

BYFLEET, WEST BYFLEET & PYRFORD RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the Committee Meeting held via Zoom 26 May 2021

Present:

Stewart Dick (SD) – Chair	Robert Munford (RM) – Editor
Lynette Davies (LD) – Secretary	Jean-Pierre Frossard (JF) – Dep B VR
Andy Grimshaw (AG) – Pyrford Village Representative & Chair Pyrford NF (until 19:45)	Keith Creswell (KC) – WB VR
Dharma Sivarajasingham (DS) – Treasurer (until 20:00)	Penny Hoskyn (PH) – WB Forum
Isabelle David (ID) – Membership Secretary	Wade Pollard (WP) – WB Forum
	Sheila Carroll (SC)

Cllr Amanda Boote (Cllr AB) – WBC Byfleet & West Byfleet / SCC The Byfleets
Cllr Mary Bridgeman (Cllr MB) – WBC Byfleet & West Byfleet
Cllr Josh Brown (Cllr JB) – WBC Byfleet & West Byfleet
Cllr Liz Bowes (Cllr LB) – SCC Woking SE

Quorum: 8 members - the meeting was quorate.

Reports circulated and to be appended to minutes: Planning, Membership, Website, West Byfleet VR, Pyrford VR, Byfleet VR, Pyrford Forum, Note on CIL/NCIL, Note on Constitution, WB Public Space Vision V2

1. Welcome & Apologies for absence

SD welcomed everyone to this eleventh virtual meeting. He particularly welcomed Cllr Josh Brown, newly elected to WBC representing Byfleet and West Byfleet, Cllr Liz Bowes (re-elected) and Sheila Carroll who was joining the committee and attending her first meeting. SD invited everyone to introduce themselves.

Apologies had been received from Eleanor Grady and Cllr Gary Elson.

2. Minutes of the Meeting on 24 April 2021

The minutes were reviewed and 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

Plan RU.21/0207 – Cllr GE had agreed to find out what action WBC proposed to take with regards to the proposed development. SD reported that Cllr GE had done this and WBC would not be taking any action.

There were no other actions which were outstanding or not covered by this agenda.

4. Planning Report

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

- **White paper consultation** - Planning for the future – contents of the new Planning Bill announced in the Queens speech were not yet available. In addition to the RA and WBNF, WBC had also submitted a robust response to the consultation and SD was happy to supply a copy on request.
- **SADPD** – nothing further to report.

Action: Cllr AB to get an update from Ernest Amoako

- **Joint study on the future infrastructure requirements of east Woking**- ambitious timetable had been set with completion of Phase 1 due end May 2021. No indication as to whether or not this would be met. Report expected anytime between June and September 2021 with Cllr JB stating that he had been told that Phase one of the report would be issued soon. There was no confirmed date.
- **West Byfleet Village Centre Redevelopment** – WP had attended a meeting held on 17/5/21 and reported that demolition had started following the removal of asbestos and was on track to finish end September. Provision of spaces in the station car park to replace those which would be lost was still under negotiation but three months notice would be expected by end June for end September. There had been no progress on a replacement Post Office but it was noted that a new one would be opening very soon in New Haw.

- **39 Dartnell Park Road** – now permitted
- **Land on the side of Lock Lane, Pyrford** – refused. RA and PNF had objected but it was now being appealed.
- **Land west of Byfleet Road, New Haw** – As reported under agenda item 3, Cllr GE had confirmed that WBC would not be taking any action. The RA has objected
- **Woking Football Stadium development** – appeal before the Inspector is now in its second week. It is possible to watch the proceedings.
- **Wisley Airfield Garden Village**- AG noted that he had attended the consultation on the development. AG reported that he would like to do some research into the exact definitions of 'outline planning consent' and 'reserved matters' as these had not been fully understood for the West Byfleet village re-development.
- In this context it was noted that should the Planning Bill follow the proposals in the Consultation White Paper then land zoned for development would come with outline planning consent.
 WP had also attended part of the consultation and noted that the planned development was for 2,100 houses but was unsure if this was just for airfield acquired by Taylor Wimpey or whether it included adjoining land owned by other developers. Taylor Wimpey were working with the other landowners. A very informative report prepared by Nigel Badham for WBNF had been circulated. Whilst this development was not in the villages there would be an impact and the RA would keep a watching brief. It ought also to be considered as part of the Infrastructure joint study.
- AG also noted that Maybury (34/36 Beaufort Road) did not come under Pyrford Village as far as planning was concerned.
- AG commented that a decision on 26 Boltons Lane was expected soon and it seemed likely it would be refused.
- Lovelace Estate (?) Neighbourhood Plan had received approval in May – a consultation would follow.

