

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

TUESDAY 05 NOVEMBER 2024, Village Hall 7pm

Present: Parish Councillors – Alan Tyler (Chairman), Mark Gifford, Alison Mosson, Dave Rudge;
Clerk Susan Turner; Guest Les Smith (Village Hall Chairman), Members of the Public 1.

- 1 **WELCOME & APOLOGIES** Apologies Bob Randall, County Councillor Juliet Henderson, Ward Councillors Onnalee Cubitt and Kate Tuck.
- 2 **PUBLIC SESSION** No issues raised by members of the public.
- 3 **REPORTS TO MEETING**
County Councillor written reports **APPENDIX I**
Ward Councillor written reports **APPENDIX II**
- 4 **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING** of 27 August agreed and signed.
- 5 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** in items on the Agenda, none.
- 6 **PLANNING**
 - .1 **Parish planning applications and appeals** – Planning update at **APPENDIX III**
 - 1A **Appeals update**
Jolly Farmer and Myhaven appeals dismissed – see notes at **APPENDIX IV**
In both cases, main reasons for refusal, harm to character of appearance of area and Conservation Area. In both cases the case for dismissal was irrespective of land supply. Neighbourhood Plan Policies were cited alongside adopted Local Plan policies.
 - 1B **Parish Applications new since last meeting**
[24/02388/PIP \(Validated 22 Oct 2024\) Land North of Woods Lane. Application for Permission in Principle for the erection of four detached single dwellings.](#)
Discussion
 - Agreed to oppose the application, with reference in particular to Cliddesden's Neighbourhood Plan (CNP) Local Gap Policy ENV1.
 - The application is contrary to Local Plan Policy SS1 (Scale and Distribution of New Housing) and SS6 (New Housing in the Countryside); it does not comply with the requirements of Policy SS5 (Neighbourhood Planning).
 - AGREED To respond accordingly (Action ST.)
 - 1C **Ongoing applications of note**
[24/01393/TDC \(Pending, Validated 24 June\) Little Acre, Woods Lane. Application for Technical Details Consent for the erection of four new dwellings with associated parking, access and landscaping, in accordance with Permission in Principle 21/01591/PIP.](#)
This application is now in the Local Gap and conflicts with majority of Neighbourhood Plan Policies. Parish Council response submitted accordingly. There are sufficient neighbour objections for the application to be called to Development Control Committee should the case officer be minded to approve.
 - 1D **Planning enforcement** current position re Black Barn. Officer recommendation for no further action. Ward Councillor has requested referral to Development Control Committee 'considering the history of this case'. Clerk to advise neighbours of any updates.
 - .2 **Parish tree applications**
[T/00527/24/TPO \(Validated 22 Oct\) Station House, Station Road. T1 Large Chestnut tree: overhanging roadside: fell. T2 Medium sized Chestnut tree: fell.](#)
Discussion:
 - Information from the Application indicates these TPO trees need to be felled.
 - No information as to the reasons for their decline.
 - The application form doesn't include 'proposals for planting replacement trees (including quantity, species, position and size) or reasons for not wanting to replant'.

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	- The loss of these trees will significantly alter the character of the immediate area, replanting will be important.
AGREED	To respond to Tree Officer requesting more information about the condition of the trees; request copy of site visit report, request replanting.
.3	<p>Ellisfield application for consideration</p> <p>24/02309/GPDAG (Prior Approval application) Hill Farm, Green Lane, Ellisfield. Notification of proposed change of use of identified building from agricultural to B8 (storage and distribution), together with use of the associated yard for access and parking.</p> <p>A PRIOR APPROVAL application seeks an opinion from BDBC as to whether the proposal will constitute permitted development (in this case Class R), or whether a planning application is needed. See also APPENDIX V.</p> <p>For consideration by Cliddesden:</p> <p>In terms of procedure, R.3(1) requires that before changing use of the site under Class R.... the developer must... apply to the Local Planning Authority for a determination as to whether the Prior Approval of the authority will be required as to</p> <p>(i) transport and highways impacts of the development;</p> <p>Noting no objection from HCC Highways: 'The proposed change of use is considered unlikely to result in a significant increase in traffic generation.'</p> <p><u>Discussion</u> Concern re impact of large and heavy haulage vehicles – in addition to existing agricultural vehicles – on the narrow country lanes – in relation particularly to damage to verges and tree-lined stretches of the lanes.</p>
AGREED	To request a Planning Application so that vehicle size can be conditioned, and any other conditions placed on vehicles and vehicle movements as deemed appropriate.
.4	<p>Oakdown Farm Warehousing</p> <p>Called to DC 06 November meeting. Officer recommendation is for Approval subject to Legal Agreement. Noting that there is very strong opposition to this application from local Parish Councils, local Councillors and Community Groups, plus 344 public objections.</p> <p>Other statutory consultees are now presenting little outright objection: Historic Environment (Conservation) continue to express concerns; Landscape, Biodiversity, Tree officers, Urban Design, Environmental Health, Hampshire Highways, National Highways – all indicate that issues raised have been in the main addressed or can be dealt with via condition.</p>
.5	Neighbourhood Plan – Mayor's presentation to Neighbourhood Planning Team scheduled for 20th November.
.6	<p>Local Plan Update current situation – www.basingstoke.gov.uk/LDS</p> <p>BDBC's Local Development Scheme (LPU schedule) on the website says...</p> <p>'Government's recent consultation on draft changes to the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) could have a considerable impact on the borough, including a significant increase in the housing need figure, if the NPPF is published as per the consultation version. The Council is considering the potential impact of the changes upon the plan-making process and will provide an update position once the new NPPF has been published.'</p> <p>Government's Budget document (30 October) said response to the consultation would be 'before the end of the year to confirm pro-growth reforms to the planning system'.</p>
7	HIGHWAYS – TRAFFIC AND VILLAGE UPKEEP
.1	<p>Woods Lane 30mph – Site visit on Friday 19 October by County Councillor Juliet Henderson and the Cabinet Member for Highways and Waste, Cllr Lulu Bowerman; also Chairman and Clerk.</p> <p><u>Discussion on site</u> – Cllr Henderson pointed out the short length of road at national speed limit from the M3 to the present 30mph. Parish Council described the traffic rush hour use of the lane as a cut-through and for the school run, and the amenity use of the lane by recreational walkers, dog walkers and joggers, including many from Basingstoke accessing the local countryside via this route. Cllr Bowerman engaged with the reasoning, seemed supportive of the request, did comment that speed enforcement may be an issue. To await feedback / formal response from the County Councillors.</p>

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.2 Pond and flood risks – Site visit on Friday 19 October by County Cllr Juliet Henderson, and Cabinet Member for Highways and Waste, Cllr Lulu Bowerman.

