

BIDDENHAM PARISH COUNCIL



Councillors, I hereby summon you to attend the meeting of Biddenham Parish Council on Tuesday, 18th October 2022 commencing at 7.30pm at Biddenham Pavilion (**Upstairs meeting room**) to consider the following items of business.

AGENDA

1 Councillor Graham Bates OBE

To mark the passing of the esteemed parish councillor, Honorary Alderman Graham Bates OBE.

2 Apologies for Absence

3 Declarations of interest in items on the agenda

4 To approve the minutes of the parish council meeting held on 12th July 2022. No meeting was held in September due to legal restrictions relating to the mourning period of HM Queen Elizabeth II.

5 Public Open Session

- This council is committed to community engagement and therefore warmly invites members of the public to contribute during this part of the meeting.

6 Correspondence (requiring council attention):

- a) Email from resident of Duck End Lane with concerns about access issues when the open space at the Gold Lane development is opened. Clerk and borough councillor Jon Gambold met the resident, who wrote a summary of the concerns – sent to councillors.
- b) Email from resident about the amount of dog fouling and the open-top bin at the Main Road bus shelter being used for dog waste bags.
- c) Request from Bedfordshire Rural Communities Charity (BRCC) coordinator for Good Neighbours to ascertain if Biddenham could use a group to support residents.
- d) Email from resident with concerns over the death of a Wellingtonia tree and hedge on Main Road. Referred to BBC Planning Enforcement who investigated and confirmed that there is no clear evidence that development has caused the decline of the tree. However, they do have powers to require a replacement tree if this one is lost.
- e) Confirmation from BBC Highways that the Church End footpath has been added to the program for resurfacing.
- f) Emails with concerns from residents about the quality of works at Gold Lane by the developer.
- g) Request from a resident to start a Speedwatch group and another email in relation to speeding along Main Road.

7 Clerk's report on matters in progress

- To review the action list.

8 Licensing

To consider whether a response is required for the following licensing application:

Application for the grant of a new premises licence at 6 Nevern Gardens. Application seeks the sale by retail of alcohol for the fulfilment of internet orders only: Monday to Friday 07:00 – 19:00

Saturday and Sunday 08:00 – 18:00

9 Highways & Open Spaces

- a) To consider a quote to cut back bushes on parish council land at Fleming Close following a resident request.
- b) To consider the planting of more trees under the Trees for Streets program. Clerk has collated a proposal of potential locations from councillors and residents.
- c) To note that the 20mph limit for the Deep Spinney area was put to public consultation with a deadline for comments of 21st August.

- d) To note that the Social Value Bid to place a hard surface on the right of way towards the golf course is likely to fail due to the landowner, Bidwells on behalf of Wingfield, refusing permission.

10 Biddenham Pavilion

- a) Proposal from Chris Gee: To consider whether to add CCTV and/or changes to the gates to prevent criminal behaviour in the Pavilion car park.
- b) Pavilion Committee membership: To consider any additions to this committee.
- c) To consider quotes for repairing and repainting the internal walls of the Pavilion, to create a foyer desk out of the redundant coat racks, and other smaller works to the fire doors.
- d) To ratify the Pavilion Committee decision to authorise works of £343 to replace the fire door "closers" and fixes to the toilets.
- e) To consider whether an increase in hire costs is required for 2023.

11 Borough Councillors' Report

Report to be circulated to councillors and placed on the parish council website.

12 Financial Matters

- a) To approve payments and note receipts.
- b) To agree adding signatories to the Unity Trust bank account.
- c) To acknowledge the external audit response from Mazars for the 2021/22 accounts.

13 CIL Spending

- a) To agree an approach for deciding on projects to use the Gold Lane development CIL funding.
- b) Dependent on the decision above, to consider a request from Biddenham Tennis Club to assist financially in the resurfacing of the courts and repairs to the fencing. Total estimated cost for resurfacing is estimated to be c.£50k and fencing c.£10k.

14 Planning applications

- To consider the following planning applications:

APPLICATION NO: 22/01664/LDE Cert of Lawful Use and Dev (existing) Application

PROPOSAL: Lawful continued construction of replacement two-storey dwelling with rooms in the roof and associated external works under reference 16/02141/FUL LOCATION : 11 Biddenham Turn

APPLICATION NO: 22/01676/FUL Full Planning Application

PROPOSAL: Single storey rear extension LOCATION : 7 Thorpe Close

APPLICATION NO: 22/01754/TPO Tree Preservation Order Application PROPOSAL: T1 - Sycamore - Heavy decline, signs of sooty bark disease. Pollard to first main union at approx 6m from ground level. LOCATION : 45 Church End

APPLICATION NO: 22/01769/TPO Tree Preservation Order Application PROPOSAL: T1 Willow: Crown lift on west side to 3m, by removal of descending branch tips park LOCATION : St James VA Primary School Main Road

APPLICATION NO: 22/01698/FUL Full Planning Application

PROPOSAL: Dismantle external brick chimney by hand and rebuild together with associated specialist repair work to timber frame and daubing, including external decoration. LOCATION : 35 Main Road

APPLICATION No 22/01109/FUL TYPE: Full Planning Application

PROPOSAL: Installation of external lighting to Sales Arena. LOCATION : Land At Deep Spinney Gold Lane

APPLICATION No 22/00989/OUT TYPE: Outline Application

PROPOSAL: Outline application for the demolition of existing dwelling and erection of 3 new dwellings. All matters reserved except Access and Layout. LOCATION : 16 Vicars Close

APPLICATION NO: 22/01699/LBC Listed Building Consent Application

PROPOSAL: Dismantle external brick chimney by hand and rebuild together with associated specialist repair work to timber frame and daubing, including external decoration. LOCATION : 35 Main Road

APPLICATION NO: 22/01951/FUL Full Planning Application

PROPOSAL: Garage conversion, one and two storey front, side and rear extensions and associated alterations LOCATION : 9 Darlow Drive

APPLICATION NO: 22/01967/FUL Full Planning Application PROPOSAL: Single storey rear extension. Demolition of existing flat roof garage and erection of a pitched roof garage. LOCATION : 16 Bromham Road

APPLICATION NO: 22/01999/FUL Full Planning Application & 22/02000/LBC Listed Building Consent Application
PROPOSAL: Replacement windows LOCATION : 34 Day's Lane

APPLICATION NO: 22/01996/TPO Tree Preservation Order Application PROPOSAL: T2 Cypress: Fell to ground level,
due to excessive one-sided dieback LOCATION : 43 Day's Lane

APPLICATION NO: 22/02036/TPO Tree Preservation Order Application PROPOSAL: G1 Sycamores x 2 to be felled and
x2 crown reduce by 50% LOCATION : 23 Bromham Road

APPLICATION NO: 22/02154/FUL Full Planning Application PROPOSAL: Erection of a detached dwelling (adjacent to
the existing two houses under construction pursuant to permission 22/00119/S73) LOCATION : 12 And 12A Vicars
Close

APPLICATION NO: 22/02186/TPO Tree Preservation Order Application PROPOSAL: G1 - Group of Oaks - Remove
major deadwood throughout whole crown area (Deadwood > 25mm in diameter). Crown lift over the roadside to a
minimum of 5.2m. LOCATION : 1E Biddenham Turn

Noted for further discussion:

None

- To consider any changes required to the councillor responsibilities for reviewing planning applications.

15 **Business for future agendas (No actions can be taken on items not on the agenda)**

16 **Date of next meeting:** 15th November 2022 – Biddenham Pavilion