

BYFLEET, WEST BYFLEET & PYRFORD RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the Committee Meeting held via Zoom 17 March 2021

Present:

Stewart Dick (SD) – Chair	Eleanor Grady (EG) – B VR (until 20:00)
Lynette Davies (LD) – Secretary	Keith Creswell (KC) – WB VR
Andy Grimshaw (AG) – Pyrford Village Representative & Chair Pyrford NF (until 20:00)	Penny Hoskyn (PH) – WB Forum
Isabelle David (ID) – Membership Secretary	Wade Pollard (WP) – WB Forum
Robert Munford (RM) – Editor	Cllr Gary Elson (Cllr GE) – Councillor
	Cllr Graham Chrystie (Cllr GC) - Councillor

Quorum: 8 members - the meeting was quorate.

Reports circulated and to be appended to minutes: Planning, Treasurer, Membership, Website, West Byfleet VR, Pyrford VR, Byfleet VR, Pyrford Forum

1. Welcome & Apologies for absence

SD welcomed everyone to this ninth virtual meeting.

Apologies had been received from Dharma Sivarajasingham and Cllr Mary Bridgeman.

Absence of the Independent councillors was noted and regretted.

2. Minutes of the Meeting on 17 February 2021

The minutes were reviewed and amended as follows:

Item 14 – Bullet 4: amended to make clear that this was a Byfleet resident's initiative: '*A Byfleet Resident crowdfunding initiative for help with.....*'

With this amendment the minutes were agreed as a true record to be signed by the Chair at some point in the future.

3. Matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting

There were no matters arising not covered by this agenda.

3. Planning Report

(a) SD had prepared a report and additional comments were made as follows:

- **SADPD** – Cllr GC confirmed that WBC had sent the responses to the Main Modifications Report to the Inspector. The Final Report was not expected from the Inspector before June/July.
- **Pyrford Place, Pyrford Road** – application to build boathouse. PNF and RA had opposed.
- **The Old House, Pyrford** – neither PNF or RA would oppose.
- Development at **Woodlands Road/Sheerwater Road** - SD had spoken on behalf of the RA and WBNF in opposition and ID, on behalf of the Woodlands Road residents thanked him for doing so. However, the application had been approved. The RA would keep a watching brief as this was a difficult site which would not be without its challenges.
- **Sanway Road Flooding Alleviation Scheme** – consultation on the proposed scheme was underway. However, no costings had been made available and total funding was currently believed not to be available. Again a watching brief for the RA.

(b) Qaro

The application to add an additional storey had been permitted. SD had circulated the Planning Officer's report on the application detailing the various stages involved in determining the decision. This will act as an information guide for future applications under Permitted Development Rights,

(c) West Byfleet Village Centre Redevelopment Liaison Group and Application update

Meetings had taken place with one more planned before the application went before WBC on 6 April 2021. Most recent discussions had concerned the balconies which the developers had explained were an important part of sustainability.

Whilst there were some reservations about the development SD suggested that the RA approve it in principle and submit an appropriate letter of support. This was agreed - SD to make the submission.

Action: SD to write on behalf of RA in support of the development

WP noted that this was to be discussed at the next WBNF meeting and he would be recommending that WBNF should also write in support. AG would do the same for PNF. EG would talk to Fiona Syrett and suggest the same to BRNF. Cllr GC noted that these submissions should be made before the Planning Committee met on 6 April 2021.

Action: NF reps to recommend letters of support

(d) Joint Study on Infrastructure Requirements of the East of Woking

The RA working group had met and a further meeting was planned. Questions/statements were being prepared for each of the following areas of concern: Flooding (Fiona-BRNF), Health and Wellbeing (Stewart and Penny-RA), Transport (Andy-PNF) and Education (Wade-WBNF).

The RA were keen that the research should inform the study rather than wait until after it was produced. Cllr GE was of the opinion that the questions could only be presented after consultation had taken place and responses received from Ernest Amoako.

SD noted how helpful the Health Centre had been responding to questions presented to them and offering feedback. They were grateful to have been consulted, as they felt this was often not the case although it was noted that consultation might have taken place at a higher level. On previous occasions the WBC officials had not been able to confirm who they had consulted.

WP had prepared 20 questions on Education and thanked KC for peer reviewing them. The bursar at Fullbrook School had also agreed to take a look. WP would also seek comments from the Heads at West Byfleet Infant and Junior Schools. KC suggested, as one of the proposed access points would put St Mary's Primary School, Byfleet closest the development at West Hall, they should also be sent the questions. WP agreed and would send them

Cllr GC noted the wider issue of school places in the borough and that the new Hoe Valley School had not resolved the situation as expected. SD observed that he had very recently been informed that there was availability as the school build up its capacity.

AG noted that he was including cars, lorries, trains, cycling and walking in his transport paper.

It was clear that the IDP from 2015, updated in 2018, did not reflect the current situation. Proposed developments in the surrounding area – Ottershaw, Wisley – represented major change. (Fair Oaks was on hold.)

