

BRANKSOME PARK & CANFORD CLIFFS

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MINUTES OF THE BRANKSOME PARK & CANFORD CLIFFS

RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 13th OCTOBER 2021 AT 7.30PM IN THE MAIN HALL, BRANKSOME ST. ALDHELM'S PARISH CENTRE

PRESENT:

John Sprackling (JS) President
Dugald Eadie (DE) Acting Chairman
Dugald Eadie (DE) Planning Officer
John Gunton (JG) Magazine Editor
Vicky Moss (VM) Special Projects Co-ordinator

Cllr May Haines (MH) Ward Councillor

Cllr Mohan Iyengar (MI) Ward Councillor

Approximately 10 members and Wardens

1. APOLOGIES AND ACCURACY OF MINUTES

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DE welcomed those present.

Apologies: Carol Parkin (Secretary/Minutes Secretary) Roger Allen (Magazine Advertising), Jackie Heap (Hon Treasurer), Christine Norman & Chris and Lesley Stacey.

None

Accuracy: DE signed the Minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting held on 08 SEPTEMBER 2021

2. MATTERS ARISING

JS

Association AGM on 11 December 2021. - It had been planned to hold the AGM at Canford Cliffs Hall but the trustees have imposed restrictions on the use of the hall (i.e. a capacity limit of 15 persons, closed kitchen etc.). Unfortunately, it is impossible to say, at the moment, whether conditions will improve sufficiently by early December for the trustees to be able to lift the



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restrictions in order to enable 'business-as-usual'

In the circumstances, it is planned to use the Main Hall at Branksome St Aldhelm's Parish Centre or All Saints Church Hall

Post meeting note: We were informed at an Exec Committee meeting in May that "Canford Cliffs Village Hall has been booked for the AGM which will be held on December 11" but we didn't discover until 12 October 2021 that the trustees had imposed a capacity limit on the use of the Hall of 15 persons and closed kitchen etc. *"Unfortunately, it is impossible to say at the moment whether conditions will improve sufficiently by early December for the trustees to be able to lift the restrictions in order to enable 'business-as-usual'. The plan is for a gradual relaxation when the prevalence of the virus reduces to safer levels, but case rates are remaining stubbornly high both locally and nationally."*

St Aldhelms Parish Centre has already been pre-booked for another event and the Association is investigating All Saints Church Hall as an alternative venue.

Flooding at Links Road – This has yet to be resolved. MH now knows the identity of the member who raised this at the previous meeting and will follow up.

11a Bury Road - At this stage, the wooden structure in the rear garden is classified as permitted development not requiring permission, no enforcement action can be actioned. However, Enforcement action can be sought for this 'temporary' structure to be taken down, if the situation does change and the structure is used for other purposes, other than for storage,

ACTION

MH

**No further
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3. UP-DATE ON IMPROVEMENTS IN PROCESSING OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS BY BCP PLANNING DEPT:

Ongoing

MI reported that Cllr Phillip Broadhead, who is the Portfolio Holder responsible for planning is in discussion with Nick Perrins regarding this issue. The Planning Department is, currently, being run as separate units, Bournemouth, Christchurch & Poole but the long-term plan is for the three units to be amalgamated and work is already underway to produce one Local Plan covering all three towns. It is accepted that the Planning Department is, currently, under-resourced and there has been some recruitment.

DE said that he had observed that the simple Planning Applications were being dealt with quickly but the more contentious applications were taking far longer.

JS observed that Planning Application APP/21/01294/F -17 Lindsay Road (Demolish existing buildings and erect 2 storey block of 8 flats with parking, bin and cycle stores) was registered & validated on 26 August 2021, but no case officer has been appointed and no Yellow site notice has been posted at the site.

4. VEHICLES PARKED IN "BRANKSOME PARK WOODS CAR PARK", PINE DRIVE (ENTRANCE VIA ST ALDHELM'S CLOSE

MH reported that she has been working with Cllr O'Neill (Penn Hill) on this as he had received recent queries on this from some of his residents.

No further action

MH & Cllr O'Neill had contacted highways because there was a possibility that the recovery vehicle needs a permit to be parked on public land. The two Councillors had also asked the housing team to engage once more. Clearly they have resolved the land ownership issues and served a notice to leave as it is classified as an unauthorised encampment.

The notice was posted on 09 October 2021 and all vehicles have left the car park apart from the White Mercedes Van, which is immobile.

5. PLANNING REPORT. -

DE



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28 Bury Road (APP/20/00900/F)

This is a proposal to replace a tennis court with a detached house. The site already has a history of similar attempts, and this one would be particularly damaging for the house on Canford Cliffs Road which backs on to it. There is also concern about the impact on the footpath which joins Canford Cliffs Road to Bury Road. As this is in a Conservation Area, the site-splitting should not be allowed. The application was **Refused** on 27 September 2021.

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2-4 Leicester Road (APP/20/00276/F)

This proposal to demolish three bungalows and replace them with three blocks of flats was **Refused** on 4 June 21, but has now gone to appeal, starting 6 September 2021. This is yet another example of a development which should not be allowed in the Conservation Area, and it would also have serious traffic implications for the stretch of road next to the plot (between two sets of traffic lights).

4 Canford Crescent (APP/21/00204/F)

This application for two detached houses to replace the existing one has been **Refused** on 24 September 21.

MH advised that the appeal for a previous application for a block of 5 apartments was dismissed on 13 October 2021

6. TREASURER'S REPORT:- Cash balance held at 30 September 2021 - £41,113.07

JH

7. WINTER 2021 'PINES & CHINES' MAGAZINE – The magazine is, currently, with the printers for the first draft and it is planned to have the magazine available for distribution to Wardens by the end of this month.

JG

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS -

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1. No Cycling Signs at entrance to Branksome Chine – VM reported that these were 'resurrected' the previous day (Tuesday)

No further action

2. Observance of 8mph speed limit from Pinewood Road entrance to Branksome Dene Chine Car Park & return – A member is concerned that the speed restriction sign has been missing for some time.

MH

This is a single track road and many drivers have little respect for the fact that pedestrians, including many parents, with pushchairs and young children, are obliged to use the roadway too! Some motorists go down there at a great speed and, when spoken to, one just gets a mouthful of abuse.

This is not just a summer situation because the beach at Branksome Dene Chine attracts many paddle boarders, wind and kite surfers who, mostly, travel in vans to transport their equipment, and these activities go on throughout the year no matter what the weather.

As a pedestrian, it is very much a matter of 'your life in their hands' as you walk up or down.

A speed limit, or some kind of traffic calming would make it a whole lot safer. Surely we don't need an accident to occur before anything is done about this?

MH will investigate.

ACTION

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – **Wednesday 10 November 2021**

MH

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