



Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting of Bearsted Parish Council held at Madginford Hall, Bearsted on Tuesday 24th October 2023 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllr Richard Ash MBE (Chairman)
Cllr Martha Monday
Cllr James Day

Also, in attendance was the Deputy Clerk, Amy Bush.

Reports from members of the public.

None.

1. Declarations of intention to record

The Deputy Clerk declared the meeting would be recorded for minuting purposes.

2. Apologies and absences

Apologies and reasons were received and duly noted from Cllr Sean Turner and Cllr Chris Waters.

3. Declaration of Interests, Dispensations, Predetermination or Lobbying

None.

4. To elect a committee Vice Chairperson

Cllr Ash nominated Cllr Day to serve the committee as Vice Chairperson. This was agreed with all in favour.

5. Signing of the Minutes of the last meeting

Minutes of the meeting 26th September 2023 were agreed and duly signed.

6. Office and Chairman Report

The Deputy Clerk highlighted the report from The Bearsted and Thurnham Society related to application 23/504017/FULL. The Chairman explained to the new committee members that a budget is not set for the committee as no spending is required.

7. Planning Applications for consideration (Town and Country Planning Act 1990 s1p8)

Reference	Address	Application	Recommendations / Comments	Call Request
23/504017/FULL	Land Off Church Landway Bearsted	Creation of 2no. Synthetic tennis courts and associated court fencing.	BPC recommend approval but would like to officer to take into account the points raised by the Bearsted and Thurnham Society. These include hours of play, not allowing flood lighting and making provisions for parking. Also noting the surrounding conservation area.	No
23/504481/FULL	6 Moncrif Close Bearsted	Erection of a single storey side and rear extension and alterations to parking arrangements.	Recommend Approval – However BPC would like to raise concerns over the TPO application linked to the address. Please can the officer review.	No
23/504586/FULL	21 Tasker Close Bearsted	Remove existing garage. Erection of a single storey side extension with the erection of a new attached garage. (Resubmission of 23/502646/FULL) BPC Recommended Approval in June	Recommend Approval.	No
23/504433/TPOA	4 Pimpernel Close Bearsted	TPO application to reduce the overhanging branches to the north, east and south of one sycamore T1 back to within 1m of the boundary fence and reduce the overhanging branches to the east of one sycamore T2 back to boundary fence	Recommend Approval – Committee note that T1 should be listed as a Beech Tree.	No

- 8. **Planning Training for Committee members**
MBC training sessions scheduled – Training 30th October to be attended by all members.

- 9. **Other planning applications and consultations**
 - a) Local Plan
BPC received 4 documents related to the Local Plan. These were reviewed by the Chairman who shared the information relating to Bearsted with the committee.
 - b) Court Farm
The application is due to be determined after 30th October 2023. Applicants were given additional time to submit a Traffic Impact Report.

- 10. **Future agenda items**
Other local applications and consultations including: Local Plan and Court Farm.
Planning Training.

- 11. **Date for the next meeting: 28th November 2023.**

There being no further business to transact, the meeting ended at 20.16 hrs.

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