

# Wickham Bishops Parish Council

## Parish Councillors

Mrs A Mickelsen (Chairman)  
I D Wardrop (Vice-Chairman)  
H M Bass  
P J Bates  
I S F MacGregor  
R J E Mundell  
S J Nicholas  
J Williams



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<b>MINUTES</b> <b>Of Planning Committee Meeting held Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2017 at 11.30am in the Village Hall Boardroom</b>	
Item	Subject
17P/033	<b>Those Present and Apologies for Absence</b> In the chair: Cllr MacGregor Present: Cllrs Mundell and Wardrop; the Clerk. There was one member of the public present.
17P/034	<b>Declaration of Interests and Compliance with the Ethical Framework</b> There were no Declarations of Interest.
17P/035	<b>Public Forum</b> A member of the public spoke on behalf of applications <i>HOUSE/MAL/17/00642 - Lauren House 14 Blacksmith Lane</i> and <i>HOUSE/MAL/17/00557 - 16 Blacksmiths Lane Wickham Bishops</i>
17P/036	<b>Planning Applications</b> <b>HOUSE/MAL/17/00642 - Lauren House 14 Blacksmith Lane Wickham Bishops</b> One letter of comments had been received. Councillors considered that the resulting blank wall towards 1 and 2 Byron Drive would be partly relieved by an obscured glazed window, and noted that the occupants had raised no objections. <b>Resolved:</b> The Planning Committee recommended APPROVAL. Proposed Cllr MacGregor, seconded Cllr Mundell. <b>HOUSE/MAL/17/00557 - 16 Blacksmiths Lane Wickham Bishops</b> No further letters of representation had been received. Councillors acknowledged that the reduced-height pillars and side fences would fall under permitted development. Councillors considered that the height, style and appearance of the gate piers and gate would result in them being highly conspicuous in the street scene, which consists of mainly low walls or open frontages, and would therefore fail to respect and enhance the local context. For this reason, the application was concluded to be contrary to LDP policy D1 – <i>Design Quality and Built Environment</i> . <b>Resolved:</b> The Planning Committee recommended REFUSAL. Proposed Cllr MacGregor, seconded Cllr Mundell. A member of the public left the meeting. <b>HOUSE/MAL/17/00679 - Ballards Wickham Hall Lane Wickham Bishops</b> No letters of representation had been received. Councillors noted that the nearby dwelling 'Benton Manor' was fitted with gates similar to the proposal. <b>Resolved:</b> The Planning Committee recommended APPROVAL. Proposed Cllr Mundell, seconded Cllr Wardrop. There were no delegated recommendations made by the Clerk, and no appeals received or decided by the Planning Inspectorate, to note. The decision made by Maldon District Council was noted.
17P/037	<b>Dates of Future Meetings</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> August 2017 Planning Committee Meeting at 8.00pm</li> <li>- Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2017 Parish Council Meeting at 7.30pm</li> </ul>
17P/038	<b>Close of Meeting 11.45am</b>