5. Treasurer's Report

DS had circulated a report before the meeting.

DS noted that cash reserves had increased but there was expenditure pending on printing costs and Forum grants.

DS commented that the printing costs were higher than before. RM/ID confirmed that this was due to the increase in the number of pages – 24 rather than 18. Publishing online had made it possible to have more pages and it was felt that this first hardcopy edition after a year's break should create an impact.

DS agreed the printing costs for Edition 167 and would send email confirmation to ID/RM

Action: DS to confirm approval of newsletter printing costs

There were a number of invoices still outstanding which would be followed up.

6. Membership Secretary's Report

A report had been circulated before the meeting.

ID noted that subscriptions continued to trickle in. It was hoped that the hardcopy distribution by street reps would result in more being paid in cash or online.

Byfleet VR would be provided with additional copies to help with attracting more members. Apparently there was some confusion in Byfleet between the RA's newsletter (delivered to members) and the free Byfleet News. Holding an RA drop-in in the autumn might be a good option.

SD regretted the loss of contact with Byfleet Residents Neighbourhood Forum whose representatives had stopped attending RA meetings and wondered why this had happened. He noted how important it was to have a Neighbourhood Plan as it increased NCIL receipts (25% as opposed to 15%) and the adopted Planning Policies were taken into consideration by WBC Planning Committee for any planning applications.

Cllr AB noted that there was a perception that the RA had provided funds for Pyrford and West Byfleet Forums but not Byfleet. She reported that Byfleet NF was struggling due to lack of funds with members using personal funds to cover some of the costs. The draft Plan had been submitted and a response received from WBC which now needed to be addressed and professional advice sought as the required expertise had not been found. The Forum also needed to be redesignated. Some funds had been raised through crowdfunding but any contribution which RA could make would be welcomed.

Members of the committee refuted the notion that Byfleet Residents NF had not been provided with funds and explained that the same provision had been made for all the NFs. Once a plan was in place, further funds would

be released on the same basis as Pyrford and West Byfleet.

The professional advice that the RA financed prior to the Examination in Public re the SADPD was on behalf of both West Byfleet (GB9 and GB9A) and Byfleet (GB4 and GB5) Pyrford were in a different position.

Cllr AB noted that other issues had arisen in Byfleet which had diverted attention from work on the Plan.

SD asked that BRNF identify the costs being faced and present them to the RA for consideration.

PH informed Cllr AB that government funding (through Locality) was available for Forums and forwarded a link to her. She also believed that the level of grant available had been increased. This should be the primary source of Plan funding.

WP agreed to ask Ernest Amoako whether CIL money could be used for this but this was thought to be a long shot.

Actions: Cllr AB/MB to present expected costs for finishing the Plan to RA

PH to send funding links to CllrAB

WP to talk to Ernest Amoako re use of CIL money

(Chairman's note - subsequent to this meeting PH sent an email to Cllr AB setting out and clarifying the level of financial support that had been provided to the three NFs by the RA.)

7. Editorial

The Resident 167 – Summer 2021

As agreed, issue 167 would be hardcopy issued mid July, before the start of the school holidays.

3 June 2021 – copy deadline for articles and adverts

6/7 July 2021 – copy to printers

3,000 issues to be printed.

RM had already received some articles and chased up authors of others.

RM noted that Cllrs Brown and Dorsett had been asked to write 'first 100 days' articles.

All the contact information at the back of the newsletter would need an update.

There was a discussion as to whether the newsletter should be made available online and when. It was agreed that it should and that it should be uploaded at the same time as the hardcopy was issued. Much of the content in the newsletter would be out of date very quickly and it made no sense to have a delay.

ID would arrange this with Anita Flavell and also send by email to members who had provided their email addresses.

Advertising

As reported above a number of invoices had been issued.

8. Website

Anita had supplied the month's analytics which had been circulated.

SC noted that she ran a couple of FB sites and offered to share her knowledge/experience of social media with RM/ID who had agreed at the last meeting to look at a strategy for website/online communications.

Action: SC/ID/RM to meet re social media and online comms

9. Implications of the County and Borough Elections &

10. Councillors' Reports

Councillors were invited to present their reports.

