

Bretton Parish Council

Minutes of the Planning and Environment Committee meeting held on the Tuesday 12th November 2024 at 7.30 p.m. at Unit 3 Pyramid Shopping

Present: Councillors M.A Stanton, M Clements (presiding), L Aldridge

Others: S Radouani (Clerk), Darren Sharpe - Natural & Historic Environment Manager -PCC

Resident:

Non-Attendance:

	<u>Open Forum</u>
	No one at open forum
	The formal meeting started at 7.30pm
33	Apologies for Absence & Resignations
	33.1 M Stonham- holiday, A Ellis -resigned, A Mannan -Holiday – Apologies accepted
34	Declaration of Interest – To receive Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary and Other Interests, as set out in Chapter 7 of the Localism Act 2011 and the nature of those interests relating to any Agenda item.
	34.1 Resolved: No interests logged
35	Mr Darren Sharpe Natural & Historic Environment Manager - presentation about the Bretton Woods Management Plan Review.

35.1	Darren Sharpe presented an overview of the woodlands management Plan to the committee and explained the following. A review completed as part of the Bretton Woods 20-Year Woodland Management Plan (created in 2013) has confirmed the further spread of Ash Dieback (the plan can be viewed below). This is a particular concern as Ash trees make up the majority of all three woods. Peterborough City Council is proposing that it continues with the management plan, by removing diseased trees and a small area around them to create a clearing (coupes) which will then be replanted with a wider range of native broadleaved trees. In addition, category three or four trees that present a health and safety concern will be removed. This will be completed in autumn 2025. People who want to have their say should complete the survey by 5pm on Monday 2 December 2024. Comments from residents will be considered and included, where possible prior to the implementation of the next phase of the plan. In addition, the City council will be required to submit a Felling License application to the Forestry Commission prior to works commencing, complying with the Council's legal duties but also allowing external expert scrutiny of its proposals. "Action needs to be taken as it is likely that the woods will become too dangerous for public access. Alternative approaches to those specified within the plan would potentially have a significant landscape impact or significantly restrict public access to the site alongside causing a marked deterioration of wildlife habitats within the woods." The city council, in partnership with the Wildlife Trust, have been monitoring the impact of the works undertaken in the woodlands to date. These ecological surveys have shown no marked negative ecological impact of the works undertaken so far, thus reaffirming the suitability of the approach taken. Bretton Woods- what does it consist of? • Grimeshaw Wood 16.3 hectares • Pocock's Wood 5.0 hectares • Highlees Spinney 2.0 hectares • Total 23.3 hectares <u>Key Threats to the Woodland:</u> - Most of the ash stools have extensive decay at the base due to one or more stems being removed in the past. - The wood decay Fungus Inonotus hispidus occurs on a high proportion of the trees which weakens the stem and branches and can cause stem failure. - The fungal disease ash dieback Hymenoscyphus fraxinea has spread through the woodland Plan and its review: - The Plan was first drafted in 2013 and made provision for 5 yearly reviews.
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	- The reviews were intended to detail the progress made during this period and to also highlight problems that have arisen. - The reviews sets out a new management strategy aimed at making the woodlands as resilient as possible by removing failing ash in small areas spread across the woods and replanting with a wider range of native broadleaved trees. - The plan is designed to limit the landscape impact of Ash Dieback disease. The previous review (2018) set out a programme of cutting small 0.031 ha coupes centred on ash in poor condition; 48 were completed and planted in 2018 with a further 45 programmed to be cut in 2024 (this work has yet to be completed). <u>Findings:</u> What did the review find: - 48 coupes cut in 2019 and replanted have been successful. - Almost all of the standard trees protected by 1.8 mesh guards are in place and making good growth - Other planting included trees in tree shelters, which have generally been successful but need some replacements and maintenance. - Vandalism has not been a problem and the dense regrowth within the coupes has tended to keep people out of these areas. - The plantings generally have not been affected by deer browsing. Wildlife Trust monitoring also confirms that the coppice coupes have largely been successful. <u>What the review recommends:</u> Key Actions: - The Council Ash Dieback Strategy to remove any class 3 or 4 trees that present a risk. - In the first year of the next five-year period class 3 and 4 trees within falling distance of the main paths or boundaries will be removed. - Proceed with further coppice coupe creations, however the number of coupes will now increase to 51 and are scheduled for late summer 2025. - Undertake replacement planting. How many trees implicated: Key Actions: Grimeshaw -Class 3 = 74 and Class 4 = 40 Highlees – Class 3 = 13 and Class 4 = 5 Pocock's (trees near figure of 8 footpath only) – Class 3 = 40 and Class 4 =35 Total class 3 = 127 Total Class 4 = 80 Next Steps Key date: Monday, 2 December 2024 (5pm) – Closing deadline of Have Your Say event. Please complete the Bretton Woods Management Plan Review. https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx...