The aim of the RA and the Forums was to contribute in a constructive way to a good report which would serve well into the 2030s.

4. Health and Wellbeing in the Three Villages - update

With Covid and the vaccination rollout at the top of the agenda for health professionals this had been put on hold. Work on input to the joint study included health.

5. Home Learning Fund Raising - update

As there had now been a full return to school, it was decided that this initiative should not be pursued.

Action: Schools to be informed of RA decision as appropriate

SD said that he would like to discuss with BUC holding an annual joint fundraising event.

6. Treasurer's Report

The Statement of Financial Affairs report covering the period 1 January to 17 March 2021 had been circulated before the meeting. Unfortunately, DS was not able to be present to comment further.

DS would be asked to complete the annual accounts to 31 December 2020 ready for the AGM – date still tbd.

Action: DS to prepare end of year financials

As also reported in Item 13 - The NF had returned unused grant funds to the RA as required by the NF constitution. The RA had not requested the return of these funds and it was agreed that they should be returned to the NF for the Heritage Fund. None of the other NFs had been asked to return unused funds.

7. Membership Secretary's Report

A report had been circulated before the meeting.

ID was pleased to note that subscriptions had been coming in steadily particularly via online payments. Email addresses were increasing.

8. Editorial

The Resident 166 – Spring 2021. The newsletter had been published on the website.

RM was thanked for putting together another excellent edition.

RM had already started thinking about the next issue and wondered about the timing. Traditionally the summer issue was published in May/June but with the spring issue having only just appeared RM wondered if the summer issue should be delayed to July. This would be kept under consideration.

Advertising

Three advertisers which had been lost had been replaced by three new ones. It was hoped the lost advertisers might rejoin once conditions improved.

9. Website

Anita had sent an email with the month's analytics which LD would circulate.

ID was thanked for keeping the website up to date and relevant. Posts were relevant and informative.

Action: LD to circulate IT reports

10. Councillors' Reports

Cllr GC noted that the increased workload of the planning committee – up 23% - at a time when the team had been heavily involved in surge testing. Douglas Spinks would be leaving at the end of the month after 37 years with his replacement starting in April.

The Woking Football Club appeal: the Inspector's recommendation would be referred to the Secretary of State.

Cllr GE commented on the traveller incursion at The Harvester, West Byfleet. M&B, the owners, were now seeking a court order to evict but this would take some time.

Local restaurants were looking forward to being able to open again.

It was noted that Cllr John Bond would not be standing in the May council elections. SD stated his intention to stand as a SCC councillor for The Byfleets.

11. Right of Way Report – Marion Malcher

There was no report.

12. Village Representative Reports

Pyrford (taken at the start of the meeting)

AG had submitted a report and further noted:

- Twisted Stone application had been refused - enforcement action to be taken
- The "Welcome to West Byfleet" Village sign on Coldharbour Road would be moved by the end of the month
- AG was in contact with the *WBC* Neighbourhood *Police* Officer re the destruction of grass verges

Byfleet (taken at the start of the meeting)

Plan RU.21/0207 - EG had provided a report and drew the committee's attention to the proposed development off Byfleet Road which was in Runnymede but just outside Byfleet village boundary. An email received from Dr Nigel Carter was replicated in the BVR report.

A response had been sent to Dr Carter and EG asked that the committee discuss whether and on which grounds the RA might object and whether the RA should publicise the initiative as outlined in the email or the issue generally.

SD noted that the RA had not objected previously as it was out of area. However, there were implications particularly around traffic movement - 950 vehicular movements were expected daily of which 10% might be HGVs. 396 parking spaces were anticipated. Lorries would have to approach from the north to avoid the railway bridge on Byfleet Road but cars would come in from the south.

The committee agreed that Dr Carter's message should be posted to the RA website without comment from the RA.

Action: post Dr Carter's message with information on proposed development in Byfleet Road on website – ID/EG/AF

WBC had not made any comments on the proposed development at Wintersells Road and KC asked that councillors find out if WBC proposed to make any for this particular development. Both councillors agreed to find out what WBC planned to do.

Action: Councillors to find out what action WBC proposed to take

West Byfleet – KC had provided a short report.

KC reported that the Community Energy Group was active and had the support of Jonathan Lord, MP and Cllr Azad, Leader of WBC, but there was not funding available for a PV farm on the Camphill Tip site. The group would be pursuing other options.

KC also noted how well RVG were handling community interaction for Sheer House. SD suggested everyone look at what Taylor Wimpey were doing for the development at Wisley as this was also of a very high standard.

13. Forum Reports

West Byfleet – WP noted that the redesignation of the WBNF had been agreed.

Improvement work on WB recreation ground had started with the removal of the kick wall and returfing of the area. New benches were expected very soon. Conversations were ongoing with WBC about the refurbishment of the pavilion. The building was sound but the exterior needed attention. This was not expected to be too costly.

The path from Camphill Road along the children's play area was in need of improvement as it was very worn and muddy. KC suggested this should be considered in conjunction with the proposed path around the whole recreation ground. CIL money could be used for this work. Cllr GE agreed to pursue this with Geoff McManus.

