

**CAM PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PLANNING & HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE HELD WEDNESDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2011 AT  
6.30PM IN THE COUNCIL SHOP**

**PRESENT:** J Fowles (Chair), B Whatling, N Ledoux, M Clifton, D Pritchard

**APOLOGIES:** J Tyndall, J Hudson, B Tipper

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Cllr Andrewartha, 1 member of public, S Hanman (Clerk)

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**P.10.195. To Receive and Accept Apologies for absence.**

Apologies as listed above were received and accepted

**P.10.196. To Receive Declarations of Interest**

Cllr Andrewartha noted his Code of Conduct in respect of his Membership of SDC Development Control Committee  
Cllrs Andrewartha and Ledoux noted personal interests in respect of the proximity of their properties to the  
Settlement Boundary

**P.10.197. To receive any questions, statements or submissions from members of the public in attendance, or  
from any Councillor in respect of any agenda item in which he/she has a Prejudicial Interest**

None raised

**P.10.198. To Approve and Sign Minutes of meetings held 2<sup>nd</sup> February as a True and Correct Record.**

It was RESOLVED that the Minutes be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair

**P.10.199. To Note Matters Arising from the Minutes and Not Covered by Agenda Items, for Information Only**

None raised

**P.10.200. To Consider new applications for Planning Permission: -**

The following applications were considered and observations agreed:

11/0034/VAR	32 Draycott	Variation of Condition 1 to renew planning permission 07/2422/FUL for the demolition of existing kitchen/bathroom And erection of single storey extension
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NO OBSERVATIONS

(In respect of this application, it was noted that SDC had advised that, despite the addition of a roof extension since the original permission for the extension, it was not considered that there had been a material change in circumstances since the permission was first granted – thus any change to that permission would be unlikely to be upheld at appeal)

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11/0130/COU	The Cider House	Conversion and extension of existing barn to create double Garage, workshop and store
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NO OBSERVATIONS

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**P.10.201. To respond to consultation from Stroud district Council on the review of settlement boundaries**

It was noted that, as part of its Core Strategy work, the District Council was carrying out an initial review of the settlement boundaries identified in the Local Plan. Some of these had been challenged on the basis that they are not based on easily recognisable features, such as roads, hedgerows etc, and some mapping errors and anomalies had also been identified. The focus of this review was thus to correct errors, remove arbitrary boundaries and/or to regularise the mapping where new development may have subsequently taken place beyond existing settlement boundaries. It was also proposed to change the term 'settlement boundary' to 'development limits' in order to better reflect their planning role.

After some discussion, the following three areas for change were noted:

- Woodend Lane/Manor Avenue – Boundary amended to follow identifiable features, reflect existing development and allow for limited logical infill development on Manor Avenue.
- Bowers Lea/Spark Hill – Boundary amended to reflect existing development
- Orchard Leaze – Boundary amended to reflect existing development and follow identifiable features.

These were annotated on the map as instructed and would be forwarded to the District Council.

Cllr Andrewartha left the meeting at 7.40pm

**P.10.202. To note any issues relating to public rights of way in the Parish and agree any actions to be taken**

None raised.

**P.10.203. To receive any comments with regard to highways affecting the Parish and agree any actions**

**a) To confirm position regarding grit supplies**

Gloucestershire Highways had responded to queries on grit provision to confirm that they will not provide any additional grit bins, but will endeavour to fill any provided by Parish Councils, as long as locations are approved by them. They also confirmed that they are happy to supply bagged grit for parish councils to administer supply to individuals who they feel will use the resource sensible and on the public highway. However, if they make a bulk supply to parish councils (as opposed to the bagged supply) they would expect those councils to take responsibility for the filling of bins.

It was thus RESOLVED to ask Council for an amended budget of £500 to allow the provision of additional grit bins if a serious need for these is identified. It was further RESOLVED not to accept a bulk supply of grit but to continue to hold a supply of bagged grit for provision to the community in emergencies. However, this would be provided in accordance with the following policy:

Cam Parish Council will endeavour to maintain a supply of bagged grit and will make this available to the public for use on the public highway. However, it cannot undertake to deliver the grit and anyone requesting a supply must be prepared to collect it from a central location. The Parish Council can also not guarantee that the bagged grit supply can be made available at times when the Council Office is not operational.

Handouts would be given with grit supplies made to make this clear and to stress that the grit must only be used on the public highway and spread at appropriate rates.

**b) Other highway issues reported**

**Woodview Road** – Deep pothole reported near No.100 – would be reported to Glos. Highways

**P.10.204. To receive any comments on public transport issues and agree actions.**

**a) To comment on County Council proposals for the future of bus services**

The County Council' press release was noted. It was agreed that detailed proposals should be awaited before making any comment.

**P.10.205. Any Other Planning & Highway Matters for Information or Referral Only**

The following issues were reported:

**Everlands** – It was noted that there had been an increase in the number of reports of inappropriate driving (not necessarily actually exceeding speed limits) and that this route was now being used by a lot more traffic, particularly at peak times. The narrow road and pavement had resulted in several incidents or near misses involving vehicles and pedestrians. The possibility of a request for a 20mph speed limit would be raised on the agenda for the next meeting of this Committee.

**Cam Pitch** – Misleading sign to Rednock School had still not been removed – this would be raised again with the school

**Woodfield Road** – Footpath to Frederick Thomas Road is excessively littered – would be reported to SDC.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared closed at 8.05pm.