36	To approve minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 11th June 2024 (24-1)	
	36.1	To Resolved: The minutes were recorded as correct and approved
37	Matters to Report (restricted to those items not listed on the agenda)	
	37.1	Resolved: Nothing to report
38	Items deferred from Full Council (restricted to those items not listed on the agenda)	
	38.1	Resolved: Nothing to report
39	Planning Application – Requests and decisions:	
	39.1	24/00359/CLP for Proposed installation of additional floorspace at mezzanine level at Pets At Home Unit 21 Bretton Centre Bretton Way Decision: Lawful Decision Date: 07.06.2024
	39.2	24/00513/PRIOR for Removal of existing 15m high monopole and replace with 17.5m high phosco pole with C/W new 4.9 headframe and steel adapter. Removal and replacement of 6no. antennas and ancillary development including installation of 15no. RRUs and 2no. 0.3mm dishes at Rear Of Wulfric Square Bretton Peterborough Decision: Permitted Prior Approval Decision Date: 04.06.2024
	39.3	24/00713/HHFUL For Rear dormer extension and change of first floor rear elevation at 13 Dunsberry Bretton Peterborough PE3 8LA
	39.4	22/00762/FUL for Change of use from B1 offices to 70 Apartments (C3), additional glazing and brickwork infill added, and new bike store at Rightwell House Rightwell East Bretton Peterborough Decision: Withdrawn by Applicant Decision Date: 12.06.2024
	39.5	24/00795/HHFUL For Single storey rear and side extension with garage and replacement of boundary wall with fence at 45 Hyholmes Bretton Peterborough PE3 8LJ
	39.6	24/00577/ADV for Installation of replacement signs to include 4x externally illuminated signs (items 1, 6, 12a and 12b), 1x internally illuminated sign (item 11) and 6x non-illuminated signs (items 3a, 3b, 4a, 4b, 5 and 13) at The Coopers Copeland Bretton Peterborough Decision: Permitted Decision Date: 25.06.2024
	39.7	24/00579/CLP for Change of use of dwelling (3a) as a children's home for a single child with up to three carers (C2) at 99 Deerleap Bretton Peterborough PE3 9YD Decision: Refused Decision Date: 02.07.2024

39.8	24/00763/HHFUL for Single storey rear extension and garage conversion at 5 Harrison Close Bretton Peterborough PE3 9AF Decision: Permitted Decision Date: 26.07.2024
39.9	24/00713/HHFUL for Rear dormer extension and change of first floor rear elevation at 13 Dunsberry Bretton Peterborough PE3 8LA Decision: Permitted Decision Date: 08.08.2024
39.10	24/01076/HHFUL For Demolition of an attached garage, conservatory & principal elevation single-storey internal porch, study & bathroom. Replacement two-storey rear & side extensions, two-storey & single-storey extensions to the principal elevation and amendments to existing, including render to external brickwork. at 17 Westhawe Bretton Peterborough PE3 8BA The Parish Council Planning committee had no objections to this planning application as they said that it was within the confines of the building
39.11	24/01108/HHFUL For Single storey infill and front extension at 33 Milton Way Bretton Peterborough PE3 9AP The Parish Council Planning committee had no objections to this planning application
39.12	Reference: 24/00977/PRIOR for Proposed erection of 2 additional floors to create 50 x 1-bedroom self-contained apartments Rightwell House Rightwell East Bretton. The Parish Council Planning committee had no objections to this planning application
39.13	24/00624/R3FUL For Removal of existing 1.8m gates and fencing, erection of new and replacement 2.4m gates and fencing to school boundary at Heltwate School Heltwate Bretton Peterborough. The Parish Council Planning committee could not locate this planning application on the portal. Therefore, they have contacted Peterborough City Council planning committee to ascertain more information.
39.14	23/01479/FUL for Erection of a Class E drive-thru coffee shop together with associated external seating, screened refuse store, and landscaping at Car Park Of The Bretton Centre Rightwell West Bretton Peterborough Decision: Withdrawn by Applicant Decision Date: 05.09.2024
39.15	24/00502/HHFUL for Demolition of conservatory and erection of single storey rear extension, single storey front extension of the garage and partial garage conversion at 5 Sebrights Way Bretton Peterborough PE3 9BT Decision: Permitted Decision Date: 17.09.2024

	39.16	24/01223/CLP For Stationing of a mobile home within the residential curtilage for ancillary purposes at 1 Tollgate Bretton Peterborough PE3 9XA The Parish Council Planning committee advised that this planning application does seem to have a legal basis and looks OK.
	39.17	24/00795/HHFUL for Single storey rear and side extension with garage and replacement of boundary wall with fence at 45 Hyholmes Bretton Peterborough PE3 8LJ Decision: Permitted Decision Date: 02.10.2024
	39.18	24/01268/FUL For Change of use from C3 (residential dwelling) to C2 (residential institution) for one child (aged 10-18 years) at 99 Deerleap Bretton Peterborough PE3 9YD
	39.19	24/01333/HHFUL for Part two storey front, part single storey rear extension and part boundary wall relocation at 75 Langley Bretton Peterborough. <i>The Parish Council Planning committee advised it's a bad location and it will block visibility. The relocated wall does appear to alter the street scene for the estate. Information has been passed to the PCC planning department. Need to ascertain what Highways view on this will be</i>
40	Planning Projects	
	40.1	This agenda item will be discussed at the next P&E meeting scheduled in January 2025
41	Correspondences:	
	41.1	No correspondences received
42	<u>Agenda items for Next Meeting – Reminder by Law – information exchange only no decisions can be made</u>	
	42.1	The meeting closed at 9.11pm
43	The date of the next meeting – to be held on Tuesday 14th January 2025 at 19.30 p.m.- Parish office, unit 2, Pyramid Shopping Centre.	