

# ST STEPHEN PARISH COUNCIL

Bricket Wood, Chiswell Green and Park Street

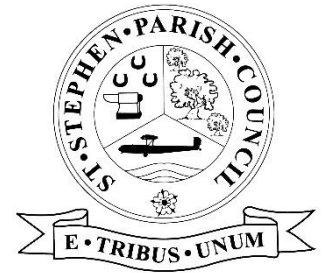
THE PARISH CENTRE STATION ROAD BRICKET WOOD

ST ALBANS HERTS AL2 3PJ

Tel: 01923 681443

Email: [clerk@ststephenparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@ststephenparishcouncil.gov.uk)

Web: [www.ststephenparishcouncil.gov.uk](http://www.ststephenparishcouncil.gov.uk)



## Councillors Present

David Brannen

Ajanta Hilton

David Parry

David Yates

Martin Doyle

Dorothy Kerry

Bill Pryce (Chair)

Also present: Isabel Crozier - Assistant Clerk (taking minutes),  
7 members of the public

Minutes of the **Planning Committee meeting** held on  
**THURSDAY 8 April 2021 at 7.30pm**

Venue: **remote meeting via [www.zoom.us](http://www.zoom.us) due to coronavirus restrictions**

2021/PC/073 To receive and accept apologies for absence  
None

2021/PC/074 To receive declarations of interest and dispensations  
a) To receive declarations of interest from Councillors on items on the agenda  
Cllr Parry declared a non-pecuniary interest in Land rear of 4A Frogmore  
which features in the planning list  
b) To receive written requests for dispensations for declarable interests  
None  
c) To grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate  
None

2021/PC/075 To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 11 March 2021  
**CONFIRMED:** *Proposed Cllr Kerry, seconded Cllr Brannen, unanimous*  
that the minutes be approved as a true record

2021/PC/076 Public participation – to receive petitions, comments and questions  
Cllr Kerry provide some background information about an application in the  
planning list, 5/2021/0208 land to the rear of 76-80 Oakwood Wood.  
A member of the public spoke as a representative of several of the members  
of the public present to voice concerns about this application.  
**RESOLVED:** *Proposed Cllr Kerry, seconded Cllr Brannen, unanimous*  
that the following comments be agreed in relation to this application  
“Strong Objection - Over development of the plot. Tree felling to date and  
extra felling required fundamentally changes the character of the area and  
has had and will have a further adverse effect on wildlife/biodiversity. There is  
insufficient room for replanting previously illegally felled trees. The  
development would cause extra pressure on an already flood prone area.  
Width of access road insufficient for fire engines and refuse lorries, leading to  
the need for up to 12 wheelie bins plus paper and food waste boxes to be left  
on Oakwood Road. Insufficient parking allocation with no additional capacity

on Oakwood Road. The predominance of vehicle parking along the frontage of the properties would be out of keeping with the existing street scene. In summary the Council believe that this development would cause material harm to the character and appearance of the area.”

5 members of the public left the meeting.

2021/PC/077 Planning list comments

To consider and agree comments on major planning applications, planning applications, appeal notifications, tree work, consultations as on the Planning List

- i) Major planning applications – none
- ii) Planning applications – comments as recorded on planning list
- iii) Appeal notifications – no comments
- iv) Tree work– comments as recorded on planning list
- v) Consultations – no comments

**RESOLVED:** *Proposed Cllr Parry, seconded Cllr Pryce, unanimous* that the comments for i – v above, as recorded on the Planning List, Mar-Apr 2021, be agreed.

2021/PC/078 To note appeal decisions, certificates of lawfulness, prior notifications, decisions, as on the Planning List

Noted

2021/PC/079 To receive reports

a) Enforcement updates  
None

b) SADC Local Plan  
None

c) Neighbourhood Plan update  
The Neighbourhood Plan Steering group met with SADC officers to agree final minor changes to the draft plan. Following the election SADC should progress to Regulation 16.

d) Goods Vehicle Licence application for the former Travis Perkins site  
The Parish Council received a response to their consultation response from the Office of the Traffic Commissioners stating that the Parish Council could not make a representation unless the Goods Vehicle Licence would have a direct impact on land they owned. The Committee felt that it would be more appropriate to contact the operators of the site directly to discuss concerns about lorry movements. This is to be agreed at Full Council on 15 April.

The meeting closed at 8.50pm

Chair

Date