Cllr Liz Bowes – would be spending some of the £23k highways allocation available to her on:

- improving the roads and pavements on the Lovelace estate, Pyrford which were in need of repair
- a speed survey along the Pyrford Road (was it Coldharbour Road??) as residents had complained about the speed of traffic. It was important to have independent evidence to see if there was an issue. The survey would also establish average speeds, times when there was speeding etc. Following a question Cllr LB noted that it was also possible for residents to carry out these surveys and she would be happy to help and advise any group who wanted to set one up.
- resurfacing of Church Hill, replacing signs and markings etc. Some of this work had already been carried out.

Cllrs Mary Bridgeman and Amanda Boote – the majority of activity had been on day to day issues and requests and the following were highlighted:

- Cllr AB had been instrumental in getting the new play equipment for Sanway Road and this had now been installed using funding from NCIL and Cllr AB's SCC budget.
- Cllr AB also had a £23k highways allocation some of which she would be using for the resurfacing of Brewery Road, Byfleet. With funding from another source the work would take place between High Road and Eden Grove Road. Mowbray Avenue pavement would also be repaired.
- Street lights had been provided for the Scouts to access their Byfleet meeting hut.
- Cllr AB invited requests from West Byfleet where she currently had no projects. Markings on Camphill Road outside the school were being repainted as they had become very faint.
- Cllr AB noted that she was using some of the community budget to support the Restoration of the Byfleet Fire Station. There would be an **open day on Plough Green on Saturday, 6 June 2021** to raise funds.

Cllr Josh Brown – looking forward to working with Cllrs AB and MB on behalf of residents. He was currently undergoing induction and had already carried out an orientation visit in WB with the new Director of Planning at WBC, Giorgio Framalico. He also planned to join the litter pick organised by SW Railway at Byfleet & New Haw Station along the canal, at West Byfleet Station and along the canal to Woking Station. He was also working his way through his inbox which was rapidly filling up.

ID noted that she had challenged a man taking photos along Woodlands Avenue who had said that he was part of an investigation into installing speed bumps. None of the councillors were aware of any plan for these and Cllr AB agreed to follow this up with SCC Highways.

11. Right of Way Report – Marion Malcher

There was no report.

12. Committee membership update and Constitution

SD reminded the Committee of the proposed new Constitution which had been agreed. This would be put before the next AGM.

In addition SD was now proposing 3 additional committee members without specific responsibility. The suggestion was that the preference would be that there was one from each Village but that this would not be a requisite. There was a discussion – KC thought this should be a requisite - and everyone was asked to feedback thoughts to SD before the next meeting.

Action: Feedback on the addition of 3 committee members

13. Village Representative Reports

Pyrford

AG had submitted a report but had left the meeting and no further comments were made

Byfleet

In the absence of EG, JPG had provided a report and further commented:

- Sanway Road playground - new equipment would now installed mid May
- Seed share - working well with seeds being collected and deposited at Byfleet Library. A delivery had also been made to Old Avenue, West Byfleet!!
- Byfleet Fire station – JPG encouraged everyone to attend on 6 June 2021. Help on the day to promote the RA would be welcomed. RM agreed to let JPG have back issues of the newsletter to hand out.

West Byfleet – KC had provided a comprehensive report.

KC gave an update as follows:

- RVG had offered the concrete planters which had stood in front of Apples & Pears for use in the village. WBC had been contacted about a potential new location. The alternative was to move them to the station.

- KC wished thanks to be extended to Richard Thomas who had been maintaining the village notice boards, ensuring that they displayed relevant information only. Due to limited mobility and family illness he was no longer able to do this and a volunteer was needed to take his place. Thanks to Richard were recorded. KC would take over in the interim.
- Borough housing strategy – KC wondered what, if any, input there should be from the RA or NFs. Primarily it addressed social housing and affordable rents. SD suggested that this was not for the RA or NFs and individuals should respond accordingly.
- SCC Active Travel Consultation – details had been emailed and as this included cycle route from Woking to WB it was agreed that the RA would respond. WBNF would also do so. SD/KC would prepare the RA response.

Action: SD/KC to response to Active Travel Consultation

- Public Space Vision – KC suggested that this might be published in the newsletter and residents' views invited. After discussion it was agreed that, due to the size of the document, it would be better to publish a short precis and seek views at a later date.

14. Forum Reports

West Byfleet – WP and nothing further to add to the report supplied by KC.

WP had written to Julie Fisher about the community centre and a response was awaited.

WP and Cllr AB would be meeting with the police to look at WB recreation ground.

Pyrford

AG had submitted a report and there were no further comments.

