parish Council Comments:</i> No Objection provided there is no contravention of GB4</p> <p>20/00875/CPD Address Milley Farm Milley Road Waltham St Lawrence Reading RG10 0JR ProposalCertificate of lawfulness to determine whether the proposed conversion and extension to the existing outbuilding to create a home office is lawful. <i>Parish Council Comments:</i> The Parish Council had declared an interest.</p> <p>20/00915/AGDET Address Land at The Junction of Mire Lane And Twyford Road Waltham St Lawrence Reading ProposalNotification to determine whether prior approval is required for the construction of a new road <i>Parish Council Comments:</i> If approved the Parish Council would request that a condition for agricultural use only be applied not residential, (NB Borlases Barn</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>

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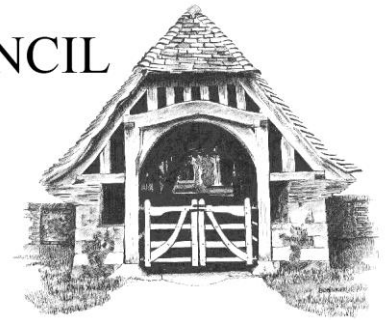
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	<p>in the adjacent field in addition the scale of the building seems excessive for the proposed use. In addition, the property is in the flood plain. 20/00934/CPD Address Mortimer Cottage The Street Shurlock Row Reading RG10 0PR Proposal Certificate of lawfulness to determine whether the proposed outbuilding is lawful. <i>Parish Council Comments:</i> The Parish Council had no objection.</p> <p>20/00933/CPD Address The Old Press Milley Road Waltham St Lawrence Reading RG10 0JR Proposal Certificate of lawfulness to determine whether the proposed single storey extension to the West elevation and alterations to fenestration, following demolition of the existing single storey element is lawful. <i>Parish Council Comments:</i> No Comment.</p> <p>Reference 20/00982/FULL Address Andrews Engineering The Workshop The Street Shurlock Row Reading RG10 0PS Proposal Construction of a detached five bedroom dwelling following demolition of the existing former joinery workshop and builders yard <i>Parish Council Comments:</i> The Parish Council supports the redevelopment of the site, however objects to the scale and bulk of the building affecting the street scene in a conservation area and in relation to the adjacent bungalow. Note should also be made of the scale of the proposed building in relation to the existing buildings. It would also ask that a comparison be made with comments made the proposed garage redevelopment 18/01231/FULL</p> <p>20/00727/FULL Address Oak Tree Farm Binfield Bracknell RG42 5QD Proposal Change of use of the existing cottage to an independent dwelling with private garden, parking area and garage <i>Parish Council Comments:</i> No Objection.</p> <p>20/00714/FULL and 20/00715/FULL Address Land To The South West of Howe Lane Farm Howe Lane Paley Street Maidenhead Proposal Development of a gas fired electricity generating facility, incorporating engine house, ammonia tank, four 14m high flues, office, gas pressure reduction and electricity sub-station buildings, 2.5m high security fencing, entrance gates, vehicular access, parking and associated landscaping. <i>Parish Council Comments:</i> This proposal is obviously a massive intrusion into the Green Belt and should be resisted if possible. It borders an ancient woodland with protected wildlife and the pollution element could have an impact on the woodland, it could also have flooding implications. If allowed, only in the national interest, it should be lowered in height (14m) and special attention paid to emitted noise and external lighting. At the very least an encircling tree screen should be planted in an attempt to conceal such an intrusive facility. NB An EA letter to RBWM of 10.9.02 stated that they objected to an MSA at Great Wood "on flooding grounds" and said : "the Agency will support this objection at the forthcoming Inquiry"</p> <p>Reference 20/00964/FULL Address 2 Pavilion Cottages Hungerford Lane Shurlock Row Reading RG10 0PG</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
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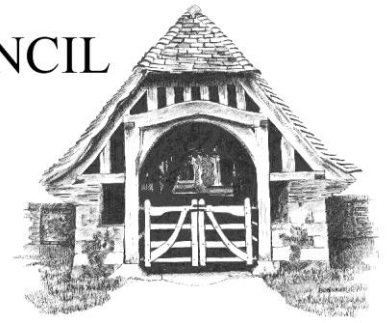
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	<p>Proposal First floor side/rear extension, x1 side rooflight and alterations to fenestration <i>Parish Council Comments:</i> No Objection subject to no contravention of GB4 20/01006/VAR Address Old Oak Cottage Sill Bridge Lane Waltham St Lawrence Reading RG10 ONT Proposal Variation (under Section 73A) of planning permission 16/00424/FULL without complying with Condition 3 (Domestic permitted development rights). <i>Parish Council Comments:</i> No Comment. Clive Scott-Hopkins left the meeting. Reference 20/00945/FULL Address Glebe Farm Cottage The Straight Mile Shurlock Row Reading RG10 0QP Proposal Single storey side/rear extension with accommodation in the roof space <i>Parish Council Comments:</i> The Parish Council Objects on the basis of over development. Clive Scott-Hopkins re-joined the meeting.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
FC/6/5/2020	<p>Trees in a Conservation Area: There were none</p>	
FC/7/5/2020	<p>Plans that have arrived in the last couple of days: There were none.</p>	
FC/8/5/2020	<p>Other Planning Matters: There were none</p>	
FC/9/5/2020	<p>Enforcement Notices and Appeals: Andrews Yard: The tree team have never responded to the unauthorised removal of trees. The Parish Council noted the planning application submitted. Beenhams Farmhouse: Removal of Vehicles: An enforcement notice was issued on the 20.12.2019 requiring the cessation of the use of the land for the storage of vehicles and the removal of all vehicles that are being stored, parked or stowed unrelated to the lawful use. This notice has been appealed and we have received confirmation from PINs that the appeal is valid. The notice will now be held in abeyance until the enforcement appeal is determined. Please note that this could take up to a year. Beenhams Barns falling into disrepair: Repairs have been made to the Barns, it is unclear if they are finished or not. John Torrid Farm. Unauthorised movement of earth and numerous Caravans. No further action – to be removed from the agenda Shottesbrooke to notify if more Caravans appear. Land behind Baskerville House. RBWM have stated there is no further action being taken. Herman Bleekendaal highlighted that the pond having been filled in has an adverse impact on the drainage throughout the village, this point has been missed by RBWM. Herman has maps showing the drains and pipes that have been affected and committed to take up with RBWM again.</p>	<p>Herman Bleekendaal</p>