Provision of refreshments at the pavilion was also on the wish list.

Pyrford (taken at the start of the meeting)

AG had submitted a report and further noted that work on the cricket pavilion was almost complete with re-opening expected in April.

The NF had returned unused grant funds to the RA as required by the NF constitution. The RA had not requested the return of these funds and it was agreed that they should be returned to the NF for the Heritage Fund. None of the other NFs had been asked to return unused funds.

Byfleet – no report

14. AOB

Drop in dates: no point discussing until lockdown was eased

KC noted the need for succession planning – should SD be successfully elected as a SCC councillor a new Chair would be needed. There was no Vice to step into his shoes! As there were no volunteers from within the committee, everyone was asked to consider suitable candidates. New, younger people were needed.

LD noted that dates for the meetings to end of 2021 would need to be set. It was agreed that Wednesdays were good and the start time of 19:00 was liked. It remained to be seen when face to face meetings would resume but when they did a venue would be needed – hall at St Mary’s day centre, Byfleet had been the last venue used.

LD noted that thought should be given to the delayed AGM. Lockdown easing might allow for an actual meeting to be arranged. In the meantime, DS would be asked to put together the accounts for the year to 31 December 2020.

An invitation had already been put to the new CEO of WBC – Julie Fisher - to address this meeting subject to availability. Alternatives might be Cllr Ayesha Azad, Leader of WBC, or Commander Dave Bentley, Surrey Police.

Meeting closed at 21:13

Date of the next meeting – Wednesday, 21 April 2021

Meetings for 2020-21 – all at 19:00 on the third Wednesday of the month, by Zoom until further notice:

2021 – 19 May, 16 June, 21 July, August – no meeting

2022 -

BYFLEET, WEST BYFLEET AND PYRFORD RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

PLANNING REPORT - March 2021

This report covers information received up to 16th March 2021

1. WHITE PAPER CONSULTATION

Nothing further to report.

2. SADPD

I believe WBC are now in a position to send the responses to the Main Modifications report to the Inspector.

3. JOINT STUDY ON THE FUTURE INFRASTRUCTURE REQUIREMENTS OF THE EAST OF WOKING

The terms of the Joint Study were approved at the WBC Executive meeting on 4th February.

The study will comprise of a comprehensive review of the 2018 IDP with an extract setting out the specific infrastructure requirements to support development proposals in Byfleet and West Byfleet. The Director of Planning will oversee the Study.

The 2018 IDP will provide a robust foundation for the review. The work will be done in-house.

Officers will work in partnership with all the relevant infrastructure providers and neighbouring authorities to carry out the Study. Byfleet and West Byfleet both have Neighbourhood Forums. Officers will ensure that they are consulted at key stages of the Study. The Study will be informed by various technical studies and up to date information provided by the relevant infrastructure providers. The outcome of the Study will be reported to the LDF Working Group, the Joint Committee and Executive.

The Study will be done in two phases. The first phase will focus on updating four key infrastructure areas in the IDP – transport, education, flooding and health. These are the infrastructure areas that received significant number of responses during the consultation of the main modifications to the Site Allocations DPD. It is anticipated that this phase will be completed in April/May 2021. The second phase will cover the rest of the other infrastructure areas in the IDP. This will be completed in August 2021.

The RA and PNF will also be key consultees.

The timetable is ambitious and one might wish to challenge the use of the word "robust" in the description of the IDP 2018 fourth draft document.

This Study will have no relevance to the Inspector's report.

Where it may be very influential is in the event of say GB9 being released from Green Belt and a planning application being submitted.

The RA and the Forums have met to decide on our approach. The basis research has been divided as follows:

Fiona (BRNF) - Flooding

Stewart and Penny (RA) - Health and Wellbeing

Andy (PNF) - Transport

Wade (WBNF) - Education

Our aim is to submit our questions to the Joint Study Team as soon as possible and certainly before they produce a draft report for consultation.

We expect to have a further meeting next Monday.

4. WEST BYFLEET VILLAGE CENTRE REDEVELOPMENT

The liaison group comprising representatives from:

- > WBNF
- > WBBA
- > RA
- > COUNCILLORS

have been meeting with the developer and Keeble Brown almost on a regular basis. These discussions have been very helpful and constructive. There have also been a number of Zoom consultation meetings with the community which have been well supported with many questions addressed. The overall feedback from the community and from the posts on Facebook are supportive and the spirit of involvement is appreciated.

Applications to date:

- a) **PLAN/2020/0753 - Approved**
- b) **PLAN/2020/0619 and PLAN/2020/0801 - Approved**
- c) **PLAN/2021/0059 - Detailed Planning Application. Validated.**

It is expected that this Application will come before the Planning Committee on 6th April. There is a possibility of demolition commencing at the end of April though perhaps late spring is more likely.

Protruding balconies are of some concern as aesthetically they are not attractive.