Discussion on site – Re issues of volume surface water runoff via surrounding roads carrying silt down the pond. Rapid re-silting of the pond and flood risk. Need for extensive system of roadside grips above the Village to be frequently cleared to slow down the run-off and capture the silt. Request to Councillors that Highways include on a priority annual clearing schedule. Once the grips cleared by HCC the Parish Lengthsman can follow up periodically keeping the mouths of the grips clear.

An email detailing the above – with background information included – sent at Cllr Henderson's request to forward to Cllr Bowerman. Awaiting response.

Further discussion re potential for large grips / grip dishes / small balancing ponds to be dug into the verges and banks on Hackwood Lane. (Though noting info previously received from HCC re cables in the verges opposite the Village Hall.)

To Note HCC's 'Community-funded Initiative scheme enables Parishes to request and pay for minor Highway schemes mostly relating to signage. HCC has now launched a further scheme aimed at helping Parishes spend their CIL funding:

Hampshire 'Shared Expertise' Community Funded Highway Infrastructure (CFHI scheme) www.hants.gov.uk/landplanningandenvironment/sharedexpertise/cfhi-scheme

ACTION To investigate all possible means to further slow the path of water to the pond.

.3 Parish Lengthsman tasks

- Last visit: mow pond grass; cut back vegetation overhanging 30mph sign top of Woods Lane approaching Cleresden Rise.
- Winter tasks: clear by hand mouths of grips on Farleigh Hill – once re-dug by HCC.
- Next growing season: Advance schedule for regular pond mowing.

.4 Pond path With thanks for report by resident, received on 09 October, of a hole in the surface of the pond path near the bench. The hole was repaired by the Parish Lengthsman 16 October, evident it had been dug out, but not evident how.

.5 Public footpaths and permissive paths

AGREED To seek to improve communication with the Estate, particularly re scheduling the maintenance of local footpath network. To seek a meeting when appropriate with the new Farm manager (action MG).

8 FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE

.1 Accounts to date APPENDIX VI – Reconciliation at 03 Nov = £50,313.84.

Expenditure since last meeting

22	Clerk – Salary August	£455.00
23	BDO LLP – External audit 23/24	£252.00
24	P.Print-24020 – CVN Sept, Oct	£100.00
25	PGGM-2875 – Station Road verges	£192.00
26	Clerk – Salary Sept	£212.00
27	HMRC – PAYE Jul-Aug-Sept	£243.00
28	Clerk – Salary Oct	£455.00

Expected expenditure of note – £3,875 for Village Hall fire alarm upgrade.

Income of note since last meeting – CIL £5,127.43

Income pending = VAT refund – £1,431.02.

.2 Budget update 2024/24 and latest estimate APPENDIX VII

BUDGET NOTES

2024/25 Latest Estimate figures

1. Latest Estimate figures for this year continue to include provision for Maintenance, Community, and Training which in the main has not yet been used. Qualifying Projects are now allocated to CIL funding; Maintenance in terms of Village Upkeep to date covered by the Parish Lengthsman.
2. A question mark re external audit for this year's accounts. At present this year's 'Latest Estimate' Expenditure is showing over £25K, latterly due to the purchase of fire alarm upgrade plus VAT for the Village Hall. Potentially may stay under the £25K if final underspend on other budgets.

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3. Subject to .1 above, this year's Latest Estimate figure for Parish Council year end accounts (not including CIL) shows an expected deficit of £4K plus, due to agreed final Neighbourhood Plan payments.

.3 Draft budget 2025/26 and Precept request **APPENDIX VII**

To note – this year's Precept of £9,331 has remained unchanged since 2022/23.

2025/26 DRAFT Budget

1. The Precept budget drafted for next year (not counting CIL) is shown to roughly balance, ie the Precept at its current level just covers required and routine expenditure not eligible for CIL funding.
2. Any surplus at the end of the year goes toward the 'pond fund' allocated reserve.
3. BDBC tax base figures for 2025/26 are expected to be published in early January; Precept request forms to be submitted by 31st January.

PROVISIONAL AGREEMENT for a small Precept increase for 2025/26 of c2%; increases below inflation is devaluing in real terms, and so lead to deficit and a larger future increase.

.4 Parish Council domain name Current domain name cliddesdenparishcouncil.info is hosted by IONOS and due for renewal on 30 December 2024.

Website provider Hugo Fox is now licensed to host .gov.uk domain names and offering initial registration of the domain free of charge.

Application submitted to register cliddesdenparishcouncil.gov.uk, though this unlikely to be available until the New Year.

.5 .gov.uk email addresses unfortunately have to be bought in bundles of five – as this is how Hugo Fox has to purchase them.

Cost = £9.99 a month, £119.88 per year for up to five email addresses. However, Government incentive to encourage take-up of these domains/email addresses, Hugo Fox receives £100 grant in first year, therefore cost for first year = £19.98.

AGREED To apply for bundle of up to five email addresses as per costs outlined above to provide .gov.uk email address for Clerk.

9 FURTHER REPORTS / UPDATES

.1 Station Road verges Cut-and-collect 22 October – made the first cut in from the road but, beyond that, too much growth for the smaller tractor mower (as used last year) to cope.

AGREED To book a second visit to cut-and-collect early next year, as early as feasible.

.2 SID update Request submitted to PCC Donna Jones for Police Speed Enforcement to combat consistent overall increases in speed through the Village **APPENDIX VIII**.

.3 Village Hall update As per Finance 8.1 above, awaiting invoice for £3,875 plus VAT for Village Hall fire alarm upgrade now complete, as agreed to be paid from CIL funds. The Village Hall Committee continues to develop its five-year plan. The temporary transmitter in the car park has provided a useful additional source of income.

.4 Road naming – for the new access lane to the development of three new houses – ref 22/00466/FUL Land adjoining 11 Woods Lane.

AGREED to BDBC's suggestion of Cherry Tree Drive.

.5 Hackwood House screening application for an Environmental impact Assessment. [24/02453/ENSC](#) (Validated 25 Oct 2024) Request for EIA screening opinion relating to the proposed demolition, refurbishment, restoration and construction works to deliver a country retreat hotel comprising 52 hotel rooms (approx), suites and 12 lodges.

NOTED In relation to any future planning application, the proposed new development for staff facilities building and car park is Cliddesden-side of the A339, partially in the Parish.

