



Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting of Bearsted Parish Council held at Madginford Hall, Bearsted on Tuesday 28th January 2025 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllr Richard Ash MBE (Chairman)
Cllr Martha Monday
Cllr Carolyn Smith

Also, in attendance was the Clerk, Joanne Upton.

Reports from members of the public.
There were no members of the public.

- 1. Declarations of intention to record**
The Clerk declared the meeting would be recorded for minuting purposes.
- 2. Apologies and absences**
Apologies were received and noted from Cllr Chris Waters. Cllr English was absent.
- 3. Declaration of Interests, Dispensations, Predetermination or Lobbying**
None.
- 4. To elect Vice Chair**
Cllr Ash proposed Cllr Monday for Vice Chair, this was seconded by Cllr Smith and resolved with all in favour.
- 5. Signing of the minutes of the last meeting**
The minutes of the meeting on 26th November were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.
- 6. Office and Chair report**
The Clerk had nothing to report.
Cllr Ash reported he attended the Conservation Area Consultation meeting at the Tennis Club. Several residents also attended. Once the consultation is complete it will need to be approved by a Policy Advisory Committee.
- 7. Planning Applications for consideration (Town and Country Planning Act 1990 s1p8)**
There were no applications to consider.

Reference	Address	Application	Recommendations / Comments	Call Request

Plus, any additional applications received by the date of the meeting.

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- 8. National Planning Policy Framework**
The Committee noted the update. The Clerk advised there is a consultation on Government Planning Reform working paper. Cllr Ash advised that the Nationally Significant Project that may affect Bearsted is the Lower Thames Crossing project.
- 10. CIL Funds**
Suggestion put forward by Cllr's were the Rob Turner Art project, office extension, car park drainage, pond improvements, additional lighting on Egremont Road and Meadow Bank. The Clerk confirmed there is currently money in reserves for the car park drainage and Meadow Bank has been included in the budget. There is £8710.02 CIL Funds available. It was agreed to recommend to Full Council to put £1000 towards to the Rob Turner Art project. £3855.01 towards the office extension and £3855.01 toward improvements to the pond.
- 11. Other Planning Applications and Consultations**
Local Plan: no update.

12. Future agenda items

Other local applications and consultations including: Local Plan
Planning Training.

13. Date for the next meeting: 25th February 2025.

There being no further business to transact, the meeting ended at 20.01 hrs.

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