

Minutes of the Planning/General Purposes and Finance Committee meeting held in the Council Chamber, Unit 2 Saxton, Parklands, Railton Road, Guildford, Surrey, GU2 9JX at 7.30pm on Thursday 12 June 2025

2025-189 - Present

Councillors:

Cllr B Ahier, Cllr N Crampin, Cllr N Mitchell (Chairman of the meeting), Cllr B Nagle, and Cllr T Wright.

Officers of the Council:

Victoria Fear – Assistant Clerk

Members of the public:

No members of the public were present.

2025-190 - Chairman's Announcements

The Chairman gave the health and safety announcements.

2025-191 - To accept apologies and reason for absence in accordance with the LGA 1972, Sch 1, para 40

Apologies and reason for absence were received from Cllr D Bird and Cllr M Price.

Apologies were also received from the Clerk to the Council (Gaynor White).

2025-192 - Election of Chairman for the Planning/General Purposes and Finance Committee for the municipal year 2025/2026

It was proposed by Cllr B Ahier, seconded by Cllr T Wright and unanimously **RESOLVED** that Cllr M Price be elected as Chairman of the Planning/General Purposes and Finance Committee for the municipal year 2025/2026.

2025-193 - Public Participation

No members were present.

2025-194 - Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPIs) - by councillors in accordance with the Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012 (SI 2012 No 1464)

No declarations were made.

2025-195 - Amendments to the Register of Interests

No amendments were made.

2025-196 - To receive and consider written requests for new DPI dispensations, if any

No requests were received.

2025-197 - Declaration of non-pecuniary Interests

No declarations were made.

2025-198 - Declaration of gifts or hospitality over £50

No declarations were made.

2025-199 - Planning Applications for consideration:

Planning Application No: 25/W/00047 - Whipley Farm, Aldershot Road, Normandy, Guildford, GU3 2BE - Application for prior approval for the change of use from agriculture to flexible commercial use to provide storage (Use Class B8) under Schedule 2, Part 3, Class R of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 (as amended).

It was **RESOLVED**: leave to planners.

Planning Application No: 25/P/00591 - Willow Brook Cottage, Ashbrook, White Hart Lane, Wood Street Village, Guildford, GU3 3EA - Construction of a 2-bedroom bungalow following demolition of an existing dwelling (self-build).

It was **RESOLVED**: that the Parish Council raise the following concerns:

- 1. Within the submitted plans there are anomalies re the extent of the blue lined area.
- 2. The red line area includes a separate property (Ashbrook).
- 3. There are inaccuracies in the sustainability Design Statement (references in Part 1 to south facing roof design (2b), large amount of glazing to the front of the property (2c), and cycle and waste stores (4a) none of which is reflected in the submitted plans).

In the event that this planning application is approved, the Parish Council wishes to request the following:

- 1. Permitted Development Rights be removed.
- 2. A pre-commencement condition survey of the bridge situated over the watercourse (What3Words location ///outfitter.signs.curated) must be carried out, together with a post condition survey this bridge is an asset belonging to Surrey County Council. The bridge to be brought back to its pre-commencement condition at the cost of the planning applicant.
- 3. Due to the location of this dwelling, a Construction Method Statement should be required.

Planning Application No: 25/P/00719 - 106 Frog Grove Lane, Guildford, GU3 3HA - Erection of office and associated storage building (retrospective).

It was **RESOLVED**: that the Parish Council comment as follows:

The Parish Council is:

- 1. Disappointed that this building has been constructed without planning permission in the Green Belt in an area that is susceptible to flooding.
- 2. Also disappointed that despite this building being utilised for some years as a commercial premises, the premises do not appear to have been registered with the VOA (Valuation Office Agency) for business rate purposes.
- 3. Supportive of the employment benefits and appreciates the apprenticeships being offered.

Planning Appeal Ref: APP/Y3615/W/25/3365890 - Jacobs Well Village Hall – For information only - an appeal has been lodged against the refusal of planning application number 25/P/00346.

The Parish Council's previous comments would be taken into consideration by the Planning Inspector.

2025-200 - Roadside Rangers - Spring Clean

Cllr K Witham had advised that Surrey County Council's Roadside Rangers will be carrying out a Spring clean.

It was agreed Worplesdon Parish Council would nominate the following locations for a Spring Clean (in priority order):

- 1. Drainage ditch Broad Street Common abutting Broad Street.
- 2. Frog Grove Lane (cricket club access track to SANG lay-by) cut back vegetation and clear out ditch.
- 3. Pavement Pitch Place (Rifle Range to Salt Box roundabout) cut back vegetation and side out footpath.
- 4. Junction of Frog Grove Lane and the Aldershot Road cut back vegetation to improve sightlines.