APPENDIX IX.

10 NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS 2025

Tuesday 7.30pm, Village Hall meeting room

07 January, 04 March, 06 May, 01 July, 02 September, 04 November

Date for Parish Assembly, Friday 16 May TBC.

Meeting close at 9pm with thanks to all

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APPENDIX I.i CLLR JULIET HENDERSON – HCC REPORT – OCTOBER 2024

Savings Programme 2025 Please find attached my October report. I wanted to highlight the fact that you will be seeing a fair bit of coverage about the Savings Programme SP25. The consultation took place earlier this year. I know the retention of HWRCs (household waste recycling centres) and school crossing patrols, maintenance of vital community transport routes and the continued provision of homelessness grants to the end of their planned contract term are important to residents. I am continuing to push for continuation of these vital services. The Leader Nick Adams-King stated: 'Before making any decisions, my cabinet colleagues and I will carefully consider the officers' recommendations in the context of the consultation responses, the feedback from the select committees and any deputations made to us.' I will be making these points at the Cabinet meeting on the 14th October.

Winter Fuel Allowance The Government has recently made the decision to restrict the Winter Fuel Payment to only pensioners in receipt of Pension Credit or other means-tested benefits.

HCC in a motion to full council resolved to:

Bring forward a Council-led local awareness campaign to alert those eligible of Pension Credit which in some respects will help access to the Winter Fuel Payment for those most in need.

- Request that the Council Leader write to the Chancellor of the Exchequer, urging a review of the decision to means-test the Winter Fuel Payment and asking the government to ensure that vulnerable pensioners, particularly those who do not claim Pension Credit, are protected from fuel poverty.
- Commit the Council to signing the 'Save the Winter Fuel Payment for Struggling Pensioners' petition being run by Age UK and to encourage all members to sign the petition themselves.
- Encourage local efforts to promote Pension Credit uptake through council services and partnerships with local charities and community organisations to ensure that all eligible pensioners in Hampshire are supported in claiming their entitlement.
- Make the commitment that all Hampshire County Council Libraries are designated under the warm spaces scheme for the winter of 2024/2025

Highways Updates: From Cllr Lulu Bowerman, Cabinet Member for Highways and Waste

We know just how important roads, and specifically their condition, are to the people of Hampshire and we're working hard to make them stronger – having invested extra funding so that we can make even more improvements to the 5,500 miles of roads that the County Council is responsible for. The additional £22.5m investment over two years, on top of the £89m we typically spend annually to maintain the roads has so far enabled extra crews, equipment and materials to be brought in to repair even more road defects, like potholes, more quickly, as well as improve the surface quality of many more miles of road. Latest data shows that between April and June this year, we've made good progress - having improved the surface of 345,655 square metres of road and repaired 18,505 road defects. And, with the autumn and winter weather in mind, 43,479 drains and gullies have also been cleared and cleaned, ready to cope with heavy rainfall. We'll soon be starting our winter maintenance season (from 1 October) and, as with previous years, our highways crews will be ready day and night to spread salt on the main routes when freezing road surface temperatures are forecast, in order to keep Hampshire moving. We know that work to make improvements to the roads can sometimes be inconvenient to road users, so we appreciate people's patience as we keep up the momentum on this vital work. We also wish to thank everyone who has reported road defects to us - such as potholes and other issues affecting the condition of the county's roads. Please continue to do so, because when you report a road issue to us, it means we can act more quickly to fix the problem and make our roads stronger. You can do this via the OurHants app (which can be downloaded from the Apple or Google play store) or online via the County Council's website

Reporting Highway Problems

Potholes: <https://www.hants.gov.uk/transport/roadmaintenance/roadproblems/potholes>

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/transport/roadmaintenance/roadproblems/treehedge>

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/transport/roadmaintenance/roadproblems/flooding>

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/transport/roadmaintenance/roadproblems/paving>

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/landplanningandenvironment/rightsofway/reportaproblem>

When reporting an issue, you'll be sent an email confirming a reference number for the report. If you would like me to follow this up for you then do please forward that message to me and I will chase for you

HCC Flooding Toolkit I'm delighted that the proposals for a community toolkit to assist Hampshire's residents and communities identify the risk of, prepare for and mitigate the effect of flooding has been taken forward by Hampshire County Council.

We started this work when the exceptional rain last winter threatened flooding in many areas of the County. Great to see it now deliver in time for this autumn's rains.

To help everyone across Hampshire, we've developed an online guide providing you with lots of information about flooding including which organisations have responsibility for flooding, your responsibilities as a property and/or landowner and advice on how to prepare for flood incidents. The new Community Toolkit can be downloaded from our website here <https://www.hants.gov.uk/.../envir.../flooding/managing-risk>

Use the links below for flood risk information and to sign up for alerts:

Check your flood risk for the next five days <https://www.gov.uk/check-floodin>

Sign up for flood warnings by phone, text or email <https://www.gov.uk/sign-up-for-flood-warnings>

Check your flood risk over a longer period from rivers, the sea, surface water, reservoirs and groundwater

<https://www.gov.uk/check-long-term-flood-risk>

Call the Environment Agency's 24-hour Floodline on 0845 988 1188 to listen to recorded information on the latest warnings and predictions, or to speak to an operator for more general information.

CHECK YOUR FLOOD RISK AHEAD OF WINTER RAINFALL Around 400,000 households in Hampshire are at risk of flooding and with the potential for increased rainfall because of climate change, particularly during autumn and winter, Hampshire County Council has created a new online tool to help people check their flood risk to help protect homes, land and businesses

Check your flood risk ahead of winter rainfall | Hampshire County Council (hants.gov.uk)

APPENDIX I.ii CLLR JULIET HENDERSON – HCC REPORT – SEPTEMBER 2024

Savings Programme SP25 Reports on the HCC Future Services Consultation (SP25 savings proposals) considered by HCC September Committee meetings.

A30 project - from Hook to Blackwater at Surrey border. Financed by Central Government, this is an experimental project to reduce the amount of carbon used in road repairs – thought to largely for resurfacing work. (Also included in project are sections of road in South East Hampshire and in Somerset.) It seems the the main feature of this new surface is that it can be laid at a much lower temperature.

School attendance Hampshire County Council is renewing its call for parents and carers to prioritise regular school attendance in the new academic year. The latest figures show that 93.4 per cent of all possible school sessions were attended by Hampshire pupils in the 2023/24 school year, compared to 95.5 per cent in 2018/19. Hampshire's attendance rate remains above the national average of 92.8 per cent. However, we still have further to go to get back to where we were before the Covid-19 pandemic.

