

COPYTHORNE PARISH COUNCIL (PLANNING)**Copythorne Parish Hall – 14 March 2006****(7.00 p.m. – 9.00 p.m.)**

PRESENT: Cllr G James (Chairman); Cllr Lady Kara Hawks, Cllr Mrs G Hollands, Cllr A Nisbet, Cllr J Samways, Cllr G Stenson and Cllr R Wray

163. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Members agreed to comment as follows on current applications:

- 87192 Furzley Farm, Blackhill Road, Furzley (Single-storey rear extensions). Support (3)
- 87214 Craigend, Whinwhistle Road, East Wellow (Single-storey side extension; rear conservatory; pitch roof to existing dormer). Support (3)
- 87219 Laburnum Cottage, Old Lyndhurst Road (Two-storey side extension). Support (1)
- 87292 Barney Hayes Farm, Barney Hayes Lane (Detached outbuilding). Object (4)

164. ANNUAL PARISH MEETING, 8 MARCH 2006

The Clerk tabled a list of matters raised during the Open Forum session at the recent Annual Parish Meeting. One matter required action on the Parish Council's part, namely overhanging branches in Old Newbridge Road. This was being pursued with the County Surveyor.

165. FOXBURY PLANTATION

A letter from The National Trust gave details of their proposed purchase of Foxbury Plantation from the Longford Estate. The Estate would retain timber rights for 10 years, involving felling of the commercial stands of conifers. Thereafter the Trust would restore these areas to heathland and deciduous woodland.

Parishes were invited to a scoping meeting on 5 April 2006 at Bramshaw Village Hall and the Chairman proposed to attend.

166. THE NEW FOREST TRANSPORT NETWORK

Members noted details of a transport seminar on 7 April 2006 at Beaulieu to discuss the future demands of the New Forest transport network.

167. CADNAM RIVER

The Clerk tabled a letter from the Environment Agency on the position concerning the proposed flood alleviation scheme. The letter explained that the Agency had been expecting a further approach from either the Parish Council or Mrs Martin following their conclusion that a bypass channel to the north of the motorway was not practical.

Members referred to an existing ditch along the southern side of the motorway which could serve as a bypass channel if properly cleared. It was agreed to ask the Agency to investigate this option. Further enquiries would also be made about the felling of trees in the river.

168. PARISH WEB SITE

Both the Chairman and Clerk were experiencing problems in preparing the web site for live operation. The Clerk would therefore ask NFDC for advice and assistance. In addition, the Chairman was authorised to make enquiries of a local company with a view to establishing and supporting an alternative site.

CHAIRMAN _____ **DATE** _____

The following matters were discussed during the public participation period:

Planning application 87192 (Furzley Farm)

Planning application 87292 (Barney Hayes Farm)