

existing 3 bay garage to form gym and games room. Relocation of tennis court approved by virtue of application ref:P05/E1220 including change of use of land to domestic recreational land. Removal of machinery store and erection of new office building. Erection of stables and replacement machinery/hay store with new gravel drive and hard standing including change of use of land for equestrian purposes.

IT WAS RESOLVED to recommend Refusal: This plan is an application of change of use from residential & agricultural use to business based on a livery stable. The plan does not provide the full picture of what is required to support a stable of up to 14 horses. Where is the tack room? Where is the parking place for horse boxes and visiting customers? Will additional building be required?

Access along the bridle path from Greenmore is suitable for residential use but not for the increased traffic caused by this business. Any access via the track leading from the A4074 would be strongly opposed by the council.

Require an updated environmental impact report and the council also awaits the report from the ecology officer, in particular the affect on the bat population.

The building proposed to replace the machine store looks remarkably like a residential property.

(6) PLANNING APPLICATIONS GRANTED, REFUSED AND OTHER PLANNING MATTERS

PLANNING APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED

P09/E0197 The Old Forge, South Stoke Road

Parish Council
Recommendation
Approval

PLANNING APPLICATIONS REFUSED

None

OTHER PLANNING MATTERS

Mrs. Preston agreed to attend the next planning meeting and speak against the application P09/E1323 Land adj 4 Goring Road. Clerk to inform planning dept.

CLERK - done

Following a request from Mr. Peter Tyler it was agreed that £62.00 + VAT would be spent on replacing the Woodcote Best Village sign that had been removed.

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The Clerk was asked to write to OCC Highways to see if by chance, they had removed the sign when they put in a new Woodcote Sign in Reading Road.

CLERK – done

It was reported that a cable had been laid across Wood Green road attached to the Camper Van belonging to Mr. Holland. Clerk to ask PCSO Mark Bell to investigate.

CLERK - done

(7) REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR

Cllr. John Farrow not present.

(8) REPORT FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLOR

Cllr. Robin Peirce the imminent roll out of waste and recycling bins in Woodcote.

(9) FINANCE

(i) Payments in May 2009

The following payments were agreed:

3018	Mr. Jordan	Litter Pickers/Bags	47.56
3019	Mr. Jordan	Litter Picker	9.99
3020	Mr. Jordan	Stationery	38.07
3021	OALC	Subscription '09/10	444.72
3022	Berinsfield	Grass Cutting	256.05
3023	HM Revenue	Apr '09	430.10
3024	ORCC	Subscription '09/10	20.00
3025	Woodcote Comm Cntr	Room Hire	8.00
3026	Mrs. Pennial	Best Village Expenses	35.03
3027	Mr. Smallbone	Litter Clearance	125.00
3028	SG Creative Solns.	Web site Maitenance	201.00
	Total		£ 1,615.52

(ii) Receipts in April 2009

01.04.09	Chilterms	Pond Work	302.00
28.04.09	Natwest Treasury A/c		14.49
03.04.09	Precept		27,420.00

APRIL TOTAL 27,736.49

(iii) Transfers in April 2009 None

(iv) Request for Grants

(i) Open Spaces Not agreed

(v) Audit for 2008/09

The Clerk reported that the Internal Audit was complete and referred the meeting to the problem of Online Banking being illegal according to the 1972 Local Government Act. The external auditors BDO had advised that On Line

Banking would be noted in any Audit Report but it was unlikely that sanctions would be imposed.

(10) ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

No further actions required.

(11) ONLINE PLANNING

The Clerk reported on the forum he had attended regarding moving councils to “paperless planning”. He saw no problem with moving to online response to plans and he proposed to do so forthwith. However, those councils attending the forum all requested that they would prefer to receive plans on paper and the Council accepted that this was their preference as well.

(12) YOUTH MATTERS

Mrs. Karen Woolley reported that the Youth Development Group had been disbanded and a new Youth Centre Management Committee will be set up. CHILLOUT funding was awaited and she was approaching John Howell MP for support in this matter.

(13) CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

The following Correspondence was noted except where specifically annotated.

A.

- North Berks Football League
- OCC Primary School Review
- NHS Determination of Rurality
- SODC Planning Appeals
- Adrienne Gliddon – Granite Setts

The Clerk to respond with a proposal to Henley Council to enlist John Howell MP’s support for the upkeep of granite setts. **CLERK - done**

- NHS Trust Forum

B. For Information, Not Requiring Action

- OPFA The Playing Field Spring 2009
- Equality & Human Rights
- Chiltern Commons Funding Bid
- Chiltern Commons Network Spring 2009
- Standard Committee Meeting March 2009
- Chiltern Views Spring 2009
- Clerks Direct Magazine May 2009

(14) EMERGENCY QUESTIONS TO THE CHAIRMAN

Mrs. Diana Hadaway recounted the problem of the local bus stopping at the bus stop at Pear Tree Cottage and infringing the privacy of the resident there. The Clerk agreed to write to Thames Travel to insist that their buses stop with the front adjacent to the bus stop to avoid this problem. **CLERK - done**

Mr. Lynch warned the Council that “swine flu” has a high expectation of hitting the area in Septemeber 2009. The Clerk to ask Dr. Stephen Richards for advice. **CLERK**

Mrs. Fiona Preston announced that Mr. Peter Woods was resigning as a councillor after some 20 years of service.

The meeting closed at 10.05 pm.

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