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	<p>Bellman Hanger Ecology surveys have been conducted; the results are awaited. Panel due June/July.</p>	
FC/10/5/2020	<p>Finance: Payments were agreed for Clerk's Salary, Toner, MyFiscal payroll, Memorial Bench and cut 2 and 3 for Countrywide - £2,861.63 (Donations £1,357.50 TBC in memory of Mick Hitchman are being held by Scott Ganson, any minor additional bench fitting costs will be borne by the Parish) Receipts were noted for Burials, 3 x Allotments, first half Precept (£12,250) and Council Tax Equalisation (£928.60) Total £13,773.60</p>	Clerk
FC/11/5/2020	<p>Reports from Representatives: Report from the Clerk: The Clerk confirmed that reporting dates have been relaxed due to the Corona Virus pandemic (CV19), and that, together with the Chairman and the Ex RFO, the required figures would be supplied to our Internal Auditor Barrie Dancer prior to onward transmission to the overall external auditor PKF Littlejohn. All noticeboards and website will be updated as appropriate. Year end will be reported at a future meeting. Communications: No further update. Highways and Speed Limits: Road signs are done, but road painting still required. Graham Pobjoy to remind RBWM Footpaths and Bridleways: Maintenance of footpaths is being undertaken by residents it would seem which was applauded. No update on the footpath to Wicks Lane. Parish Maintenance. Although the contract is live, Countrywide are behind on the schedule due to CV19. Paul Mason is liaising. Grass and weeds at Shurlock Row Pond require attention. Fly Tipping, still outstanding on Shurlock Row Mowbray Farm. Burial Ground: Still requires update to Terms and Conditions. Contracts are being signed by Family. Capital Projects: Mick's Bench about to be placed. Ditches and Allotments: 1 new contract confirmed, 2 plots under discussion Shurlock Row Pond: Maintenance outstanding, drain needs repair /clearance by RBWM Dog Poo Bins: Herman Bleekendaal to liaise with farmer to get bin located on junction of Straight Mile. Need to also liaise with Nick Kohl to ensure that he is able to empty in addition to the other new bin (also by the pond).</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Graham Pobjoy</p> <p>Paul Mason</p> <p>Graham Pobjoy/Clerk/ Cllr Johnson Rupe Patel/Clerk</p> <p>Herman Bleekendaal</p>
FC/12/5/2020	<p>Correspondence: Pool Lane Maintenance remains an issue, Cllr Hunt is in contact with Housing Solutions and Public Rights of Way. Clive Scott-Hopkins requested the Clerk to chase a response from Charlotte Glancy regarding representation on the Local Plan.</p>	Clerk
FC/13/5/2020	<p>Meetings attended by Councillors: Clerk attended virtual meeting with Clerks Forum, mainly discussing Year end</p>	

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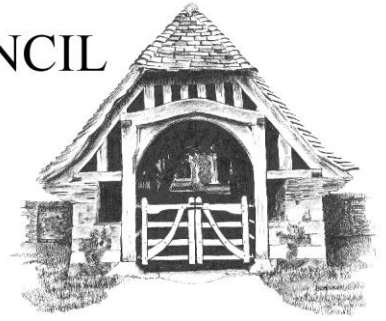
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FC/14/5/2020	AOB: None	
	Date of Next Site Visits: Virtual Meeting 9am Saturday 6 th June 2020.	
FC/15/5/2020	Date of Next Meeting: Virtual Meeting 7pm Tuesday 9 th June 2020.	
	The meeting closed at 9.00pm.	

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