

ABBOTS BROMLEY PARISH COUNCIL
 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting
 Held on Wednesday, 9th January 2019 at 7.00 pm
 At the Village Hall, Abbots Bromley, pursuant to notice having been given

Present: P Charles (Chair); J Houlihan; R Jarman; P Ryan; B Walters,

In attendance: Mrs S Meads (Clerk),

Members of the Public Attending: 0

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1. Apologies for absence
 Mrs A Appleby, Mrs R Robb, Mrs M Moore

3. Public Session
 None

4. Declarations of Interest
 None

5. Planning

Applications

1174 - P/2018/01470: Rose Villa, Lichfield Road, Abbots Bromley, WS15 3DL Erection of a two storey side extension

Received: 14/12/18 Reply due: 04/01/19 No Objection

1175 - P/2018/01541: Market Place Garage, Market Place, Abbots Bromley, Staffordshire, WS15 3BP

Demolition of redundant garage to facilitate the erection of a detached dwelling

Received: 09/01/19 Reply due: 30/01/19 The Parish Council had concerns about this applications as follows:

The property is oversized for the plot available, the extent of the footprint leaves little space for garden or outside space, any outside space to the front is consumed by parking bays and at the back the outdoor space is minuscule for the size of property.

Given where the proposed property is (right at the heart of the village and conservation area) it is important that the design is absolutely right. The design to looks fairly uninspiring and has the look of an "off the shelf" mass house build design about it which is not in keeping with the unique and varied cottage type dwellings in the village core. Added to which the drawings submitted with the application are pretty poor and don't give much detailed information about proposed materials. "Timber windows to detail" for example is very ambiguous.

The “quality of life” offered by the position of the proposed house is poor because of the lack of sufficient outdoor space as detailed above but also because of the proximity to the electricity substation. This substation hums and buzzes and would not provide a good environment for a domestic dwelling. It is also likely that should a house be built here that the owners would start parking in the “available” area to the front of the sub-station, land which is not part of the application or house but would no doubt be quickly used by the property owner and their visitors. This would obstruct potentially vital access to the substation frontage.

This area has historically been used as non-residential because of the proximity to the substation and the overall constraints of the plot. Whilst it would be welcome to see the area re-developed it is not welcome that an area of the village traditionally used to provide a service is to be lost

Decisions

Agreed

1164 - P/2018/01302: Bromley Orchard House, 12 A Lintake Drive, Abbots Bromley, Staffordshire, WS15 3EX

Replacement entrance gates.

1168 - P/2018/01425: 5 Marcia Rice Court, High Street, Abbots Bromley, Staffordshire, WS15 3BL

Crown raising of Oak Tree (TPO 64)

1170 - P/2018/01427: Radmore Farm, Radmore Lane, Abbots Bromley, Staffordshire, WS15 3AT

Erection of a single storey extension to the West elevation

1171 - P/2018/01395: 5 Marcia Rice Court, High Street, Abbots Bromley, Staffordshire, WS15 3BL

Felling of conifer

Refused

1165 - P/2018/01383: The Willows, Hobb Lane, Marchington Woodlands, ST14 8RG

Erection of a building to store machinery and implements, hay and straw for housing of livestock.

6. Financial Matters

A Record of payments made after discussion with Chairman or Vice Chairman

B Record of payments for which authorisation will be sought at meeting

<i>Vch/Chq</i>	<i>Payee</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>Details</i>
55/1810	Mr G McCulloch	300.00	Grounds Maintenance & Highways
56/1811	Mrs Sarah Meads	406.79	December Salary
57/1812	Reprotec	21.96	Photocopy costs
58/1813	HMRC	231.01	PAYE

RESOLVED : that the above payments would be made

C Record of payments received

Date	Amount	Details
24 th Dec 18	£345.00	Donation from RBL and AB Cricket Club for the War Memorial refurbishment.

iv. Budget Planning

Budget 2019/20

The Clerk presented the proposed budget and explained that the precept has not increased in 9 years. In order to meet the financial requirements that the PC now has, especially considering the removal of the devolved maintenance payment from the County Council, there was now a requirement for the precept to be increased. It was agreed that the precept would be increased to £24,344. This would give an increase in the cost for a band D property to £30.42/annum which is an increase of £2.50 per household.

RESOLVED : To accept the proposed budget for 2019/20. Proposed Cllr J Houlihan, seconded Cllr P Ryan. All members in favour. (Appendix 1)

7. Date, time and place of future meetings

January Parish Council Meeting, 7.00pm Wed 30th January 2019 – Village Hall

There being no other business the chairman declared the meeting closed.

Signed _____ Date 30th January 2019