County farms Hampshire County Council provide start up opportunities for young people hoping to make farming their career. We're not unique as a county in offering this, but have one of the most extensive county farm projects in the country, of which Hampshire is rightly proud. There are new farming opportunities coming up, details of which are below. Do please share with anyone who might be interested.

2024 Solar Together scheme <https://solartogether.co.uk/basingstoke-and-deane/home>

APPENDIX II.i WARD CLLR / BDBC REPORT – OCTOBER 2024

Grass cutting and winter maintenance [To note this applies to BDBC-owned land]

Our grass cutting teams have completed their eighth and final cut of the year across the borough. This was achieved on schedule, despite issues with the weather at times over the summer and periods of very fast growth. The five main teams, which include sub teams covering the rural areas, cut six million square metres of grass on each cycle.

Hedges The majority of hedges and shrubs are on Hampshire County Council highway land and they pay us to cut them once a year. This work is carried out over the winter months, outside of the bird nesting season. However, the team will respond to requests to cut back any overgrown hedges or vegetation on either County Council or Borough Council land which is obstructing footpaths during summer months. Please report these issues online or call the contact centre on 01256 844844.

Weed spraying The second weed spray of the borough is now underway and will take several weeks to complete. It can take a few weeks for weeds to die off once sprayed. The teams are working closely with our new contractors [?] and are monitoring this work closely.

Leaf clearance The street cleansing team will begin its winter leaf fall clearance work in early November, working around areas of the borough until the end of January. Last year the team introduced a new method of leaf fall clearance. This involved working as a team within each ward, before moving onto the next area. Both manual and mechanical sweeping methods were used, which proved to be highly effective and the team will be applying the same method this year.

On-call support A new on-call system was introduced in 2024 which has proved to be highly effective in dealing with urgent issues which arise outside of normal working hours. This will continue and help to ensure the street cleansing and grounds maintenance teams can respond to urgent work during the winter period. Out of hours emergencies can be reported to the Council by calling 01256 844844 and these issues could include urgent waste clearance, for example discarded needles or glass in children's play areas. The teams are also activating their winter maintenance rota to ensure they can respond to adverse weather conditions such as snow and ice.

New grant scheme to support borough's independent retailers Businesses in Basingstoke's Top of the Town and other towns and villages across the borough can now get help to fund improvements to their buildings, following the launch of a new grant scheme. We have launched the £75,000 Town and Village Centre Fund to support independent high street businesses and landlords to make improvements to their shop fronts, interiors and the creation of new outdoor seating areas. As part of the scheme, new and existing businesses will be able to apply for a grant of up to £10,000 towards the cost of improving their shop fronts and other exterior improvements, such as repainting and signage. New businesses will also be able to apply for up to £5,000 to cover the costs of fitting out new retail or hospitality units. And to support a thriving café culture, hospitality businesses will also be able to apply for up to £3,000 to help them create new outdoor seating areas for their customers. More information about eligibility and how to apply can be found at our Town and Village Centre Fund webpage. www.basingstoke.gov.uk/town-and-village-centre-fund

Cabinet approve renewal of town centre antisocial drinking order Plans to renew an order to curb antisocial street drinking in Basingstoke town centre to keep it a safe and welcoming place have been agreed by Cabinet. During a meeting held on Tuesday 08 October, it was agreed to stand firm on the council's robust approach to alcohol-related antisocial behaviour and renew the public space protection order for the town centre area. This decision followed feedback supporting the renewal of the order, that was first put in place in November 2021, received during consultation with residents, businesses and visitors earlier this year.

The order, which will last for three years, makes it an offence to continue to drink alcohol in designated areas after being asked to stop by officers from the police or council. Those who don't comply could receive an on-the-spot fine of £100 or a £1,000 fine if convicted by a magistrates' court. It covers the town centre, War Memorial Park, Eastrop Park, Glebe Gardens, Holy Ghost Cemetery and small sections of Brookvale, Norden and Eastrop. This is based on evidence of areas where alcohol-related antisocial behaviour has been reported to the police or the council and has had a negative impact on businesses, visitors or residents in the town.

For more information visit our Alcohol related Public Space Protection Orders (PSPOs) webpage.

Fang-tastic activities for children in Basingstoke town centre this half-term

Children will be able to enjoy a frightfully fun programme of activities this October half-term as Love Basingstoke Presents returns to the Top of the Town. Spooktacular fun on offer for children aged between two and 16 years-old includes potion making, pottery painting, slime workshops, trails and dinosaurs. Activities will take place between 11am and 3pm every day from Monday 28 Oc to Friday 1 Nov.

APPENDIX II.ii WARD CLLR / BDBC REPORT – OCTOBER 2024 continued

Council marks the start of Black History Month The start of Black History Month was marked by the council with a flag raising and an event to honour the Black communities in the borough. The celebrations began with a flag raising ceremony at the Civic Offices on Tuesday 1 October at 2pm and guests included local community leaders along with representatives from Basingstoke College of Technology, Hampshire Hospitals, Basingstoke and Deane Hate Crime Working Group and the Rotary Club. Black History Month is a national event that runs throughout October to recognise the invaluable contributions of Black people to British society. This year the theme is 'Reclaiming Narratives' and will encourage Black communities to take control of their stories, celebrate their heritage and ensure their voices are heard. Events later in the month will include a service at St Bede's Church, a Reclaiming Narratives event in Popley and an awards ceremony at Queen Mary's College.

Compliments for council teams Compliment about Basingstoke's green train station – The Make a Difference team received a compliment from a visitor to the borough about their work to make the front of Basingstoke train station a welcoming and attractive space. They said: "I visited Basingstoke earlier on in the year and loved the greenery in and around the station. Can you please thank the people involved as it made a huge difference to my visit. This is because I had to wait an hour for my friend to arrive from London and, instead of waiting in a cafe, I sat outside and enjoyed the surrounding plants, flowers, trees." The visitor was so impressed that they have filmed several short clips and compiled them into a YouTube video about Basingstoke's green train station.

Compliment for the Grounds Maintenance team A customer called the contact centre to thank the Grounds Maintenance team for a quick response to an issue that was raised near her house. The team recently attended and fixed a broken fence and dealt with a bunker. The customer was "thrilled with the work".