The most recent meeting was on 8th March when Sustainability was the main topic under discussion. We will have one further meeting prior to the 6th April.

It is my intention to write on behalf of the RA supporting the development.

RECENTLY APPROVED

5. PLAN/2020/0894

Address: Qaro Pyrford Heath Pyrford Woking Surrey GU22 8SR

Prior notification for enlargement of a dwelling house by construction of an additional storey.

Called in by Cllr Graham Chrystie

Approved

6. PLAN/2020/0934

Address: 145 Old Woking Road Woking Surrey GU22 8PD

Erection of a single storey rear extension. Proposed glazed enclosure of existing terrace at first floor and extended terrace over orangery.

Approved

7. PLAN/2020/1044

Address: Heathside 42 Madeira Road West Byfleet Surrey KT14 6DE

Proposed additional three bedroom property to form a terrace of three dwellings.

Approved

8. PLAN/2020/1140

Address: 35 Boltons Close Pyrford Woking Surrey GU22 8TW

Erection of a single storey side extension following demolition of existing garage. Erection of attached garage. Creation of front hardstanding and dropped kerb crossover.

Approved

REFUSED

9. PLAN/2020/0602

Address: 47A Old Woking Road

Erection of part two storey, part single storey rear extension incorporating 1no. single dormer, side dormer to existing outrigger, 1no. single dormer to rear elevation and 2no. single dormers to front elevation to create 2no. studio flats at first floor level and 1no. one bedroom flat within roof space. Provision for 2no. parking spaces to rear and revised bin storage layout.

Planning Committee.

Refused

UNDER CONSIDERATION

10. PLAN/2021/0056

Address: Pyrford Place Pyrford Road Woking Surrey

Erection of two storey boathouse following demolition of existing boathouse, refurbishment of existing footbridge

Objected to previous application. Difficult to see how this application is different. The size of the proposed building and internal amenities contradict the declared purpose.

Pending Consideration

Consultation expiry date 11th February

RA have objected

11. PLAN/2021/0154

Address: Avebury 36 Hollies Avenue West Byfleet Surrey KT14 6AL

Erection of a single storey front and single storey side and rear extension following demolition of existing rear extension.

Pending Consideration (delegated)

Comments 2nd March

12. PLAN/2021/0146

Address: 16 Boltons Close Pyrford Woking Surrey GU22 8TW

Erection of two storey side extension, single storey rear extension following demolition of existing conservatory. Erection of rear dormer and 3No front rooflights.

Pending Consideration (delegated)

Comments 3rd March

13. PLAN/2021/0147

Address: The Old House Pyrford Road Woking Surrey GU22 8UE

Proposed detached oak framed boat house.

Pending Consideration (delegated)

Comments 3rd March

14. PLAN /2021/0099

Address: The Old House Pyrford Road Woking Surrey GU22 8UE

Demolition of existing stables/storage building and replacement with detached oak framed garage/storage barn.

Pending Consideration (delegated)

Comments 2nd March

15. PLAN/2021/0098

Address: Little Copse Pyrford Road Woking Surrey GU22 8UF

Erection of a detached dwelling on land to the west of Little Copse, Pyrford Road, new vehicular access off Hare Hill Close and associated subdivision of the plot, parking and landscaping.

Pending Consideration (delegated)

Comments 3rd March

16. PLAN/2019/1013 and PLAN/2020/1160

Address: 9 Old Woking Road

Erection of a part four storey, part three storey building comprising 2x ground floor retail units (A1 use) and 5x dwellings (3x two bed and 2x three bed) and associated parking and bin and cycle storage following demolition of existing building.

The Applicant appealed to the Secretary of State against the non-determination of the planning application. Dismissed but on a rather minor point. New application addresses this point. The proposal is an improvement to what is currently there though my view is that it would be further improved without the attic storey. However the Inspector did not object to this so an objection is I think pointless.

Pending Consideration

17. PLAN/2020/0926

Address: Spindrifft Pyrford Road West Byfleet Surrey KT14 6RE

Erection of single storey rear extension with wrap around two storey side extension. Further two storey front extension which includes moving front entrance with covered porch area. New dormers to the front and rear.

Pending Consideration

18. PLAN/2020/0907

Address: Woodlands Sheerwater Road West Byfleet Surrey KT14 6AH

Erection of a three storey building including accommodation in the roof space comprising 8x self-contained flats following demolition of existing dwelling and ancillary buildings and provision of associated bin and cycle storage, parking, retaining walls and landscaping

Consultation 18th November

This remains problematic with I believe accusations of intimidation.

The Planning Officer is recommending approval. The application will go to the Planning Committee on 16th March.

Pending Consideration

The RA has objected.

19. PLAN/2020/0886

Address: Domus Sheerwater Road West Byfleet Surrey KT14 6AA

Erection of a two storey building including accommodation in the roof space comprising 10x self-contained flats following demolition of existing dwelling and provision of associated bin and cycle storage, parking, access and landscaping.

