



BUXTED

PARISH COUNCIL

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The Chairman and Members of the Council,

NOTICE OF MEETING

Buxted Parish Council Members are summoned to a Virtual Meeting to be held on Tuesday 4th May 2021 at 7.00pm

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC CAN JOIN THE MEETING BY CONTACTING THE CLERK TO THE COUNCIL WHO WILL SEND A LINK AND PASSWORD ENABLING THEM TO JOIN

The public have a right and are welcome to attend and at the discretion of the Chairman, members of the public may ask questions prior to the commencement of the business proper.

AGENDA

1. Election of Chairman of the Council for the forthcoming year
2. Signing of Declaration of Acceptance of Office by the new Chairman
3. Election of Vice Chairman of the Council
4. Apologies for absence
5. Declarations of members' interests in respect of items on this agenda
6. Minutes of the virtual parish council meeting held on 13th April 2021 (previously circulated) to be confirmed and signed
7. **Planning applications for consideration:**
 - 7.1 [WD/2021/0344/F](#)
Location: The Croft, Coopers Green Road, Uckfield
Description: Proposed single storey and rear extension.
 - 7.2 [WD/2021/0902/F](#)
Location: Redbrook Cottage, Redbrook Lane, Buxted
Description: Detached single storey garage
 - 7.3 [WD/2021/0780/F](#)
Location: Kilworth House, London Road, Budletts Common, Uckfield
Description: Proposed single storey extension to side of property to form bedroom 1 and en-suite.

Applications received following the publication of the agenda: *To be added to if required*

8 Applications determined/updated by Wealden District Council

8.1 *None at publication of the agenda*

Appeals

Appeal Ref: APP/C1435/D/21/3267649

Quarry Farm, Royal Oak Lane, High Hurstwood, Buxted TN22 4AL

The development proposed is the erection of single storey double garage with apex roof, construction of hard surface joining existing driveway to garage and proposed drainage to minimise surface water run-off.

Reason for dismissal: The main issue is the effect of the development on the character and appearance of the locality and the High Weald Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

The Parish Council raised no objections

9. ESCC/WDC report

10. Outstanding matters – For Information Only unless otherwise stated:

- **Mobile Phone Coverage**
- **Public footpaths**
Trees
- **Road Safety**
- **Wealden Local Development Framework – Local Plan:**
- **Property issues:**
Reading Room renovation – Fire Safety Assessment Report - if received
- **Communications Matters**

11. Correspondence – circulated prior to the meeting

P1 – *no priority correspondence on publication*

12. Finance:

- (i) to agree to approve the payment list for May 2021 via email as all payments not received in time for meeting
- (ii) to approve the bank reconciliations for April 2021
- (iii) to receive the RBS reports: EMR, Cash & Investment Reconciliation, Receipts and payments to date.
- (iv) Accounts summary – circulated separately to councillors, to be attached to minutes
- (v) **Consideration of Insurance Policy for 2021/22** – details of quotes circulated prior to meeting

13. Reports on other meetings attended by members

14. Members questions

15. Announcements – a) Chairman of the Council; b) Clerk to the Council



R Macklen, Clerk to the Council

Copy to ESCC Cllr R Galley, WDC Cllr Illingworth

See below: ongoing issues reported to ESCC Highways:

DATE RAISED	CASE NO	DESCRIPTION	OPEN/CLOSED RESOLUTION
21/12/2020	00529461	Britts Farm Alleyway – access through difficult due to blocking by vegetation and fallen fence	21/12 – passed to officers 31/3 – map received by clerk showing part of alleyway in ownership of Highways and part Rights of Way Team. Clerk written to Rights of Way Team to ask that trees on their part (footpath 67) be assessed. 31/3 Rights of Way Team confirm the trees are on ESCC land however could be the responsibility of the landowner which ESCC are not. I wait to be advised.
21/12/2020	00527587	Switching off of street lamps in Britts Farm alleyway, or at least switching off one on 24 hours	21/12 – passed to officers 26/1 – still being discussed by officers 22/2 – resident advised that the orange light has now changed to a bright white light and is still on 24 hours (so worse situation) 10/3 – apologies from ESCC for slow response. Explanation of why lamp was changed to white light. Still looking at putting timers on lights 11/3 – Response by clerk. Crossed wires, we want the lights turned off not on timers. 23/3 – ESCC confirm they are still looking into being able to switch off lights 15/4 – ESCC confirmation that lights cannot be switched off for safety reasons but will be replaced with different bulbs and will not be on all night. Works will take place late summer ISSUE CLOSED (for now)
21/01/2021	00539076	Blocked drain outside St Mary's Church, Church Road, Buxted	25/1 – passed to officer to investigate
27/01/2021 COMPLETED	00541323	Width of pavement between St Raphaels and Toll Farm Triangle, Buxted	27/1 – passed to officers. 9/2 – officers could not identify location they need a better description! Email response sent. 31/3 – after more correspondence between Cllr Galley, ESCC Officer Johnson and Local Resident, Cllr Galley has confirmed this matter cannot be pursued any further. Pavement is a fair width, and the hedge has been recently cut back. Engineering works and cameras will not be installed by ESCC on this section of road. 20/4 – Cllr Galley confirmed hedge and width of pavement will be investigated by Highway Steward