Compliments for the Economy and Culture team and Love Basingstoke events programme The Economy and Culture team received a couple of compliments from people who attended the Love Basingstoke Fri-YAY events programme. They said: "We always love the sessions you put on and it's a great facility for the town to have every holiday for something free and fun to do!" "You guys are absolutely brilliant. We are lucky to live in Basingstoke and experience such amazing activities and entertainment. It's fantastic because it brings the community together, we've made numerous new friends trying hard to keep in touch with them all however it's a great feeling to see them again during such events and activities. It really builds a great platform for making social connections with people from different cultures and ethnicities without the use of social media. Thank you to each and every member involved."

Compliment from Thornycroft Bowls and Basingstoke Croquet Club Play and Sport Manager Bernard Crisp and Sports Team Leader Gerard Beschizza received a compliment from Thornycroft Bowls and Basingstoke Croquet Club. They said: "The croquet and bowls seasons have now ended and I want to thank you and the team for the excellent service that you give us year by year. It really is appreciated."

Compliment for the Rangers The Rangers received a compliment from a resident through the contact centre. The resident said: "As a local scout leader I would just like to drop a note to say how easy it is to get the car park at the Lime Pits secured slightly later to allow for parental pick up. All that was needed was a call to security and letting you know."

Compliment for the street cleaning teams The street care and cleaning teams received a compliment from a resident. They said: "Just want to thank all involved in clearing the pavement from Brighton Hill to Kempshott within days of reporting it. You're doing a great job."

Greener bin collections The council has saved over half a million tonnes of carbon since it began fuelling its bin trucks with a low-emission biofuel six months ago. The move from diesel to a more environmentally friendly fuel has more than halved the council's carbon footprint, compared to the same period last year, and is part of its work towards becoming a carbon-neutral council by December 2025 to help tackle the climate emergency.

APPENDIX III PLANNING UPDATE – 30 OCTOBER 2024

Applications new since last meeting

ELLISFIELD APPLICATION 24/02309/GPDAG (Prior Approval application) Hill Farm, Green Lane, Ellisfield. Notification of proposed change of use of identified building from agricultural to B8 (storage and distribution), together with use of the associated yard for access and parking.

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T/00424/24/TCA (Approve 10 Oct, Validated 02 Sept) Hill View, Farleigh Road. T1 Conifer - Reduce branches overhanging garden back from garden by approximately 3m. T2 Sycamore - Raise canopy over roof to clear back from roof by approximately 3m.

Applications pending or recently decided

24/01881/GPDMA (Prior Approval Not Required, Decision 07 October, Validated 15 Aug) Bluett House, Manor Farm, Farleigh Road. Application for prior approval of change of use from building used as Class E office to 3 no. dwellinghouses within Class C3 use.

24/01500/RET (Pending DC 20 Nov, validated 02 Aug 2024) 21 Southlea. Retrospective change of use of studio to mixed Class C3 residential and Air BnB rental accommodation. Recommendation for Approval.

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24/00617/RET (Pending, Validated 17 June) 1A Millars Cottages, Station. Revised parking arrangements and associated landscaping in connection with permission 20/00390/FUL (Retrospective).

APPEALS

APP/H1705/W/24/3350216 **APPEAL IN PROGRESS** (Start date 27 Sept 24) Greenlands Nursery 3A Hackwood Lane Cliddesden Basingstoke Hampshire RG25 2NH Erection of 1no dwelling to replace existing redundant Nursery Storage/Workshop

APP/H1705/W/24/3337500 **APPEAL DISMISSED** (25 October) The Jolly Farmer. Retention of existing public house and erection of a four-bedroom detached dwelling (use Class C3) utilising the existing access, including associated parking and landscaping, and reconfiguration of the public house car park and beer garden.

APP/H1705/W/23/3333310 **APPEAL DISMISSED** (25 October) Land south of Myhaven, Woods Lane. Erection of 28 new dwellings following the demolition of Newland Lodge

WINDSLADE APPLICATION – HACKWOOD HOUSE

24/02453/ENSC (Validated 25 Oct 2024) Request for EIA screening opinion relating to the proposed demolition, refurbishment, restoration and construction works to deliver a country retreat hotel comprising 52 hotel rooms (approx), suites and 12 lodges.

DUMMER APPLICATION – OAKDOWN FARM

23/03120/FUL (Scheduled for DC 06 November, Validated 19 Dec 2017) Land at Oakdown Farm, Winchester Road, Dummer. Demolition of three dwellings, outbuildings and related structures and construction of storage and distribution units (use class B8) with ancillary offices and gatehouses, associated infrastructure works (incl parking and landscaping), and full details of site levels, access, drainage, tree retention and diversion of underground pipeline. Will be phased and delivered across separate and self-contained plots as shown on the Phasing Plan.

OLD BASING APPLICATION – MOTO

17/03487/FUL (Validated Nov 2017) Land adjacent To Junction 6 M3. Construction of a new Motorway service area to comprise an amenity building, lodge, drive thru coffee unit, associated car, coach, motorcycle, caravan, HGV and abnormal load parking, and a fuel filling station with retail shop, together with alterations to the adjoining roundabout on the M3 and slip roads to form an access point and works to the highway. Provision of landscaping, infrastructure and ancillary works. Latest – Hydrogeological Risk Assessment consultation, ref Environment Agency.

APPENDIX IV JOLLY FARMER AND MYHAVEN APPEALS DISMISSED

1. [APP/H1705/W/24/3337500 APPEAL DISMISSED \(25 October\)](#) The Jolly Farmer. Retention of existing public house and erection of a four-bedroom detached dwelling (use Class C3) utilising the existing access, including associated parking and landscaping, and reconfiguration of the public house car park and beer garden.

NOTES FROM INSPECTOR'S REPORT

- i Main reason for refusal – harm to character of appearance of area and conservation area, other heritage assets – in which the trees, or loss of, play a part.
[Noting also BDBC tree officer's attention to the TCA application to remove trees which was subsequently withdrawn by Punch.]
- ii Importantly said opinion would be same regardless of land supply considerations.
- iii Details comments on
 - Patterns of development in the village.
 - Harm to character and appearance of area, albeit localised.
 - Contribution of trees.
 - Open views and countryside setting, impact on heritage assets – conservation area and listed buildings.
- iv Considered with regard to the four-year land supply; gave current Government proposals for NPPF only limited consideration (but noting i above).
- v Odd take on Local Green Space, applying Green Belt policy irrespective of 'Local' Greenspace scale or context.

2. [APP/H1705/W/23/3333310 APPEAL DISMISSED \(25 October\)](#) Land south of Myhaven, Woods Lane. Erection of 28 new dwellings following the demolition of Newland Lodge.