Byfleet – no report

14. AOB

Drop in dates: no drop in for June newsletter. Future drop-ins tbd

AGM – date and venue still tbd.

Meeting closed at 21:10

Date of the next meeting – Wednesday, 16 June 2021

It was hoped that in person meetings would be possible from July 2021 but this, and a suitable venue, were still tbc.

Meetings for 2020-21 – all at 19:00 on the 3rd Wednesday of the month, by Zoom until further notice:

2021 21 July, August – no meeting?
15 September, 20 October, 17 November, December – no meeting

2022

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PLANNING REPORT - May 2021

This report covers information received up to 25th May 2021

1. WHITE PAPER CONSULTATION - PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE

The Queen's Speech included a Planning Bill. We now await its publication. At this time there is nothing further to say.

Just to remind you all that the RA and WBNF responded to the Consultation. Woking Borough Council also submitted a very robust response focusing very much on the safeguarding of local democracy, influence and responsibility.

2. SADPD

The responses to the Main Modifications report are with the Inspector. Nothing further to report.

During the local election campaign I read several posts on social media that suggested that there was already a Planning Application for 555 dwellings at West Hall (GB9 and GB9A). Clearly this is totally misleading. Firstly these sites are still in Green Belt and the Inspector has yet to release his final report (June/September?) and secondly there is the Joint Study into Infrastructure. We are many months if not several years before we see a planning application.

However a note of caution - The contents of the Planning Bill could be unwelcome.

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

Background

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 (Councillors Ashall, Dorsett, Elson, Forster, Kirby, Morales and Aziz), 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.

Current

The RA and the Forums agreed on our approach. The basic research has been divided as follows:

Fiona (BRNF) - Flooding
Stewart and Penny (RA) - Health and Wellbeing
Andy (PNF) - Transport
Wade (WBNF) - Education

We have prepared a list of questions under each heading and these have been submitted to WBC.

I circulated the list of questions together with the response from Ernest Amoako prior to the April meeting.

4. WEST BYFLEET VILLAGE CENTRE REDEVELOPMENT

Background

The liaison group comprising representatives from:

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

have been meeting with the developer and Keeble Brown on a regular basis. These discussions have been very helpful and constructive. There were also 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 were 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.**

Current

The Planning Application for the Reserved Matters came before the Planning Committee on 6th April 2021. After some ill-directed initial debate on Balconies and Privacy, the Application received unanimous support.

Demolition has commenced. It is proceeding and is on schedule.

As regards car parking during construction an agreement for the equivalent number of spaces at the station car park awaits SWT Board sign off. A temporary Library remains under discussion and I am told that there has been good progress.

5. Wisley Airfield Garden Village

A separate report has been circulated. As yet NO Planning Application had been submitted. Should an application be approved, even for a much reduced number of new dwellings, it is inevitable that there will be additional and significant strain on the infrastructure in our Three Villages. This needs to be reflected in the current Infrastructure Study being undertaken by WBC (see 3 above).

RECENTLY APPROVED

6. 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.

The RA and WBNF objected. Councillor Boote led the support for this Application. All Councillors need to reacquaint themselves with the Woking Core Strategy and the Neighbourhood Forum Plans. This is particularly important now that we have a revamped Planning Committee.

For information I had a discussion with The Basingstoke Canal Society who were of the opinion that the developer did not have legal title to some of the land upon which they plan to build. The Basingstoke Canal Society after taking further advice revised their position and will be taking no action.

As yet a Method of Construction Statement has not been submitted.

7. 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 pointless.

8. PLAN/2021/0364 |

Address: Pyrford Golf Club Warren Lane Pyrford Woking Surrey GU22 8XR

External alterations and alterations to fenestration including installation of bi-fold doors in place of existing windows, new window to replace double doors, new entrance lobby within existing porch and installation of flue

REFUSED

9. 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

10. PLAN/2020/0363

Address: Twisted Stone Golf Club Pyrford Road Woking Surrey GU22 8UE

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

Refused WITH Enforcement

11. 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.

12. PLAN/2020/0660

Address: Manor House, Mill Lane, Byfleet, West Byfleet, Surrey, KT14 7RS

Erection of an outbuilding including an indoor swimming pool and associated landscaping works and pergolas, following demolition of existing outbuildings.

13. 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.