Consultation 2nd December

WBNF objected on the issue of parking - not in accordance with Plan

Pending Consideration

20. PLAN/2020/1145

Address: 26 Boltons Lane Pyrford Woking Surrey GU22 8TL

Erection of a single storey rear extension and two storey front and side extension to form annex following demolition of existing garage. Erection of 2No rear dormers and 1No rear rooflight.

Pending Consideration

Comments by 4th January 2021

21. PLAN/2020/1102

Address: 39 Dartnell Park Road West Byfleet Surrey KT14 6PR

Proposed two storey side and rear extension, single storey front and rear extensions and raised ridge to accommodate habitable accommodation at second floor following demolition of conservatory and detached garage. Erection of 1No rear dormer and 5No side rooflights and 1No rear rooflight.

Pending Consideration

Comments by 1st February 2021

22. PLAN/2021/0005

Address: 29 The Oaks West Byfleet Surrey KT14 6RN

Erection of a two storey front extension and 2No rear dormers. Proposed 1No front and rear rooflights and 3No to side.

Pending Consideration

Comments by 29th January 2021

23. PLAN/2021/0031

Address: 97 Woodlands Avenue West Byfleet Surrey KT14 6AP

Erection of first floor rear extension and side dormers.

Pending Consideration

Comments by 2nd February 2021

NEW

24. PLAN/2021/0235

Address: Cranbrook Pyrford Road West Byfleet Surrey KT14 6RE

Erection of two storey side and single storey rear extension

Pending Consideration

Comments by 18th March

25. PLAN/2021/0091

Address: The Old House Pyrford Road Woking Surrey GU22 8UE

Listed Building Consent for single storey oak framed home gym extension.

Pending Consideration

Comments by 25th March

26. PLAN/2021/0221

Address: Land West Of Byfleet Road Rear Of 98 - 138 Byfleet Road New Haw KT15 3LA

Redevelopment of the site to provide industrial, storage and distribution (Class E(g)/B2/B8) floorspace, with ancillary office accommodation, associated parking, landscaping and infrastructure works

Decided - No Objection

27. PLAN/2021/0277

Address: 34 & 36 Beaufort Road Maybury Woking Surrey GU22 8BZ

Erection of roof extensions to No.34 and No.36 Beaufort Road including raising of the eaves and ridge height and insertion of front and rear rooflights

Pending Consideration

Comments by 1st April

28. PLAN/2021/0286

Address: 74 Hart Road Byfleet West Byfleet Surrey KT14 7NJ

Erection of two storey side and rear extension. Single storey rear extension and new front porch.

Pending Consideration

Comments by 1st April

29. PLAN/2021/0063

Address: Loteni Blackdown Avenue Pyrford Woking Surrey GU22 8QH

Replacement of existing entrance gate with new remote control sliding gate with brick piers and erection of new detached 3 car garage building to frontage with gymnasium and games room at first floor

Pending Consideration

Comments by 16th March

OTHERS

30. Footpath 94 along the outside wall of Manor House, Byfleet.

The owners have applied for a permanent diversion of FP94 obliging the public to use FP95 and BW95 thus denying them views of this historic building.

Our Rights of Way Officer will support an objection should the RA decide to do so. However she points out that she is not convinced that this is the best way forward. FP94 is challenging if not agile and the proposed new route is much more user friendly.

On advice from Marion we will take no action but keep the matter under review.

31. PLAN/2021/0047
Consultation

Ward - Horsell East And Woodham

Proposal:

Formal consultation from Guildford Borough Council for Hybrid planning application for the redevelopment of part of the allocated site for the Slyfield Area Regeneration Project for a mixed-use development (known as Weyside Urban Village) comprising: A.Outline planning approval for the demolition of existing buildings and infrastructure and outline planning permission for up to 1550 dwellings; local centre comprising up to 1800 sqm of retail (inc. convenience store), healthcare,community, nursery and flexible employment uses (Use Class E); up to 500 sqm of flexible community facilities (Use Classes E/F1/F2); upto 6,600 sqm of flexible employment space (Use Classes E/B2/B8); up to 30,000 sqm for new Council Depot Site (Use Classes E/B8); 6 Gypsy and Traveller pitches (Use Class C3); and associated road infrastructure, landscaping including Sustainable Drainage Systems) and amenity space. B.Full planning permission for the development of primary and secondary site accesses, internal access roads and associated landscaping. C.Full planning permission for engineering operations associated with remediation and infrastructure, including primary and secondary substations; utilities and drainage (including Sustainable Drainage Systems).

32. RU.21/0207

Address: Land West of Byfleet Road (rear of 98-138 Byfleet Road) New Haw KT15 3LA

Redevelopment of the site to provide industrial, storage and distribution (Class E(g)/B2/B8) floorspace, with ancillary office accommodation, associated parking, landscaping and infrastructure works
This will employ 545 full-time staff with 362 parking spaces. Green field site.

Ref:SJCD/RA/Planning Report/March 2021.

Byfleet, West Byfleet and Pyrford Residents Association

TREASURER'S REPORT

17 March 2021

The following Statement of Financial Affairs is for the period from 1st of January 2021 to 17th of March 2021.