NOTES FROM INSPECTOR'S REPORT

- i Focus on the contribution of this open area linking to landscape beyond – to character and appearance of the area and its importance in preserving rural setting of this part of the Village.
- ii Also importance of this part of open landscape to rural setting of the core of the Conservation area and so the significance of the Conservation Area as a whole.
- iii Noting re Manor Farm... There is an historical association between the farmhouse and the southern-most part of the appeal site as records indicate that the farmhouse was historically occupied by a tenant farmer who farmed this part of the site – thus the appeal site part of the historical function and setting of the listed building.
- iv Took particular note of CNP Policies alongside adopted Local Plan policies.
- iv Took note of argument over land supply raised in detail by appellant. (Is it 4.1 or 3.65 as claimed, or somewhere in between?)
- v The development would make valuable contribution towards both general housing needs and the particular need for affordable housing. These benefits carry considerable weight.
- vi Planning balance summary, that harm to the setting and significance of designated heritage assets alone is outweighed by benefits; but taken with overall harm to the character and appearance of the area... conclusion that there would be conflict with the development plan when considered as a whole.
- vi CONCLUDES APPEAL WOULD BE DISMISSED IRRESPECTIVE OF LAND SUPPLY
- vi Also noting
'I do not consider that the introduction of a new spur of development of considerable size and scale, into open land to the rear of existing development, and deviating from the existing street pattern, is truly reflective of the linear character of development as sought by Policy DD3. ... representing an urbanisation of the majority of the site, significantly eroding its contribution to the rural setting of the village ... an incongruous extension to the existing village that would be out of keeping with the prevailing settlement pattern...'

APPENDIX V PRIOR APPROVAL APPLICATION

Ref Town & Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 (as amended) provides at Schedule 2, Part 3, Class R

Ref Ellisfield application:

24/02309/GPDAG Hill Farm, Green Lane, Ellisfield. Notification of proposed change of use of identified building from agricultural to B8 (storage and distribution), together with use of the associated yard for access and parking.

A PRIOR APPROVAL application –

- i Seeks an opinion from BDBC as to whether the proposal will constitute permitted development (in this case Class R), or whether a planning application is needed.
- ii Areas for consideration as per Class R criteria:

Copied from Agent's Cover Letter:

'The Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 (as amended) provides at Schedule 2, Part 3, Class R, for the change of use of agricultural buildings to a flexible commercial use, subject to the restrictions set out in R.1, the conditions in R.2, and the procedure in R.3. The proposed change of use is considered to be permitted development... by assessment against R.1 and R.2 criteria.'

'R.3 criteria

'In terms of procedure, R.3(1) requires that before changing use of the site under Class R, and before any subsequent change of use to another use falling within one of the use classes comprising the flexible use, the developer must:

'(b) – where the cumulative floor space of the building or buildings which have changed use under Class R within an established agricultural unit exceeds 150 square metres – apply to the Local Planning Authority for a determination as to whether the Prior Approval of the authority will be required as to

- (i) transport and highways impacts of the development;
- (ii) noise impacts of the development;
- (iii) contamination risks on the site; and
- (iv) flooding risks on the site.'

TO NOTE No objection from HCC Highways. 'The proposed change of use is considered unlikely to result in a significant increase in traffic generation.'

APPENDIX VI: ACCOUNTS TO DATE

CLIDDESSEN PC – INCOME 2024/25 - 30 Oct

Balance brought forward 1st April 2024								£52,850.37
Date	Item	Precept	Grants	S106	CIL	Interest	VAT	Total
24/04/24	Parish Precept (six months)	£4,665.50						£4,665.50
23/09/24	Parish Precept (six months)	£4,665.50						£4,665.50
28/10/24	CIL				£5,127.43			£5,127.43
2024/25	Bank interest					£325.49		£325.49
	TOTALS	£9,331.00	£0.00	£0.00	£5,127.43	£325.49	£0.00	£14,783.92

RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS SUMMARY

Bal brought forward from 2023/24	£52,850.37
Plus income	£14,783.92
Minus expenditure	£17,320.45
Balance to date	£50,313.84

BANK RECONCILIATION

Treasurers account	£195.70
Inst Access	£20,118.14
95 day notice	£30,000.00
Balance	£50,313.84

TREASURERS ACCOUNT 30-9/10/24
PARISH COUNCIL OF CLIDDESSEN

£ 195.70 Current bal

£195.70 Available funds

Open a savings account

Stuck waiting, paid?

Instead of waiting we boost your cash flow Invoice Finance.

All lending is subject

BUS BANK INSTANT 30-9/10/24
CLIDDESSEN PARISH COUNCIL

£ 20,118.14 Balan

Lloyds Bank plc
1st Floor (East)
10 Gresham Street
London, EC2V 7AE
Tel: 0344 300 0500
E-mail: business@lloydsbank.co.uk

of your deposit

into your Account. Detail
95 Day Notice
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10 October 2024
GBP 30,000.00
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3.81%

