BENTWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF PLANNING MEETING

29th July 2025

1. **Apologies for Absence -** Apologies were received and accepted from Scott Neville and David Eyre-Brook.

2. **Confirmation of Minutes - Resolved**
   The Minutes of the Planning meeting held on 18th February 2025 copies previously circulated, **Proposed as a true record by Simon Lane, Seconded by Nikki White and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED and signed by Chairman Neal Day.**

3. **Declaration of Interest -** Councillor Sheena Robertson declared and interest in agenda item 5. a) EHDC-25-0676-TPO.

4. **Public Participation**
   Sheena Robertson spoke as a member of the public giving details of and the reasons for application EHDC-25-0676-TPO.

5. **Planning Applications** – Council considered one planning application, their comments to be forwarded to East Hampshire District Council.

Councillor Sheena Robertson took no part in the discussion or decision for the next item.

a) EHDC-25-0676-TPO The Park Lodge Holt End Lane, Bentworth **NO OBJECTION**
H1 - Holly Ilex aquifolium, hawthorn Crataegus monogyna, elder Sambucus nigra, field maple Acer campestre, ash Fraxinus excelsior: Coppice holly, hawthorn, elder, field maple, ash, and other hedge species along the historic line of the hedge on top of embankment adjacent to carriageway between the carriageway and the outbuildings to reinstate hedge management. Plant new hedge between coppice stools with double offset staggered row 0.5m apart with British native hawthorn 60%, guelder rose 10%, dog rose 10%, dog wood 10%, and hazel 10%. Hedge trees more than 1m distant from the top of the embankment adjacent to the carriageway / historic hedge line to be removed to allow normal hedge management and access. Appropriate field fencing along line of hedge and 1.0m offset from the row closest to prevent horse grazing of new planting to aid establishment of hedge. Hedge to be managed at a height of 1.5m and 1.5m width tapering at the top. Additional three trees (beech, hornbeam, oak) to be planted in the immediately adjacent horse paddock with appropriate fencing to prevent horse grazing / damage.
Proposed Veronica Parker, Seconded Nikki White, UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED:
Bentworth Parish Council has no objection to the application.

b) EHDC-25-0502-FUL Land West Of Redwood Farm, Jennie Green Lane, Medstead **OBJECT**
Material Change of Use of Land to Gypsy/Traveller site with 1 pitch comprising the siting of 1 Mobile Home and 1 Touring Caravan.
Proposed Veronica Parker, Seconded Simon Lane, UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED:
Bentworth Parish Council OBJECTS to this application with the following comments: The application is in conflict with the National Planning Policy; It is outside the settlement boundary; It is development in the countryside, it is in open countryside; It is detrimental to the environment with the installed hard standing; There is no provision for mains services; Bio Diversity Net LOSS, large trees felled and hedging destroyed harming wildlife habitat.

Close of Meeting – The Chair thanked all present for their attendance and closed the meeting at 19.55pm

Signed:……
Chair Bentworth Parish Council

Date: ……

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