14. PLAN/2021/0368 -

Address: Manor House Mill Lane Byfleet West Byfleet Surrey KT14 7RS

Prior notification for the erection of a building for storage of machinery and a workshop for forestry activities

UNDER CONSIDERATION

15. 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

16. 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

17. 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

18. 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

19. 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

20. 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

21. 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

22. 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 14th May****31. PLAN/2021/0453**

Address: Loteni Blackdown Avenue Pyrford Woking Surrey GU22 8QH

Erection of new timber main entrance gates with brick piers and separate pedestrian gate. Construction of new paving and path

Pending Consideration**Comments by 21st May**

(See 12. A totally revised application - no objection)

32. PLAN/2021/0404

Address: Fairfield Woodlands Road West Byfleet Surrey KT14 6JW

Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of four detached dwellings and associated access and landscaping.

Pending Consideration**Comments by 21st May**

The computer generated image of the frontage shows at least as many mature trees as at present. This is not possible. This is totally misleading. There will therefore be a detrimental impact on the street scene.

33. PLAN/2021/0489

Address: 154 Old Woking Road Woking Surrey GU22 8LE

Erection of a two storey side extension and front porch following demolition of existing porch. Erection of a single storey rear extension and 1No rear rooflight.

Pending Consideration**Comments by 1st June 2021****34. PLAN/2020/0846**

Address: Land On The South Side Of Lock Lane Pyrford Woking Surrey GU22 8UX

Erection a single storey dwelling and formation of a vehicular access onto Lock Lane following demolition of existing stables and field shelter (AMENDED SITE ADDRESS)

Refused (RA objected) but now being appealed.

35. PLAN/2021/0441

Address: Globe House Lavender Park Road West Byfleet Surrey KT14 6ND

Variation of condition 3 to PLAN/2016/0990 (Extension of the existing Globe House to increase living space on existing apartments and to create 6no self contained flats (3no studio and 3no 1 bed units) with associated landscaping works (Amended Description) (Amended Plans)) to allow for internal changes to the ground floor cycle and waste storage facilities for the increase in size of one of the first floor flats.

Pending Consideration**Comments by 4th June****36. PLAN/2021/0551**

Address: 25 Lovelace Drive Pyrford Woking Surrey GU22 8QY

Erection of two storey rear extension to include roof alterations.

Pending Consideration**Comments by 10th June****37. PLAN/2021/0563**

Address: 71 Hamilton Avenue Pyrford Woking Surrey GU22 8RU

Erection of a part first floor, part single storey rear extension following demolition of existing rear extension. Conversion of integral garage to habitable accommodation and associated fenestration changes

Pending Consideration**Comments by 10th June**

38. PLAN/2021/0585

Address: 3 Roughlands Pyrford Woking Surrey GU22 8PT

Erection of first floor side extensions, changes to roofline, windows and doors.

Pending Consideration

Comments by 12th June

OTHERS

39. 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 Malcher we will take no action but keep the matter under review.

40. 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).

41. 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.

The RA have **OBJECTED** - Green Space/Open Land and Traffic. Suggested that they undertake an Infrastructure Study as is being done by WBC

Ref: SJCD/RA/Planning Report/May 2021

Byfleet, West Byfleet and Pyrford Residents Association
TREASURER'S REPORT
25 May 2021

The following Statement of Financial Affairs is for the period from 1st of January 2021 to 25th of May 2021.

Update on financials for the current period

Subscription income for the period is £3,670 (Mar £2,038). Our total cash reserves continue to remain healthy at £30,001 (Mar £27,623). The current increase in cash reserves is temporary as we are yet to pay the printing costs of £1,960 and the 2021 Neighbourhood forum grants.

For the year, £1,720 has been invoiced for advertising and £880 was collected. One of the new advertiser - Wine and Something has informed their intention to cancel if no orders received after the next issue.

As previously highlighted, we anticipate to have 20% lower subscription income to that of year 2019. The advertising revenue is expected to 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 / delayed collection activity during Q1 and Q2 of 2021.

Dharma Sivarajasingham
Hon. Treasurer
25/05/2021

**Byfleet, West Byfleet & Pyrford
Residents Association**
to 25 May 2021

INCOME	Year to date	
	£	£
Subscriptions and member donations:		
Byfleet	387	
West Byfleet	1,753	
Pyrford	1,475	
Subscriptions not allocated	55	
2019 paid in 2018	-	
2020 paid in 2019 or to be allocated	-	
		3,670
Advertising (includes receipts from 2019 invoices)		880
Bank Interest		2
Donations		-
Other		-
Total Income		4,552