CLIDDESSEN PC – EXPENDITURE 2024/25 - 30 Oct

	Date inv	Date paid	Supplier	Description	Salary	Admin/ Governance	Newsletter	Community	Maintnce	CIL Projects	NP	VAT	TOTAL
1	J-F-M-2024	02/04/24	HMRC	PAYE-Jan-Feb-Mar	£243.00								£243.00
2	30/03/24	02/04/24	P.Print-23035	CVN-Mar-April			£112.00						£112.00
3	22/04/24	27/04/24	PGGM (Aug 2023)	Noticeboard install						£146.00		£29.20	£175.20
4	29/04/24	30/04/24	P.Print-24006	CVN-D-J-F + WP			£222.00						£222.00
5	08/04/25	30/04/24	HALC/NALC	Subscription-2024/25		£307.00							£307.00
6	April	30/04/24	Clerk	Salary April 2024	£455.00								£455.00
7	05/05/24	05/05/24	PGGM	Materials-footway						£2,000.00		£400.00	£2,400.00
8	30/04/24	09/05/24	MG-ComHeartbeatT	DefibPad				£57.95				£11.59	£69.54
9	09/05/24	09/05/24	Mark Gifford	Assembly expenses				£56.77					£56.77
10	18/05/24	18/05/24	Chris Paterson	NP-final invoices							£4,312.50		£4,312.50
11	05/05/24	05/05/24	PGGM-2602	Materials-labour						£3,985.75		£797.15	£4,782.90
12	May	25/05/24	Clerk	Salary May 2024	£455.00								£455.00
13	06/05/23	31/05/23	BHIB	Insurance		£421.94							£421.94
14	June	29/06/24	Clerk	Salary June 2024	£212.00								£212.00
15	A-M-J	29/06/24	HMRC	PAYE-Apr-May-Jun	£243.00								£243.00
16	04/07/24	04/07/24	Chris Paterson	NP-final copy							£100.00		£100.00
17	11/05/24	05/07/24	Geosphere	Parish Online		£48.00						£9.60	£57.60
18	27/07/24	18/07/24	Peter Brown	Internal Audit		£75.00							£75.00
19	July	27/07/24	Clerk	Salary July 2024	£455.00								£455.00
20	04/08/24	04/08/24	P.Print-24006	CVN-May & June			£144.00						£144.00
21	09/08/24	09/08/24	P.Print-24006	CVN-July/Aug			£112.00						£112.00
22	AUG	29/08/24	Clerk	Salary AUG 2024	£455.00								£455.00
23	11/09/23	21/09/23	BDO LLP	External audit		£210.00						£42.00	£252.00
24	01/10/24	01/10/24	P.Print-24020	CVN-SEPT-OCT			£100.00						£100.00
25	22/10/24	05/05/24	PGGM-2875	Station Rd verges						£160.00		£32.00	£192.00
26	SEPT	30/10/24	Clerk	Salary Sept 2024	£212.00								£212.00
27	J-A-S	30/10/24	HMRC	PAYE-Jul-Aug-Sept	£243.00								£243.00
28	OCT	30/10/24	Clerk	Salary OCT 2024	£455.00								£455.00
				TOTALS	£3,428.00	£1,061.94	£690.00	£114.72	£0.00	£6,291.75	£4,412.50	£1,321.54	£17,320.45
		Date	Supplier	Description	Salary	Admin/ Governance	Newsletter	Community	Maintnce	CIL Projects	NP	VAT	TOTAL

£17,320.45

APPENDIX VII: BUDGET UPDATE

CLIDDESSEN – YEAR END COMPARISON			CLIDDESSEN – ACCOUNT SUMMARY @ 30/10/2024			2024/25 Budget (@DEC23)	2025/26 Budget DRAFT (@OCT24)
	2023/24 YEAR END	CIL 2023/24	2024/25 TO DATE	LATEST ESTIMATE	LATEST ESTIMATE CIL		
EXPENDITURE							
CLERK'S SALARY	£5,217.00		£3,428.00	£5,460.00		£5,460.00	£5,460.00
SALARY BACKPAY 2022/23	£803.40						
CLERK'S ALLOWANCE	£324.00			£324.00		£324.00	£324.00
EXPENSES				£95.00		£95.00	£95.00
TRAINING				£300.00		£300.00	£300.00
ADMIN / GOVERNANCE	£1,047.24		£1,061.94	£1,061.94		£1,050.00	£1,200.00
NEWSLETTER	£436.00		£690.00	£1,000.00		£1,000.00	£1,000.00
COMMUNITY	£692.50		£114.72	£900.00		£900.00	£900.00
MAINTENANCE	£222.50			£500.00		£500.00	£500.00
PROJECT-Noticeboard	£2,830.24	£2,830.24	£146.00	£146.00	£146.00		
INTERPRETATION BOARD	£162.19	£18.31					
Pond pathway			£5,985.75	£5,985.75	£5,985.75		
VERGES			£160.00	£500.00	£500.00		
FLOATING ISLANDS	£8,000.00						
NEIGHBOURHOODPLAN	£5,939.50		£4,412.50	£4,412.50			
Village hall				£3,875.00	£3,875.00		
VAT	£2,309.21		£1,321.54	£1,321.54			
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	£27,983.78	£2,848.55	£17,320.45	£25,881.73	£10,506.75	£9,629.00	£9,779.00
INCOME							
Precept	£9,331.00		£9,331.00	£9,331.00		£9,331.00	£9,331.00
Coronation grant	£500.00						
Ward Cllrs Community gr	£612.00						
S106	£8,143.88						
CIL	£9,117.43	£9,117.43	£5,127.43	£5,127.43	£5,127.43		
Returned funds							
Neighbourhood Plan							
Bank Interest	£546.47		£325.49	£500.00		£500.00	£1,000.00
VAT refund toApr-Aug 23	£2,396.20			£1,431.02			
TOTAL INCOME	£30,646.98	£9,117.43	£14,783.92	£16,389.45	£5,127.43	£9,831.00	£10,331.00
Surplus/ Deficit	£2,663.20	£6,268.88	£2,536.53	£9,492.28	£5,379.32	£202.00	£552.00
Balance	£52,850.37	£35,254.92	£50,313.84	£43,358.09	£29,875.60		£43,910.09
Balance less CIL	£17,595.45		£16,563.24	£13,482.49			£14,034.49
			ALLOCATED RESERVES 2024/25			ALLOCATED RESERVES 2025/26	
			Contingency/Working bal	£9,331.00		Contingency/Working bal	£9,331.00
			CIL	£29,875.60		CIL	£29,875.60
			Pond clearing fund	£4,151.49		Pond clearing fund	£4,703.49
			TOTAL	£43,358.09		TOTAL	£43,910.09

APPENDIX VIII: EMAIL TO HANTS PCC RE SID DATA

Dear Donna

I'm requested by Cliddesden Parish Council to contact you regarding traffic speeding through Cliddesden Village.

The Parish Council has two Speed Indicator Devices (SIDs), one deployed around the Village, and one at various sites in Farleigh Road.

It is thought that the SIDs do play an important role in reminding drivers they are in a residential area, and alerting to them to their speed.

However while our SIDs are hopefully having a good impact overall, the data is showing no improvement over time, rather the reverse. Traffic speed is shown to be gradually and consistently increasing.

(SID data attached)

Cliddesden has in the past, over several years, had a volunteer Community Speedwatch group, but this requires committed volunteers and again over time it was felt that all the effort made little overall impact.

Thus the Parish Council's request is for occasional Police speed enforcement in Cliddesden; because even if infrequent, the presence of Police enforcement will make a strong impression in the way that community use of SIDs and Speedwatch seems not to, including on those who will generally ignore other measures.

With thanks in advance for your consideration
Kind regards

**CLIDDESSEN SPEED INDICATOR
DEVICE (SID)**

**DATA ANALYSIS FROM
JAN 2024 TO JUNE 2024**

Comparing the same time period 2023
A picture of traffic speeds through the Village.

1. FARLEIGH ROAD

Traffic entering the village either end of Farleigh Road/B3046.

Point #1 by Southlea and
Point #5 closest to Otters Nursery.

(Note that the SID #5 only has 4 weeks of data.)

