

BENSON PARISH COUNCIL

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Benson Parish Council Planning Committee meeting held on Thursday 5th November 2015 at 7:30PM in the Parish Hall Lounge Minutes

Present: Cllr J Fowler (CJF) Cllr R Jordan (CRJ)
Cllr P Murray (CPM) Cllr D Olley (CDO)
Cllr R Workman (CRW)

Proper Officer: P Eldridge

There was 1 member of the public present.

1. **Apologies.** Cllr P Peers.
2. **Declarations of Interest.** – There were no declarations of interest.
3. **Public Session.** The member of the public present spoke very briefly to the chairman explaining that the Bensington Society reaction to the new proposal for 241 additional houses on the Littleworth Road site is that it is disastrous. The resident continued that he felt the application should be objected to on the same grounds as the original application.
4. **To consider the following applications:**
 - a. **BPC42/15/P15/S3438/HH.** 10 Pensfield, Benson, OX10 6PD.
Insertion of window to side elevation.
Members unanimously resolved to return no objections.
5. **To note Planning Decisions as follows:**
 - a. **BPC38/15/P15/S2904/HH.** Brookside, Brook Street, Benson OX10 6LJ.
The re-positioning of the existing entrance gates & associated alterations to the boundary wall
Permission Granted.
6. **Benson Additional Housing.** To agree the Benson Parish Council approach should SODC decide on additional houses for Benson beyond that allocated at Littleworth Road are required.
Cllr Fowler moved to suspend the meeting to enable the member of the public to address the chairman.
Members unanimously resolved to Suspend Standing Orders.
The member of the public addressed the chairman on the recent proposal by West Waddy ADP to make a planning application for an additional 241 houses on the Littleworth Development site and the requirements for processing a new Neighbourhood Plan.

Action: Cllr J Fowler to write to SODC Planning Officer P Fox to report on the recent meeting with West Waddy.

Members unanimously resolved to Resume Standing Orders.

Members discussed the implications of proceeding with a new “fast track” Benson Neighbourhood Plan funded by SODC. At the end of the discussion it was unanimously agreed to make a recommendation to full council:

**Recommendation to Full Council that Benson Parish Council proceeds
with a Fast Track Neighbourhood Plan funded by SODC.**

Members also agreed to hold a Public meeting to inform residents about the West

Waddy application and the resurrection of the Neighbourhood Plan. It was felt a meeting during December would be appropriate.

7. **Any Other Items to Note or for the Next Agenda.** There were no items to note.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'PEldridge', written in a cursive style.

P Eldridge
Parish Clerk
11th November 2015