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	225
Mileage/Parking	-
Forums - Pyrford	-
- Byfleet	-
- West Byfleet	-
	<u>-</u>
Total Expenditure	<u>225</u>
Surplus/(Deficit)	<u>£4,327</u>
Opening Cash	£25,674
Surplus/(Deficit)	<u>£4,327</u>
Closing Cash	<u>£30,001</u>
Analysis of Cash	
Current Account	7,034
Un allocated Collections	
Accounts + 2020 subs not allocated	55
Overnight Deposit	7,749
32Day deposit	<u>15,164</u>
	<u>£30,001</u>

* Donations	£
FRIENDS OF BYFLEET -	
GODFREY BENCH	
BYFLEET AMENITIES	
	<u>£0</u>
* Community Support	
BELL CORNWELL RE-	
SADPD	0
Printing Leaflets - walk in	
Centre	<u>0</u>
	<u>0</u>
* Sundries	
	<u>£0</u>

MEMBERSHIP REPORT MAY (22 MAY 2021)

KEY POINTS 2021 YEAR TO DATE

The total annual membership subscriptions received to date for 2021 is **£3669**.

	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	387	55	nil	442	1725	2,765
West Byfleet	1753	nil	nil	1753	3584	4,812
Pyrford	1474	nil	nil	1474	3972	4,613
TOTAL	3614	55	0	3669	9281	12190

Total membership numbers:

	2019	2020	2021
Byfleet	576	561	562
West Byfleet	793	781	790
Pyrford	1,089	1039	1044
“Other”	11	18	18
TOTAL	2,469	2,399	2414

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	275
West Byfleet	305	429	491	508
Pyrford	421	452	488	526
TOTAL	993	1,143	1,250	1309
Percentage of Members	35%	46%	52%	54%

PYRFORD VR REPORT - 19 May 2021 (as of 16 May 2021)

A) MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS

So far in 2021, £1,475 has been received from 199 members, 47% of the £3,118 collected this time last year. All bar £155 has been paid directly into a RA bank account.

The subscriptions received year to date represent 20% of the membership and 37% of that paid in all of 2020. In 2020 only 62% of the recorded membership paid compared to 76 % in 2019.

The frequency of payments and an analysis in the last three years is shown below:-

Membership 1013	Total	In database	To enter	No members	Average
	£	£	£		£
Paid Directly to Pyrford Collections	1,470	1,470	0	197	7.46
Paid into Main Account	5	5	0	1	5.00
Cheques & cash to bank	0	0	0	0	
Totals	1,475	1,475	0	198	7.45
Ytd to May 2020	3,118				
	47%				
2020 Members Subs	3,967			630	6.30
% 2021 so far ccf 2020 outturn	37.2%			31.4%	118.3%
Memberships Paid		£	No	%	Av
2019		4,568	772	76.2%	5.92
2020		3,967	630	62.2%	6.30
2021		1,475	198	19.5%	7.45
Member Households			1,013		

B) STREET REP GAPS

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

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

C) MARSHAL PARADE DEVELOPMENT SAGA

Building continues. The roof tiles and some roof windows are now on.

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.

Recently, one of the properties has now reseeded the verge.

The VR will continue to monitor.

E) PAVEMENTS

Some of the pavements in Lovelace Drive have been repaired.

F) PLANNING APPLICATIONS

These are covered in more detail in both the Pырford Neighbourhood Forum report and the RA Planning Report.

G) TRAVELLERS

The travellers who moved on 18 April 2021 from the Harvester in West Byfleet to the field on Pырford Common Road opposite the Bothy moved on again within 48 hours.

H) MAY 2021 ELECTIONS

Cllr Graham Chrystie (Liberal Democrat) was defeated by Cllr Steve Dorsett (Conservative) meaning that at Borough level in Pырford all three ward councillors are Conservative.

Cllr Liz Bowes was re-elected in the South East Woking County Division.

Andrew Grimshaw
Pырford Village Rep

Byfleet West Byfleet and Pyrford Residents Association

May 2021

Village Representative Report West Byfleet For Committee and Street Reps

Admin

Our Shielding has now ceased officially, so nice to see a bit more of the village again!

We continue to have a significant number of online payments so thanks to all Street Reps who have been encouraging this and also to those who have been collecting cash and cheques. Details of amounts in Members' secretary report.

As before, we need to identify street reps for the top of Coldharbour Road, Claremont Road, Rivey Close and Madeira Road and related side roads.

We also need better street rep coverage for blocks of apartments such as Globe, Magna, Wentworth, Tattenhall and Rosemount. Any potential volunteer contact addresses would be welcome.

