



**SPEEN PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE PLANNING & HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**HELD AT SPEEN PAVILION SPEEN RECREATION GROUND ON WEDNESDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2023 STARTING AT 7PM**

<b>Parish Councillors present</b>	Cllr Wilson (Chair), Cllr Hunt (Vice Chair), Cllr Sadagopan, Cllr Philip
<b>In Attendance</b>	No Members of the Public present
<b>Clerk &amp; RFO</b>	Jean Lindsell

Resolution	Item	Action
Resolved	<p><b>1. Election of Chair</b></p> <p>Cllr Wilson was elected Chair of the Committee</p> <p>Proposer: Cllr Hunt            Secunder: Cllr Sadagopan            All in Favour</p>	
Resolved	<p><b>2. Election of Vice Chair</b></p> <p>Cllr Hunt was elected Vice Chair of the Committee</p> <p>Proposer: Cllr Wilson            Secunder: Cllr Sadagopan            All in Favour</p>	
	<p><b>3. Apologies:</b> Cllr Amirtharaj, Cllr Booth</p>	
	<p><b>4. Declaration of Interests:</b></p> <p>Cllr Sadagopan declared an indirect interest in Item 8.5 as he works for Vodafone.</p>	
	<p><b>5. Open Session</b> – no Members of the Public present</p>	
Resolved	<p><b>6. Minutes</b> – to approve the Minutes of the Planning &amp; Highways Committee held on 29-03-23 (draft)</p> <p>Proposer: Cllr Wilson            Abstention: 3</p>	
Resolved	<p><b>7. Committee Terms of Reference</b></p> <p><b>Proposal:</b> To review revised Terms of Reference and recommend to Full Council for approval</p> <p>The Clerk advised Section 4 of the Terms of Reference had been updated to be in line with the Scheme of Delegation regarding meetings.</p> <p>It was unanimously agreed to accept the revisions and recommend to Full Council for approval.</p> <p>Proposer: Cllr Wilson            Secunder: Cllr Hunt            All in Favour</p>	
	<p><b>8. Planning Applications</b></p> <p><b>8.1 23/00905/HOUSE - Yew Tree House Speen Lane Speen Newbury RG14 1RJ</b></p> <p>Small rear extension and fenestration changes</p>	

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The Committee unanimously agreed this was a small extension and would not detract from the visual amenity of neighbours to submit No Objection to WBC.

**8.2 23/01005/FUL – Watermill Theatre Bagnor RG20 8AE**

Extension of use of a temporary single-storey portakabin building to be used as additional office space for a period of 3 years

The Committee unanimously agreed as the portakabin was situated behind a large hedge shielding it from the sight lines of properties in Manor Road to submit No Objection to WBC.

**8.3 23/01165/FUL – Rookwood Farm Stockcross RG20 8JX**

Conversion of stable building to two-bedroom dwelling; with associated internal/external alterations, access, parking, turning, landscaping and private amenity space

The Committee noted planning approval had previously been granted in 2020 and the proposals were identical to the original application and unanimously agreed to submit No Objection to WBC.

**8.4 23/01218/HOUSE – 16 Kersey Crescent Speen RG14 1SY**

Proposed first floor side extension, new front porch and associated alterations

The Committee unanimously agreed as the extension was in line with many other properties already extended in the area and there were no windows that could be deemed intrusive to neighbouring properties to submit No Objection to WBC.

**8.5 23/01323/TELE56 – Land North of Hamstead Crossing Site Marsh Benham**

Application to determine if prior approval is required for a proposed: 15m lattice communications mast, antennas, ground-based apparatus and ancillary development

The Committee unanimously agreed to submit No Objection to WBC.

**9 Planning Decisions – for information**

**9.1 23/00210/HOUSE – Linden House Speen Lane Speen RG14 1RN – Granted**

**9.2 23/00382/FUL – 111 Marsh Benham RG20 8LY – Granted**

**9.3 23/00600/AGRIC – Copse Barn Bagnor Manor Bagnor – Approval not required**

**9.4 23/00638/DEMO – Copse Barn Bagnor Manor Bagnor – Approval not required**

**9.5 23/00729/HOUSE – Bramley Speen Lane Speen RG14 1RN – Granted**

All planning decisions were duly noted.

**10 Highways Matters**

**10.1 Community Speed Watch Update**

Cllr Wilson advised the data captured regarding Grove Road speeding had been sent to the CSW police contact and a response from Thames Valley Police was awaited. Residents had also been contact with the Police Liaison Officer.

Cllr Wilson added the data also been sent to WBC who had advised the issue needed to be addressed with the Police as CSW was a police initiative and they had responsibility for speed enforcement.

Cllr Hunt advised residents had requested confirmation that letters from Thames Valley Police were being sent to drivers exceeding the speed limit which had now been confirmed but there was still no reduction in speeding. Cllr Hunt added residents were requesting a meeting with WBC to discuss potential solutions

Cllr Wilson advised he would contact WBC's Traffic and Road Safety Team to request an initial meeting together with Cllr Hunt to get further advice and discuss

Cllr Wilson



	<p>possible ways forward.</p> <p><b>11 Committee Meeting Dates</b></p> <p>The Committee felt meetings should be held bi-monthly not quarterly and the dates proposed were agreed.</p> <p>Clerk to update the Committee Terms of Reference to reflect this.</p> <p><b>12 Matters for information only arising after the preparation of this Agenda which the Chair agrees to take as urgent – none raised</b></p> <p><b>13 Date of Next Meeting – 16<sup>th</sup> August 2023</b></p> <p>The meeting closed at 8.05pm</p>	Clerk
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<b>Signed:</b>	<b>Name (print):</b>  <b>Position:</b>	<b>Date:</b>
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