



Broomfield Parish Council

A meeting of **Broomfield Parish Council Planning Committee** was held on **Wednesday 6th November 2024 at 7.30 pm** in the Parish Office, Broomfield Village Hall for the purpose of transacting the business shown in the agenda.

PLN24/106	Members attending Present: Cllr Blake, Bowman, Thomson & Scott Apologies: Cllr Barnes Cllr Odelana did not attend the meeting. Motion: To record and accept apologies for absence – unanimously agreed.		
PLN24/107	Declarations of Interest No declarations were made.		
PLN24/108	Public Question Time No members of public were present.		
PLN24/109	To Approve Previous Minutes The minutes of the last meeting held on 2 nd October were approved as a true record and signed. Unanimously agreed.		
PLN24/110	Planning Applications received for consultation:		
a.	24/01392/FUL	1 Roselawn Fields	Demolition of existing rear conservatory and replacement with a single storey extension
	DECISION: No objection		
b.	24/01386/FUL	2 Scotts Green	Proposed demolition of existing outbuildings & erection of a single storey detached dwelling with associated amenity & parking. Alteration to existing access.
	DECISION: No objection		
c.	24/01435/FUL	26 Mill Lane	Two storey side extension, single storey front extension and alterations to fenestration on the first floor rear extension as approved under application 23/01504/FUL
	DECISION: No objection		
PLN24/111	To discuss any applications received up until the date of the meeting No applications had been received.		
PLN24/112	To receive decisions made by Chelmsford City Council re previous applications consulted upon Noted.		
PLN24/113	Policy Matters:		
a.	To receive an update on the Neighbourhood Plan. An update was presented by the Chair and after discussion it was agreed to proceed with drop in events as proposed (16 th and 18 th January 2025) and to accept the quotation from Places 4 People (to update and publicise the Referendum version of the NP. All in favour. It was also noted that the NP is now a material consideration so if any planning application flies in the face of the NP or policies we can now quote them in support of our response.		

b.	To receive an update on the budget for the current financial year 2024/5 Excluding staffing costs, the delegated budget of £8k is made up of: £3k - professional support with the Local Plan Review £1k - professional support with the Neighbourhood Plan £4k - general consultancy costs. <u>Spending/commitments to date and likely final position:</u> £3k Local Plan Review – this has not been used as we have been able to make all our responses in-house. £1k NP - £720 spent. If we decide to proceed with Ian's support for the referendum, there would be a further spend of £681 + £180 (see his fee proposal). Plus the cost of hiring Village Hall for 1 and a half days. This would lead to a total spend of £1,581 (plus Village Hall hire costs). It was proposed that the overspend be made by virement from the Local Plan Review part of our budget. £4k - general consultancy costs. So far, £500 has been spent on the Scoping Report by Alison Farmer in connection with Norwich to Tilbury pylon consultation. Therefore, there are sufficient funds to contribute £2,735 to the full landscape study (see 113 d. below). Therefore, the total spend/commitment would be £3,235 on this aspect of the Committee's budget. Therefore, the 2024/25 total spend would be approximately £5k against the total budget of £8k.
c.	To consider requirements for next year's Planning Budget for 2025/6 Assuming the Neighbourhood Plan passes the referendum and is adopted by Chelmsford City Council (this will all take place in this financial year) no NP budget will be required. However, the following issues will come up and our responses will likely need professional support: • Norwich to Tilbury Development Consent Order (or DCO) application • Chelmsford Local Plan Review Either or both of these could well require significant professional support. Therefore, it was proposed that the Planning Committee ask the Parish Council to allocate a budget of £6k for 'Professional Support' for 2025/26. All in favour. ACTION: Request be made to BPC for budget of £6k for Professional Support plus staffing costs.
d.	To consider a Proposal to commission landscape work by Alison Farmer Associates, to be jointly funded by the West of Chelmsford Parishes Group, at a cost of £2,750 to this Council (to come from the Planning Budget for Consultant's Fees).

	<i>(The aim of the work would be to provide more detailed professional data on the impact of development on the wider West of Chelmsford area - for instance the NG Norwich to Tilbury proposals and potential development following the increase in Chelmsford's housing targets).</i> It was agreed to commission landscape work by Alison Farmer at a cost to BPC of £2,735 from the 2024/25 Consultant Fee's Budget. Unanimously agreed.
PLN24/114	Correspondence received (if any) It was brought to the attention of the Committee of an application to vary existing premises licence hours at the King's Arms Public House. This will be added to agenda of the full Parish Council's Meeting to be held on 13th November 2024 for comment.
PLN24/115	CONFIDENTIAL Planning Enforcement – to note Chelmsford City Council's Planning Enforcement Notices <i>The Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 Sec 1 (2) states "A body may, by resolution, exclude the public from a meeting (whether during the whole or part of the proceedings) whenever publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted or for other special reasons stated in the resolution and arising from the nature of that business or of the proceedings; and where such a resolution is passed, this Act shall not require the meeting to be open to the public during proceedings to which the resolution applies"</i>
a.	Planning Enforcement Monthly Update Noted. 19 Broomhall Road – dismissed Land rear of 21 to 23a Broomhall Road – dismissed
b.	Update re Roselawn Farm – Notice of Appeal re Roselawn Farm on 15th October 2024. The Hearing has taken place and a decision is awaited from the Inspector which should be made by the end of this year. The Chair had perused the documents from the final hearing which are available to view here – Development Management, Policy & EDI Sharepoint Site - Roselawn Farm Core Documents Library - All Documents
PLN24/105	Any other business to be referred to the next meeting There being no further business the meeting was closed at 9.05 pm