

Bere Ferrers Parish Council

At a Zoom meeting of the Plans Committee held on Tuesday 25th August 2020.

Present

Cllr. G. Reed	Chairman
Cllr. B. Lamb	Chairman of the Council
Cllr. P. Crozier	Cllr. H. Peace
Cllr. R. Maycock	

In Attendance Dave Pengelly

587. Apologies

Cllr. Wager was absence.

588. Notification of items for information at the discretion of the Chairman. No action can be taken on these items.

Cllr. Peace stated she had a personal interest with application 2214/20/HHO due to her friendship with the applicant.

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Cllr. Lamb confirmed the new defibrillator will be placed in the box at the toilets on Wednesday 26th August.

590. To deal with Planning Applications for comment. Interested parties are invited to comment on applications they have an interest in before a decision is made, at the discretion of the Chairman.

2214/20/HHO Ms D Cox

Householder application for clearing of ground and erection of a greenhouse in the garden (part retrospective) at Broad Park Road, Bere Alston, PL20 7DX.

The Assistant Clerk stated there were three objections to this application, all from the same person, which had been emailed to all members of the Committee, prior to the meeting for them to read.

Discussions took place, including the location of the greenhouse and its close proximity to the next door neighbour's property.

Comments Object. The Council are against the application only due to the location of the greenhouse. It requests the applicant revises the location of the greenhouse and resubmit the application.

2275/20/FUL Mr. L Babbs

Proposed agricultural shed at rear of Higher Wottons Farm, Bere Alston.

Comments The Council supports this application.

2070/20/TPO Hampson

T1: Ash - Remove. Tree is showing signs of ash dieback.

T2: Weeping Ash - Remove. Tree is showing signs of ash dieback and significant amount of tree is dead and at risk of failure.

T3: Chestnut - Reduction of extended branch on South side at 6m from ground level by up to 4m. Branch has damage, decay at Tavy Court, Bere Ferrers, PL20 7JX.

Discussions took place.

Comments The Council approve this application, but asked the Tree Officer ensures the Chestnut tree (T3) is not felled.

2371/20/FUL Mr. & Mrs. R Langton
Change of use of agricultural land to residential curtilage at Broomwell, Tuckermarsh Lane, Bere Alston, PL20 7HB

Cllr. Crozier asked if this would affect the public right of way, Cllr Peace confirmed it would not.

Comments. The Council approves this application.

591. Take note of any Planning Applications noted after consideration by the Borough.

1330/20/LBC Quay View School, Bere Alston, PL20 7EX
Listed building consent for internal and external remedial works, decoration and repair.
Removal of internal partition walls to increase dining room area.

Decision: Conditional Approval

1446/20/HHO Mr D High, Claremont, 2 Station Road, Bere Ferrers, PL20 7JT.
Householder application for erection of single storey rear extension

Decision: Conditional Approval

1455/20/HHO Mr & Mrs J Beckly, Shutecombe Farm, Hensbury Lane, Bere Ferrers, PL20 7LA.
Householder application for proposed ground and first floor extensions.

Decision: Conditional Approval

0869/20/FUL P, E & M Williams, Land at SX 424 656, North East of South Hooe Mine, Bere Alston
Proposed agricultural winery with associated parking, including reconfiguration of existing vehicle entrance.

Decision: Conditional Approval

2003/20/AGR Mr A Ball, Land at SX 461 645 Hensbury Farm, Bere Ferrers,
Application for prior notification of agricultural or forestry development – proposed agricultural storage and livestock building.

Decision: Ag Determination details required

1697/20/HHO Mr M Chamberlaine, 25 Underways, Bere Alston PL20 7HE
Householder application for erection of timber framed canopy over front door.

Decision: Conditional Approval

592. Enforcement cases taken into Part 2

Cllr. Crozier proposed going into Part 2, seconded by Cllr. Lamb.

Discussions took place.

Cllr. Peace proposed coming out of Part 2, seconded by Cllr. Reed.

593. Changes in Planning Law

Cllr. Lamb brought up issues he had with the Changes in Planning Law.

- 1) Feels the enforcement powers should be strengthen, but there are no changes suggested.
- 2) It is proposing that if the applicant is successful in their appeal, they get back their planning application cost. Feels this is unfair to Councils and untenable especially for small Councils.
- 3) There is nothing in the document regarding Developers who do not start developing the land. Cllr. Reed confirmed that they would have to renew planning application, if not started within 3 years.
- 4) They are going to allow major developments to be given permission under their planning in principle rules. Therefore major developments can commence, without any details of what the development is and the design and with no opportunity for consultation.

Cllr. Lamb proposed Cllr. Crozier and Cllr. Reed form a sub-committee to discuss the Changes to the Planning Law and put together a response for District Council. To confirm the letter at Full Council meeting at the end of September.

594. World Heritage Site Management Plan

Cllr. Crozier stated a good job had been done on the management plan. Cllr Reed requested the Assistant Clerk write a letter to say we are in receipt of the plan and we would like to compliment them on the quality and the good job they have done.

595. CCTV Installation

Cllr. Lamb confirmed there are a number of stakeholders, the owner of the garages, Beregen, possibly the Social Club and the Youth Club who all may or may not want to contribute to the scheme with the Council.

A company from Exeter has surveyed the area and quoted a cost of £13,000; this includes 5 cameras around the area and includes a special camera installed in Sarah Park at the rear of the Club.

Cllr. Lamb has been in contact with the Police Crime Commissioner office and was initially told we would get a grant, but it was turned down, the reason, there is not enough crime in Bere Alston. A letter has been sent outlining the crime that has occurred and the effects it has had on the population, particularly on the elderly. Still awaiting a response. Cllr. Lamb stated that if the grant was given, it would only cover a third of the cost (approximately £4,000), so would still need to raise the remaining amount. Cllr. Reed asked what contribution the Council could afford, Cllr Lamb stated he could not state at this time and needed to consult with members of the General Purposes and Finance.

596. Correspondence.

- 1) Location of the electric car charging points. Cllr. Reed stated The Clerk and Cllr. Lamb had identified a suitable location. Cllr. Reed asked the Committee if they were happy for him to proceed with further enquiries with the appropriate people and follow up options for obtaining funding and grants.

Cllr. Lamb proposed, seconded by Cllr. Peace.

2) Cllr. Reed and Cllr. Crozier to attend the webinar session on the Changing in Planning Law on 17th September 2020. Cost of £15 per delegate.

There being no further business the Chairman thanked Committee members and declared the zoom meeting closed at 8.13 pm.