Just as a reminder, I will not be standing again as the Village Rep at the next AGM. Anyone interested in working with the team during the remainder of my term with the thought of standing, please contact me.

Local issues

Elections,

I am sure everyone is aware that Josh Brown (Cons.) was elected to Woking Borough Council and Amanda Boote (Ind.) re-elected to Surrey County Council to represent most of our area. With Steve Dorsett (Cons.) elected to WBC for the Pyrford area. Liz Bowes (Cons.) was re-elected for Woking South East (which includes Pyrford) for SCC. Our thanks go to John Bond and Graham Chrystie for their contributions as Borough Councillors. We look forward to continue working with ongoing and new councillors.

Work with WB Neighbourhood Forum (WBNF) continues to be excellent. Much of the following also heavily involves WBNF, on which note we would like to extend our appreciation and welcome to two new WBNF committee members, Nigel Badham and Mike Corbett.

Sheer House.

The WB Village Centre Liaison Group, created by WBNF and RVG continues to meet.

The concerns about traffic, parking and disturbance, especially during demolition and construction, remain on the agenda and RVG contractors are requested to avoid using either side of Madeira Road by using Lavender Park Road and Station Approach, although the access to the site will be via the small entrance almost opposite the New Haweli.

A minor but potentially dangerous situation involving some loose panelling in Madeira Road was quickly remedied thanks to both an alert resident and RVG contractors. The incident was apparently unconnected with the demolition just general deterioration of the site, further safety checks were carried out and protective sheeting put in place. The demolition contractor, Squibb, is forecasting end-September site ready for construction. RVG are looking for main contractor mid-November start.

RVG are starting on consultations for naming the site and the individual buildings based on the history of the site probably related to the essential oils industry. RVG's useful newsletter will no doubt expand further in due course. Replacement Post Office, RVG are seeking potential tenants.

Unrelated to, but prompted by, this development, we have reminded our Councillors and SCC Traffic to assess the implementation of a gyratory system, after completion of the site, for that part of Madeira Road and Station Approach. Our original request got delayed by the elections. A review of Station Approach is on the schedule of works. We believe a gyratory system would improve residents' safety and discourage use of the whole of Madeira Road as a "rat-run". Coupled with a continuous pavement (like Chertsey Road in central Woking) it would improve the street scene and be of benefit to the retail premises.

Broadoaks Development

We are advised that the destruction of the old data centre, Sherwood house, has started and progressing apace. The Care Home facility is progressing rapidly and advertising for staff to start in the autumn.

Wisley Airfield Development

A large housing and community space is being planned for the former Wisley Airfield. Nigel Badham prepared an excellent overview for WBNF that should be available in the next minutes. There is unlikely to be significant impact on WB although some future residents may choose WB Station as their preferred commuter route rather than the recommended East Horsley or Effingham Junction. Byfleet & New Haw station is recommended by the developers as a local active travel junction using Muddy Lane and Wisley Lane for access. They are also mooted a local bus service to West Byfleet. The writers have clearly never tried to cycle down Oyster Lane or crossing the Pyrford Lock bridge!

Access to the scheme from the A3 is dependant on the proposed M25 J10 improvements and Wisley Lane diversion, the decision for which was subject to a 4month deferral by the Secretary of State to 12th May. We have just been advised that this decision will again be deferred until mid-November.

Active Travel

A245. The remainder of the path stretching between Byfleet and West Byfleet is still not approved despite the commitment dating from 2006 (see [https://mycouncil.surreycc.gov.uk/Data/Woking Local Committee/20061102/Agenda/Item 10 -Broadoaks development.pdf](https://mycouncil.surreycc.gov.uk/Data/Woking%20Local%20Committee/20061102/Agenda/Item%2010%20-Broadoaks%20development.pdf)). Even though the commitment was made in November 2020 to comment specifically upon the proposal at the March 2021 Joint Committee meeting, this was not done. Consideration of road investment schemes was done at prior meetings between Surrey Traffic and local councillors and no record of local developments has yet been made available. It does not appear on the current scheme of works although it remains part of the strategic framework. Although the primary benefit is to school pupils from Byfleet, we will continue to press for this path to be completed.

There are no local improvements to be provided in our area under the next tranche of emergency Active Travel funding provided to SCC by the Government.

Recreation Ground and Pavilion

Further discussions by WBNF with Councillors and Council Officers and others are ongoing.