2025-201 - Jazz Festival - Challengers 20 July 2025

The revised risk assessment had been circulated to the Planning/General Purposes and Finance Committee Members via email in advance of the meeting. It was proposed by Cllr N Mitchell, seconded by Cllr T Wright and unanimously **RESOLVED** that the revised risk assessment be approved.

It was proposed by Cllr B Ahier, seconded by Cllr B Nagle and **RESOLVED** that the Parish Council award a grant of £500 towards this year's Jazz Festival.

A vote took place. Result of the vote – 3 in favour - Cllr N Crampin and Cllr T Wright abstained. Motion carried.

Power to spend: Local Government Act 1972 section 137(3).

Councillors requested that donations to charities (budget setting process) be reconsidered at the budget setting meeting in Autumn 2025.

2025-202 - Finance:

a) Proposed list of payments to be tabled at the meeting for approval

The payment list was presented to the meeting. It was proposed by Cllr B Nagle, seconded by Cllr N Crampin and unanimously **RESOLVED** that payments to the value of £35,217.95 be approved. The payment list was duly signed by the Chairman, Cllr N Mitchell, during the meeting.

Table 1: Proposed list of payments 12 June 2025

| Code | Date | Description | Supplier | Net | VAT | Total |
|---|------------|---|------------------------------|-----------|--------|-----------|
| Replacement | 09/05/2025 | 2 x Metal 35L Green Dog | Glasdon | 673.36 | 134.67 | 808.03 |
| litter bins | | Bins | Manufacturing Ltd | | | |
| Land Management | 13/05/2025 | Manhole Key | Toolstation | 16.13 | 3.23 | 19.36 |
| Land | 22/05/2025 | Materials | Amazon EU S.a.r.L. | 5.81 | 1.16 | 6.97 |
| Management | 22/05/2025 | Matariala | Amazan FILO a ni | F 20 | 4.00 | 0.40 |
| Land Management | 22/05/2025 | Materials | Amazon EU S.a.r.L. | 5.38 | 1.08 | 6.46 |
| Chairman's Allowance | 22/05/2025 | Wreath from Worplesdon Parish Council | Mrs G F White - Longacres | 42.50 | 8.50 | 51.00 |
| Staff Costs | 22/05/2025 | Salaries/ PAYE/ NI/ Mileage/ Pension Conts Ee's & Er's | Staff Costs | 13,768.27 | 0.00 | 13,768.27 |
| Staff mileage | 22/05/2025 | Mileage | Mrs V C Fear | 29.25 | 0.00 | 29.25 |
| Staff mileage | 22/05/2025 | Mileage | Mrs G F White | 10.40 | 0.00 | 10.40 |
| Equipment | 22/05/2025 | Telescopic pole saw, | Honey Bros Ltd | 257.29 | 51.46 | 308.75 |
| Maintenance IT budget | 23/05/2025 | blade and lopper head Standard Fibre 76 Pro & | BT PLC | 55.95 | 11.19 | 67.14 |
| • | | Digital Line | | | | |
| Establishment Charges | 24/05/2025 | Office supplies | Sainsburys | 3.57 | 0.71 | 4.28 |
| Establishment Charges | 28/05/2025 | PPE for Groundsman | Toolstation | 32.98 | 0.00 | 32.98 |
| IT budget | 28/05/2025 | Office IT equipment | Argos Ltd | 66.66 | 13.33 | 79.99 |
| Land | 28/05/2025 | Hose, reel and connector | Tradepoint | 46.67 | 9.33 | 56.00 |
| Management Land Management | 28/05/2025 | Shelving for shipping container | Rapid Racking Ltd | 27.15 | 5.43 | 32.58 |
| ER Christmas | 28/05/2025 | Arboricultural supervision | TGB Tree Consulting | 277.50 | 0.00 | 277.50 |
| Illuminations | | of excavation within RPAs of surrounding trees on Pitch Place Green | | | | |
| Bank Interest/Charges | 31/05/2025 | Bank charges - April 2025 | Unity Trust Bank | 6.00 | 0.00 | 6.00 |
| Establishment Charges | 01/06/2025 | Office supplies | Sainsburys | 39.00 | 0.00 | 39.00 |
| ER Christmas | 01/06/2025 | 3 x Extra keys for GRP Kiosk Perry Hill Green | Timpson | 18.00 | 0.00 | 18.00 |
| Parish Office | 02/06/2025 | Business rates - Parish Office | Guildford Borough Council | 1,073.00 | 0.00 | 1,073.00 |
| Revenue Costs | 02/06/2025 | Service plan - 17th | PlanMyService LLP | 27.08 | 5.42 | 32.50 |
| Works Vehicle Revenue Costs | 02/06/2025 | instalment of 45 MOT Service plan - 17th | PlanMyService LLP | 3.78 | 0.00 | 3.78 |
| Works Vehicle | 02/00/2020 | instalment of 45 | T Idillity Col Vice EEI | 0.70 | 0.00 | |
| ER Christmas Illuminations | 02/06/2025 | Mains supply to GRP Kiosk Pitch Place Green | UK Power Networks | 2,419.20 | 0.00 | 2,419.20 |
| Establishment | 02/06/2025 | Fee for insufficient | Royal Mail | 1.50 | 0.00 | 1.50 |
| Charges Community Car | 02/06/2025 | Business rates - | Guildford Borough | 101.00 | 0.00 | 101.00 |
| Park Establishment | 04/06/2025 | Community Car Park 2 x Metal filing cabinet | Council Mrs V C Fear - | 2.95 | 0.00 | 2.95 |
| Charges | | replacement keys | lockdoctorservices (ebay) | | | |
| Establishment Charges | 04/06/2025 | Kettle for Council Chamber | Mrs H Lawrence - Asda | 13.00 | 0.00 | 13.00 |
| Grass Cutting | 04/06/2025 | Grass cutting - Month 2 2025 | GCB Gardens | 2,457.25 | 491.45 | 2,948.70 |
| Land | 04/06/2025 | Emptying - Dumpy Bin - | Chambers Waste | 81.11 | 16.22 | 97.33 |
| Management Donations | 05/06/2025 | WSV Community Car Park Donation 2025/26 | Management Crimestoppers | 100.00 | 0.00 | 100.00 |
| PC Grant Aid to | 05/06/2025 | Grant - WSVA - VE Day | Wood Street Village | 500.00 | 0.00 | 500.00 |
| Wards | | 2025 | Association | | | |
| Land Management | 05/06/2025 | Installation of 3 bollards at Perry Hill | Stephen Gunner | 232.40 | 0.00 | 232.40 |
| Christmas trees/lights WS, Perry Hill | 10/06/2025 | Electrical supply Perry Hill Green - 01.05.25 - 28.05.25 | Octopus Energy Limited | 10.51 | 0.53 | 11.04 |
| Land | 10/06/2025 | Materials | Amenity Choice | 59.70 | 0.00 | 59.70 |
| Management Land | 10/06/2025 | Materials | Selco Builders | 40.32 | 8.06 | 48.38 |
| Management | | | Warehouse | | | |