Update on financials for the current period

Subscription income for the period is £2,038 (Feb £1,273). Our total cash reserves continue remain healthy at £27,623 (Feb £26,903).

As previously advised, with the current lockdown in 2021, we anticipate to have 20% lower subscription income to that of our 2019 income. The advertisement income will remain sluggish.

Notes and open items.

- 1 Charitable status and gift aid – progress is slow due to regulation 19, Covid-19 and other urgent matters. We are deferring this until 2022/23.
- 2 COVID-19: In 2021, subscriptions income to remain 20% lower than 2019 levels. This is caused by the lockdown and paused collection activity during Q1 and Q2 of 2021.

Dharma Sivarajasingham

Hon. Treasurer

17/03/2021

Byfleet, West Byfleet & Pyrford Residents Association

to 17 March 2021

	Year to date	
	£	£
INCOME		
Subscriptions and member donations:		
Byfleet	200	
West Byfleet	651	
Pyrford	575	
Subscriptions not allocated	612	
2019 paid in 2018	-	
2020 paid in 2019 or to be allocated	-	
		<u>2,038</u>
Advertising (includes receipts from 2019 invoices)		-
Bank Interest		1
Donations		-
Other		-
Total Income		<u><u>2,039</u></u>

EXPENDITURE

The Resident	-
Committee Expenses	-
Street Rep Drop Ins	-
Room Hire not Comm.	-
AGM	-
Fetes	-
Display/Equipment	-
Donations:	-
Community Support	-
Insurance	-
Postage, Stationery & Printing	-
Sundries/Losses	-
Database/Web Expenses	90
Mileage/Parking	-
Forums - Pyrford	-
- Byfleet (PMT error to recover and pay Pyrford)	-
- West Byfleet	-
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Total Expenditure	90
	<u><u>90</u></u>
Surplus/(Deficit)	£1,949
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Opening Cash	£25,674
Surplus/(Deficit)	£1,949
Closing Cash	<u><u>£27,623</u></u>
Analysis of Cash	
Current Account	4,100
Un allocated Collections Accounts + 2020 subs not allocated	612
Overnight Deposit	7,748
32Day deposit	15,163
	<u><u>£27,623</u></u>
* Donations	£
FRIENDS OF BYFLEET - GODFREY BENCH BYFLEET AMENITIES	
	<u>£0</u>
* Community Support	
BELL CORNWELL RE-SADPD Printing Leaflets - walk in Centre	-
	<u>-</u>
	<u>0</u>
* Sundries	
	<u>£0</u>

MEMBERSHIP REPORT FEBRUARY (17 MARCH 2021)

KEY POINTS 2021 YEAR TO DATE

The total annual membership subscriptions received to date for 2021 is **£2268**.

	Subscriptions banked and allocated on database	Subscriptions banked but not yet entered	Subscriptions held in cash by VR	2021 Totals year to date	2020	2019
					£	£
Byfleet	200	122	nil	322		
West Byfleet	651	160	215	1026		
Pyrford	575	330	15	920		
TOTAL	1426	612	230	2268		

Total membership numbers:

	2019	2020	2021
Byfleet	576	561	561
West Byfleet	793	781	786
Pyrford	1,089	1039	1042
"Other"	11	18	17
TOTAL	2,469	2,399	2,406

Please note that we have extended the status of "grace" membership as a result of non-payment of subscriptions from 2 to 3 years, to reflect the difficulties that we have had in collection of subs in 2020.

Email addresses:

It continues to be an important focus in 2021 to increase the number of email addresses that we hold on the membership database.

	2018	2019	2020	2021
Byfleet	267	262	271	274
West Byfleet	305	429	491	500
Pyrford	421	452	488	505
TOTAL	993	1,143	1,250	1279
Percentage of Members	35%	46%	52%	53%

PYRFORD VR REPORT - 17 March 2021 (as of 13 March 2021)

A) MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS

So far in 2021, £865 has been received from 120 members. This time last year £1,018 was reported. The great majority has been paid directly into a RA bank account. This sum is roughly 20% of that paid in all of 2020, but in 2020 only 62% of the recorded membership paid.

The analysis is below:-

Membership 1,017	Total	In database	To enter	No members	Average
	£	£	£		
Paid Directly to Pyrford Collections	745	560	185	104	7.16
Paid into Main Account	5	5	0	1	5.00
Cheques & cash to bank	105	0	105	14	7.50
Cheques Banked	10	10	0	1	10.00
Totals	865	575	290	120	7.21
2020	3,972			631	6.29
% 2021 so far ccf full 2020	21.8%			19.0%	114.5%

B) STREET REP GAPS

There are a few streets in Pyrford without a Street Rep, such as:

Coldharbour Road (part off)	Old Woking Road,
Dean Close,	Pyrian Way,
Pine Tree Hill,	Rowley Close
Belmore Avenue,	Orchard Lea

C) MARSHAL PARADE DEVELOPMENT SAGA

Building continues. Not only are the roof timbers now up, but some roofing activity has started. The planning application to change the “planning use” to possibly accommodate a dentist was approved.