SADPD

Irrespective of the outcome of the Inspector's deliberations, we are concerned about the impact on the protected Old Wood and the unprotected Tins and Dodds Woods. We are seeking ways to ensure they can be maintained and even expanded.

Under English Law, Ancient Woodlands have to have been in existence for 500 years so Old Wood is so classified (Scotland only 300years!) Byfleet Heritage Society have records (maps) of Dodds and Tins Woods dating back to 1704. Further research will take place at Surrey History Centre in Woking.

Infrastructure Study - tba

Camphill Tip

A small group has met who are keen to see the Camphill Tip being used as a photovoltaic farm and avoid expansion of the industrial site given its restricted access. This has received positive encouragement from Woking Borough Council but they warn they have no investment funding available to pursue this themselves or currently within their wholly owned company, Thamesway, so alternate avenues are being pursued.

The WB Community Gardening Group

The Group have continued planting around and on West Byfleet Station and it is already starting to look good. The planting around Birch Green and in the village centre is reacting reasonably well to the early spring and further planting has taken place.

If people want to contact the group directly email Loubergman@hotmail.com or Rebecca Bradshaw at westbyfleetcommunitygardening@gmail.com or search Facebook for West Byfleet Community Gardening Group

Library

Surrey Libraries reopened on 12th April. Further information at <https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/libraries/news-and-events/news/coronavirus>

Our local Councillor is establishing, with SCC Library Services and RVG, the provision of cover during the demolition and construction phase. There is space allocated in the new development for a permanent library adjacent to Byfleet Corner.

COVID Support Volunteers

The group, being led by Emma Osborne, is still supporting people in need as is Byfleet Care who are also helping people get to their vaccine appointments. This is much appreciated

Other

The following open issues are recorded here for continuity but have had no or little apparent movement since last report.

- 1 WBC Cycling and Walking Strategy, this was published quietly in March 2020. It is a poor document no reference to the east of the borough except for WB Station being one end of a safe cycling route for Sheerwater (the other end being Woking Town Centre) Active Travel strategy should have been discussed at the Joint Committee meeting of SCC and WBC on November 11th but only individual schemes were covered not the strategic approach, which was disappointing. We hope the Joint Committee will take note of our Active Travel Vision.
- 2 Youth project, delayed by Covid.
- 3 Highways England Walking and Cycling strategy for areas impacted by the M25 J10 proposals.
- 4 Highways England J10 proposals impact on Painshill junction from traffic congestion and non-motorised user perspectives.
- 5 The traffic pollution monitoring from the Parvis Road, positioning of detectors at relevant places is still outstanding.
- 6 West Byfleet Community Festival (West Byfleet Live), The date for 2021 has been cancelled and the Committee are looking forward to planning an extra-special 2022 event.

Businesses:

Note also Sheer House report above.

tba

We continue to be grateful for the engagement and support from our local councillors.

Keith Creswell 17/05/2021

BWBPRA Committee Byfleet Report 26 May 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: 30

Of which number stepped down since last report: 0

Of which new since the last report: 1

AMO Role

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

Street Reps: We have recruited one new Street Rep, but many others are still needed.

Subscriptions:

Only £442 has been banked so far for 2021, compared to £1725 in 2020 (25%) and £2765 in 2019 (16%). It is hoped that great progress will be made with this alongside delivery of the Resident Newsletter in July.

Village Matters:

Byfleet Fire Station Trust

- The Byfleet Fire Station Fun Day is being held on Plough Green on June 5th, to raise awareness of the fundraising initiative to maintain this historic, listed building and to allow its preservation and use as a community space. The RA hopes to attend and share a corner of the Byfleet Amenities Group's table to hand out copies of 'The Resident' and support the event.

New equipment for Sanway Road Playground

- The new playground equipment has now been installed in the Sanway Road children's playground. This is being used enthusiastically. Many thanks to the BRNF and to Fiona Syrett and Lynn Cozens for their role in organising this.

May 2021 elections:

- Josh Brown (Conservative) was elected as borough councillor for the Byfleet and West Byfleet ward of Woking Borough Council. Amanda Boote (Independent) was elected as county councillor for The Byfleets division of Surrey County Council.

RA Events and expenditure:

RA Garden Seed Share Scheme pilot: Seeds continue to be available from the Byfleet Community Library and the St Mary's Centre for the Community in Stream Close, Byfleet. This has proved quite popular with several seeds having been topped up as supplies were taken.

No expenditure.

A.O.B. None

Thank you, Jean-Pierre Frossard and Eleanor Grady - JPF/EMG 19 May 2021