Total number of vehicles detected = 239,569
(compared with 206,832)

43% of vehicles were recorded as exceeding the 30mph speed limit
(compared with 42%)

Top speed recorded at excess of 75 mph at 14/01/2024 21:55:00 (heading south west).
Compared with 70mph.

Top speed recorded 60 mph heading north east
(compared with 55mph).

24% entered at speeds of 30 to 35mph
(compared with 23.6%).

12.6% entered at speeds of 35 to 40mph
(compared with 12.0%).

4.8% entered at speeds of 40 to 45mph
(compared with 4.5%).

1.6% entered at speeds greater than 45mph
(compared with 1.5%).

2. ALL ROUTES

Comparing the same time period 2023, total drivers exceeding the speed limit through the village (eight SID locations entering and exiting) have increased overall from 26% to 37.9%.

3. STATION ROAD

The second fastest road (unsurprisingly) is Station Road along the straight stretch.

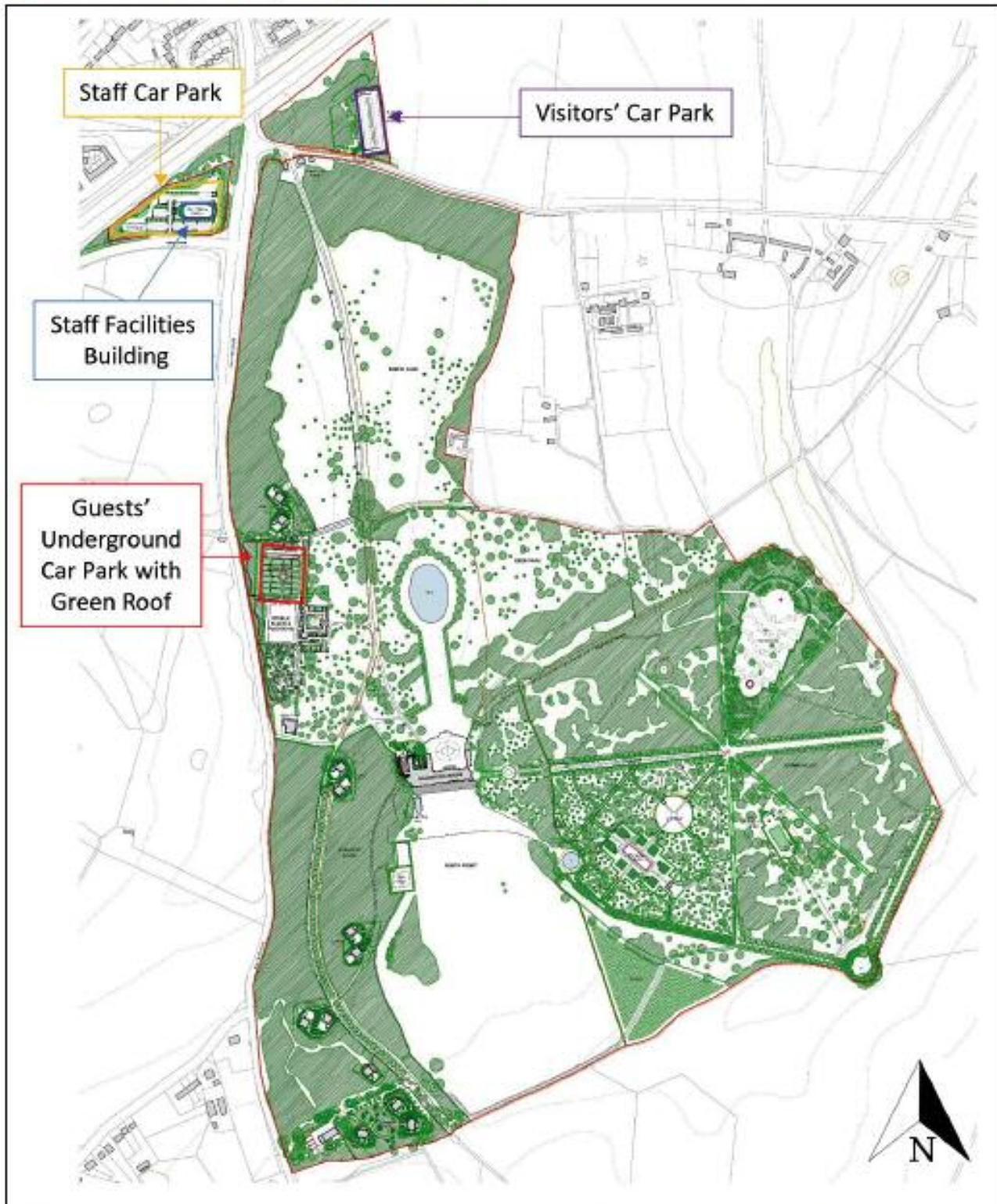
Heading towards Hackwood Lane 24% of drivers exceeded 30mph and
heading towards Church Lane 32% of drivers exceeded 30mph.

Top speed between 50 and 55 mph.

APPENDIX IX.I HACKWOOD HOUSE PROPOSAL FOR STAFF QUARTERS ref screening application



Figure 10 Main Buildings in Terms of Land Take



With regards to 'Soil', based on the baseline review set out by RPS in the 'Ground Conditions' section of this letter, no potentially significant on-site or off-site sources of contamination have been identified. oil contamination is as considered earlier within the 'Ground Conditions' section of this letter. As discussed above, the Proposed Development consists mainly of the refurbishment of existing buildings and the improvement and management of the existing natural landscapes on-site, with little new development and therefore minimal impact on soils.

APPENDIX IX.II HACKWOOD HOUSE PROPOSAL PROPOSED LAND USE ref screening application



Figure 5 Landscape Strategy: Area-Specific Design Proposals



The Proposed Development will also deliver landscaping enhancement works. The broad proposals may comprise:

- UK native hedgerow planting to individual lodge perimeters, with some infill UK native woodland mix replanting, including understorey, and rain gardens for attenuating surface runoff from building roof and patio;
- Woodland planting belt to west side of each Paddock, with linear UK native hedgerows. The middle Paddock to be turned into a wildflower meadow;
- Woodland buffer planting to north of Hackwood House extension;
- Car park to staff facilities to the north of the site is likely to comprise linear swales, potentially planted with reedbed) to attenuate surface runoff before draining into an attenuation wildlife pond in the northern corner. Other proposals may include linear specimen tree planting to parking aisles, woodland infill planting to perimeter, wildlife hibernaculum and log piles to planted perimeter, and bat and bird boxes;