D) VERGES AROUND PYRFORD

One Pyrford member has raised with Woking Borough Council (WBC) the state of the grass verges left after building works have been completed. This seems to be becoming an issue across the village. WBC has contacted Surrey County Council (SCC) who own the verges and SCC has agreed to investigate. The VR will continue to monitor.

In comparison, Affinity Water, after backfilling the hole outside the shops, levelled the ground and scattered grass seed.

E) PLANNING APPLICATIONS

These are covered in more detail in both the Pyrford Neighbourhood Forum report and the RA Planning Report. The most significant one to highlight is a request using “Prior Approval” regulation for an additional storey on a bungalow in Pyrford Heath. After deferral at a WBC Planning Committee meeting, it approved at the next one.

West Byfleet Village Rep Report March 2021

No formal report, following noted via email:

Presence of travellers at the Harvester, thanks to Gary and Amanda for keeping residents advised of the situation and also noting with distaste some unchristian/non-humanist comments on social media.

Definition of East of Woking Infrastructure study, which, in my opinion, appears to be an exercise in complacent self-justification based on ignoring a wider information pool. I look forward to being proved wrong.

Sheer House redevelopment, the excellent efforts of RVG in public engagement continue but we have still not got definitive assurances that demolition and construction materials and related staff will avoid using either arm of Madeira Road. We have been advised that the intention is that access to the site will be from Byfleet Corner and Lavender Park Road.

Shared Pavement A245 from Byfleet to West Byfleet, SCC traffic were supposed to report back with feasibility and priority to the Joint Committee on March 24th, let us hope they remember and treat the scheme with urgency! (Councillors please note)

And also to record: I attended virtual meetings of WBNF Committee and WBCentre Redevelopment Liaison Group; continued work on various local projects noting particularly the contribution of Sally Cantello to the WBNF Community Hall/Rec Ground improvement and WB Community Energy Group programmes.

Pleased to note the large amount of subs being paid by direct transfer as will be shown by the Members Sec. Also that WB and North Pyrford are under the reporting threshold for current new COVID19 infections.

Keith Creswell
West Byfleet Village Rep
14.03.2021

BWBPRA Committee Byfleet Report 17.03.2021

Village Representative and Deputy (Byfleet): Eleanor Grady and Jean-Pierre Frossard

Association matters:

RA Subscriptions/ Street Reps/Drop-in

Coverage of village:

Total number of roads in Byfleet: 93

Number of roads with Street Rep: 72 (77%)

Number of active Street Reps: 29

Of which number stepped down since last report: 0

Of which new since the last report: 0

AMO Role

The AMO role for Byfleet remains vacant with Isabelle David (Membership Officer) generously continuing to undertake the role for Byfleet until a new AMO is found and trained.

Street Reps:

New Street Reps needed for 21 roads.

Subscriptions

We have received a number of subscriptions by post via the RA postal address. SRs have **not** been asked to actively resume subscription collection.

Planning

PLAN RU.21/0207 Land West of Byfleet Road (rear of 98-138 Byfleet Rd) New Haw KT15 3LA:

Was RU.19/0373 and RU.19/0378 – highlighted in July 2020 Committee meeting, Developer Q&A attended by VRB 21.07.2020 and in The Resident Issue 165.

An email was received 7th March 2021 from Dr Nigel Carter as per the below. We have responded with an interim message to Dr Carter. I would like to ask the Committee to discuss whether and on which grounds the RA might object and whether the RA should publicise the below initiative or the issue for generally. Message in italics as follows:

Dear Eleanor

Although just on the border of Byfleet and New Haw we would welcome the association's support to help us lobby against yet another industrial development in our area taking one of the few remaining areas of open space between the River Wey navigation and Byfleet Road – part of Byfleet Commons going back centuries.

We have the support of our local councillors to oppose this development but the powers of commerce are against us.

We would be grateful for anything you can do to help publicise our cause.

Our post from Next Door attached below.

Thanking you in anticipation.

Kind regards

Nigel

Dr Nigel Carter

Chief Executive

Oral Health Foundation

Stop New Haw Common being turned into an Industrial Estate. Planning permission has again been filed to construct an industrial estate with 30ft high warehouses between the River Wey Navigation and Byfleet Road. We are getting traction to oppose this scheme and thanks to all who have objected - we do need to fund a professional objection though as only planning arguments have validity. This will cost some £2000 to retain a town planner to act on our behalf. Please support the appeal on crowdfunding (this the fundraising regulators recommended way of raising such funds) visit <https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/stop-industrial-development---river-weybyfleet-rd> to pledge your support This land has been in public use as a common since at least the 18th Century. Development will ruin local habitats, create noise and air pollution, increase flooding in a high flood risk area and increase traffic to bursting point through the single file bridge at Byfleet and New Haw Station as well as being an eyesore from both the Wey towpath and local properties which will be totally shaded by the development. We have the support of local councillors to stop this - support them by making your objections direct to the council on <https://bit.ly/2Py9je3> before March the 16th. Last time round we got the application withdrawn as a result of the hard work of our retained local planner - we need to make sure this application is refused this time round. A crowdfunding site to raise funds to cover his fees has been launched at <https://bit.ly/3bZr6lL> Our choice is between deer, open space and dog walking and monstrous warehouses.