| Code | Date | Description | Supplier | Net | VAT | Total |
|-----------------------|------------|---|---------------------------------|-----------|----------|-----------|
| Parish Office | 10/06/2025 | Gas & Electricity - Unit 2 Saxton - 01.05.25 - 31.05.25 | Octopus Energy Limited | 67.75 | 3.39 | 71.14 |
| Training | 11/06/2025 | Training and Assessment Day for Senior Groundsman and Groundsman | Holly Landscape and Training | 570.00 | 114.00 | 684.00 |
| Tree Inspections | 11/06/2025 | Annual Walk-over Tree Survey of 7 sites | TGB Tree Consulting | 1,500.00 | 0.00 | 1,500.00 |
| Playground Repairs | 11/06/2025 | Quarterly playground inspections | MJR Services | 225.00 | 0.00 | 225.00 |
| Playground Repairs | 11/06/2025 | Repairs to Jacobs Well Multi Play | MJR Services | 579.00 | 0.00 | 579.00 |
| IT budget | 11/06/2025 | External back-up - May 2025 | RISC IT | 40.00 | 8.00 | 48.00 |
| Land Management | 11/06/2025 | Replacement Padlock and Keys for Harry's Meadow gate (Jacobs Well Road) | Fast Key Services Ltd | 74.07 | 14.81 | 88.88 |
| Land Management | 11/06/2025 | Materials | Pitchcare.com | 37.84 | 7.57 | 45.41 |
| Land Management | 11/06/2025 | Hire of storage container MW - June 2025 | Activate Learning | 87.00 | 0.00 | 87.00 |
| Parish Office | 11/06/2025 | Rent Unit 2 Saxton - 24.6.25 -29.9.25 | TL Fund | 7,000.00 | 1,400.00 | 8,400.00 |
| Parish Office | 11/06/2025 | Quarterly service charge 01.07.25 - 30.09.25 | TL Fund | 185.90 | 37.18 | 223.08 |
| Total | | | | 32,871.23 | 2,346.72 | 35,217.95 |

b) Donations to charity in memory of the late Gordon Adam (National Trust, Royal British Legion, Battersea Dogs and Cats Home)

Following discussion, it was proposed by Cllr B Nagle, seconded by Cllr N Crampin and unanimously **RESOLVED** that in memory of the late Cllr Gordon Adam £50 be donated to each of the following charities:

- 1. National Trust
- 2. Royal British Legion
- 3. Battersea Dogs and Cats Home.

Power to spend: Local Government Act 1972 section 137(3).

2025-203 - Date of next Planning/General Purposes and Finance Committee meeting – 12 June 2025

Meeting closed 20:34

Signed:

Chairman of the Council Date: 3 July 2025