

Bramley Parish Council conference call – 30th April 2020

Participants: Mr Seaborne, Mr Leung, Mr Molineux, Mr Coleman, Mr Hughes, Mr Byham, Mr Stern, Mrs Stern, Mr D’Arcy (Waverley Councillor), the Clerk.

1. Planning

- Members discussed the following planning applications:
 - [WA/2020/0508](#) - The Owls Nest, Links Road, Bramley, GU5 0AL
Erection of extension.
 - [WA/2020/0527](#) - The Ranch House, Primrose Way, Bramley, GU5 0B
Erection of extensions.
 - [WA/2020/0516](#) - Land North of Lydia Park, coordinates 502359 137819, Stovolds Hill, Cranleigh
Change of use of land to residential use for 5 gypsy families. The site to contain 5 static caravans, 5 touring caravans with associated parking, hardstanding and associated works.
 - [WA/2020/0551](#) - Land North of Lydia Park, centred coordinates 502403 137861, Stovolds Hill, Cranleigh
Change of use of land to mixed use to provide 7 gypsy pitches comprising of static caravans, 7 touring caravans with associated parking; 5 amenity buildings, fencing, hardstanding, landscaping and keeping of horses.
 - [WA/2020/0576](#) - St Catherine’s School, Station Road, Bramley, GU5 0DF
Erection of a prefabricated building for a temporary period.
 - [WA/2020/0588](#) - The Firs, High Street, Bramley, GU5 0HS
Alteration to fenestrations.
 - [WA/2020/0554](#) - Wey and Arun Canal between Rushett Common and Birtley Road, Bramley
Erection of a Lifting Bridge over the Wey and Arun canal following removal of existing causeway to include the temporary diversion of Bridleway 261 during construction.
 - [WA/2020/0584](#) - 1A Orchard Cottages, Mill Lane, Bramley, GU5 0JL
Erection of extension.
 - [WA/2020/0589](#) - Thorncombe Farm, Thorncombe Street, Bramley, GU5 0LU
Construction of a swimming pool, erection of a shed and landscaping works following demolition of existing shed.
 - [WA/2020/0590](#) - Thorncombe Farm, Thorncombe Street, Bramley, GU5 0LU
Listed Building consent for construction of a swimming pool, erection of a shed and landscaping works following demolition of existing shed.

Click on the above links for details of each application and to view the Parish Council’s comments.

2. Update on volunteer community support scheme

- Mr Coleman reported that he has been coordinating activity since Monday. To date 72 Bramley residents have been helped through the database of 103 volunteers.
- The Clerk was asked to repeat the thanks to volunteers in Bramley Update as well as report the above statistics and the contact details for anyone who needs to help.
- Mr Coleman will hand over the coordination to Mr Hughes on Sunday evening.

3. Status of BPC staff and facilities

- Clerk confirmed that all staff remain healthy and facilities are secure.

- Mr Seaborne suggested that implications in any ease in lockdown should be on the agenda to be discussed next week.

4. Financial implications of Covid-19

- The Clerk circulated a spreadsheet showing fixed costs and income expectations to September 2020. The figures assumed no change in current circumstances (e.g. no income from Village Hall, etc).
- A grant of £2,000 was budgeted for Citizens Advice Waverley. Members agreed to issue grant of 50% (£1,000) now, with a view to issuing the second half when the Council has more clarity about its full year financial situation. Clerk to action.
- Members agreed to continue to monitor financial implications of the Covid-19 pandemic and review further once there is a long term view on when the Village Hall can be reopened.

5. AOB

- Clerk reported that some unknown equipment has been fixed to a street lamp post on Station Road. Permission for this equipment has not been sought. The Clerk has enquired with Surrey Highways, Waverley Borough Council and St Catherine's School – none of whom know what the equipment is nor who it belongs to. The Clerk was asked to arrange to have the equipment safely removed and a notice put on the post to contact the Clerk in order to retrieve the equipment.
- Mrs Stern reported that a resident of Birtley Road has been using the grass verge alongside the Downs Link to the rear of his property to burn garden waste causing a fire hazard to neighbouring properties. This land belongs to Surrey County Council. The Clerk was asked to report this issue to the Surrey Countryside Access Team and to include a request in Bramley Update that residents should not use this land as an extension of their gardens. Residents should also not build concrete pathways from their garden gates across the grass verge to the Downs Link path without permission from Surrey County Council.