Village Matters :

Plough Green Public Notice Board

- Plough Green notice board was knocked down by person(s) unknown in January 2021. This was re-erected thanks to SERCO and our Councillors 5th March 2021 celebrated by a small socially-distanced opening ceremony.

Byfleet Community Library

- The Community Library is open for 'Click and Collect' Tuesdays 10-12 and Saturdays 10-12 . They hope to open for longer hours from 12th April 2021.

Footpaths and Bridle Paths :

- **FP94 Application for A permanent 'diversion' of Footpath FP94, which runs along the front of the Manor House**

This issue remains on the Footpath Officer's radar with the Surrey County Council Temporary Prohibition of Traffic Order which is due to expire by 11.06.2021.

- **Muddy Lane**

VRWB was aware of some reports, on the G-BUG (Guildford Cyclists) Facebook page, from horse-users over a neighbouring landowner, who objected against this upgrade, harassing riders. VRB has not heard anything in this regard but will send a message to SRs. Marion Malcher has provided guidance on the process for reporting such incidents to the police.

The Sanway-Byfleet Flood Alleviation Scheme :

Two Environment Agency Zoom meetings were made available to the public 13th and 17th March 2021. The Membership Secretary arranged for an email regarding these meetings to go to Byfleet members. An email has

been sent to Byfleet Street Reps separately. The EA has made an online survey available at <https://consult.environment-agency.gov.uk/thames/sanway-byfleet-flood-alleviation-scheme/> e a printer at home.

RA Events and expenditure:

RA Garden Seed Share Scheme pilot:

The Scheme will start when Issue 166 is published. The Byfleet Community Library have kindly agreed to 'host' a box of seeds from 23rd March 2021. Information will be made available on a new 'Horticulture' tab in the RA website. A post will be placed on 'Byfleet Represents' and the Byfleet Community News Team have offered to include something about the scheme in their next newsletter.

No expenditure.

A.O.B.

None

Many thanks and regards

Eleanor Grady and Jean-Pierre Frossard - EMG/JPF 17.03.2021

PNF Report MARCH 2021 (as at 13/03/2021)

PYRFORD FORUM AREA NCIL

The Woking Joint Committee approved in November 2020, the use of up to £14,000 of NCIL funds to assist in repairing the Pyrford Cricket Club Clubhouse.

Work started on Monday 18th January 2021 and a new front & windows have been installed.



Ideas submitted by Pyrford Residents have been collated and PNF will review and group and prioritise the use of the remaining NCIL. ideas estimated to cost over £10,000 have been loaded on the Surrey Project Fund Map.

SITE ALLOCATIONS MAIN MODIFICATION DPD

The outcome of the process is still awaited.

HERITAGE CONSERVATION ASSESSMENT

Work continues on the assessment. A small sub committee has considered what should be changed from the status quo in the 2000 WBC Heritage Report.

Fundraising for the £13,000 cost has generated c£11,500 so there is a shortfall of £1,500. So far £350 has been raised by selling copies of the Heritage Video.

SIGNIFICANT PYRFORD PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Since the last report, the Forum commented on the following applications:-

Boathouse Pyrford Place – impact on neighbours & over development of site
Little Copse Pyrford Road – over development of site

One significant application has been decided since the February report:-

Qaro Pyrford Heath

Prior notification for enlargement of a dwelling house by construction of an additional storey, with proposed ridge height of 8.2m (amended description to include height)

Deferred on January 21 but subsequently APPROVED

The following key applications are still under consideration:-

In Green Belt:-

Twisted Stone Golf Club Pyrford Road

Temporary consent is sought for a period of 12 months for use of part of existing car park as a greenkeepers maintenance compound and siting of storage containers (retrospective)

The recommendation to the Planning Committee 16rg march is to refuse and start enforcement action

Wisley Golf Club Wisley Lane

Engineering operations to The Garden Course to include replacement drainage and irrigation system, relocation of 5th and 8th tee boxes and re-profiling of section of the bank at the River Wey along with works to the bunkers to improve drainage and playability.

Pyrford Place Pyrford Road

Erection of two storey boathouse following demolition of existing boathouse, refurbishment of existing footbridge (Second application; first refused)

The Old House Pyrford Road

- 1) Proposed detached oak framed boat house.
- 2) Demolition of existing stables/storage building and replacement with detached oak framed garage/storage Barn.
- 3) Single storey oak framed home gym extension.

In a conservation area

Church Farm House Church Hill

Listed Building Consent to replace existing 15 casement & 2 bay single glazed windows and doors with slimline double glazed windows and doors using existing openings.

Andy Grimshaw
PNF Chair