

**Minutes of Little Bealings Parish Council meeting held at Bealings Village Hall at  
7.15pm on Monday 3 June 2019**

**Present:** Mr I Ransome (Chairman), Ms D Head, Mr D Hunter, Ms H Saagi and Mrs M Wilson

**In attendance:** Mrs C Ramsden, Clerk to the Council

**Also present:** Mrs M Davis (Leader, Save The Admiral's Head Group (STAHG), one resident of Little Bealings and a member of Great Bealings Parish Council, in a personal capacity, (for all/part of the meeting)

## **1 Apologies, Declarations of Interest and Dispensation Requests**

Apologies had been received from Mr M Garnham, due to a family commitment and Dr C Hopkins who was away. It was **RESOLVED:**

- To accept the apologies for absence.

District Councillor Colin Hedgley had also sent apologies that he was unable to attend.

There were no declarations of interest or requests for dispensations.

## **2 Public Participation Session**

### **Sale of the Admiral's Head**

The resident of Gt Bealings sought clarification as to the relationship between the Asset of Community Value listing and the Council, and whether the Council was intending to bid to purchase the Admiral's Head. He challenged why discussion of the matter at the meeting proposed to exclude the public, as he considered that the matter was of relevance to the wider community and a public meeting should be held. He advised that he had experience as a landlord who had secured a change of use for a pub and that the owners could pursue this option if there was no bid. He was advised:

- the Council had properly nominated and secured a further five year listing of the pub as an Asset of Community Value
- the Council had wholly funded and successfully won an appeal by the owners against the second period of listing on its own
- the Council had therefore been the proper body to receive notification from ESC of the owners' intention to sell
- the public would be rightly excluded for discussion of the matter at the meeting, as they had been previously during the ACV appeal process, due to discussion being commercially sensitive
- the leader of STAHG had been invited to present information to the Council while the public were excluded, to establish if it would be preparing a community bid and to inform the Council as to what a bid entailed
- any member of the public who wished to participate in a community bid could join STAHG
- the owners had already been refused 'change of use' and the Council was aware that the pub needed to be marketed realistically before any further application was likely to succeed
- the owners had been invited to attend the meeting but had not replied
- the Council had received an email from Gt Bealings Parish Council, to which it would reply in due course

- the Council's decision in respect of a notification to ESC regarding a community intention to bid would be in the public domain.

### Highways

A resident did not wish to speak on this item but requested that it be moved up the Agenda in order that she could hear the Council's consideration of this item before item 4.

## 3 Planning

### 3.1 DC/19/1896/FUL: Proposed Erection of a Single Storey Outbuilding (Pool House) – Bealings Holt, Martlesham Road

It was noted that one neighbour had commented that the application was late and the building had already been built. It was also noted that the application did not include the construction of a pool. It was **RESOLVED**:

- That there was no objection to the application, so long as use was private and not to facilitate commercial use of the swimming pool approved for construction on the adjacent land

### 3.2 DC/19/1905/FUL: Proposed pair of detached single storey dwellings – Site at Beacons Oaks, Martlesham Road

It was noted that the only neighbour to the site had been advised of the application. The site was the same location as that for which permission had recently been refused for the erection of four dwellings by ESC, being development in the countryside, poor layout in relation to adjoining properties and being within 13km of three designated European Sites to be protected, including two RAMSAR sites. It was **RESOLVED**:

- To object to the application on the above grounds

### 3.3 Sizewell C Nuclear Power Station – EIA Scoping Notification and Consultation

It was noted that some changes had been made to the application previously considered, in respect of the road and rail access strategies. It was **RESOLVED**:

- To recommend that the following surveys and impact assessments should be required in respect of the impact of the road and rail strategies on the parish:
  - wildlife
  - public access along rights of way
  - traffic, including the impact of traffic displaced from other roads by the increased volume of traffic to/from the development site
  - noise assessment in respect of both railway line and crossing construction works and as a result of the increased train movements proposed.

### 3.4 Update on Applications

ESC had approved the following two applications:

**DC/19/1336/TPO: The Chestnuts, Martlesham Road: T1 - 3 oaks on east boundary – reduce crowns by 2-3 metres to reduce neighbour overhang; T4 – Sweet Chestnut – crown lift by 5m over parking area; T6 – Sweet Chestnut – fallen tree with former lateral limb now as main stem; fell because tree is structurally unstable; T8 - Birch – fell because of advanced basal decay; T9 – Birch – fell, tree in decline and poor condition; T11-12 – Poplars, windblown**

**and a risk to railway, fell. Formal consent is not required for removal of dead trees, deadwood or strom (sic) damaged limbs**

#### **DC/19/1384/FUL: Erection of Single Storey Extension - 68 Martlesham Road**

##### **1 Holly Lane**

It was noted that permission had previously been refused for the erection of a 3 bed detached dwelling with detached garage and store at 1 Holly Lane but that a digger was on site and an extension to the property was under construction. It was

**RESOLVED:**

- To ask ESC whether the current development required planning permission.

#### **4 Highways**

##### **SAVID: SID Insurance**

It was noted that the Council's insurers had confirmed that the Council and volunteers would be covered by the Council's insurance when moving the SID and for any accidents that may involve the public. However, it remained the case that it would not insure the SID when it was in the Council's possession. It had advised that one parish council should take responsibility for adding it to its policy and agreement reached in respect of apportioning the premium and payment of the excess in the event of a claim. If the Council wished to add the SID to its policy the annual premium would be £23.59.

It was also noted that Gt Bealings had insured the SID it used, but this was because it was wholly responsible for it and had possession of it. It was **RESOLVED:**

- that this information be passed to SAVID for consideration at its meeting on 21 June, with a view to an agreement being reached as to which parish council would insure the SID, the apportionment of the premium and the payment of the excess in the event of a claim.

**It was RESOLVED:**

- That the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the consideration of the next item on the Agenda, the Sale of the Admiral's Head, on the grounds that their presence is prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, namely the commercial sensitivity of consideration of a community bid for the property.

**The next part of the minutes of the meeting are exempt from publication in accordance with Standing Order 3(b) and S1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 on the grounds that publicity of the Council's consideration of a community bid for the property would be prejudicial to the public interest due to its commercial sensitivity.**

#### **6 Date of Next Meeting**

The next scheduled meeting of the Council would be on 1 July 2019.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 8.40pm.