

230887	6	Mapledene	Timber Orangery to replace existing	D	03/07/2023	P: 02/04/2024
240089	31	Chazey Road,	Single storey Front Ext'n	D	29/01/2024	P21/03/2024
240254	12	Wychcotes	Rear Ext'n to ground floor and 1st Floor	D	11/03/2024	
240408	191	U W A	Ext'n to rear to replace conservatory	D	15/04/2024	
240323	6	U W A	Single storey side Extension	D	29/04/2024	
240841	Blagrave House	U W A	Side Ext'n & alterations to side & rear	D	29/04/2024	
240424	Jasmine Cottage	The Warren	New Roof and single storey ext'n	D	30/04/2024	
240554	133	U W R	New Roof & Dormer Window	D	13/05/2024	
240564	79	St Peters Ave	Single Storey Rear Ext'n	D	13/05/2024	
240600	5	St Peters Ave	Rear Ext'n & raised terrace	D	28/05/2024	
240485	23	Ridge Hall Close	Tree Works	D	28/05/2024	P: 03/06/2024
240705	Warren Creek	The Warren	Extension to existing House	D	11/06/2024	
240653	12	Ridge Hall Close	Removal of large Ash Tree	D		P: 17/06/2024

1508 Since the last meeting, a further 23 objections had been submitted against the Heights application to extend class sizes, one of which is from a governor of St Annes and St Martins school. The item was not listed for the next RBC planning committee. It was not known what size of intake the incoming Head would pursue. **Action** a member to enquire

1509 The telecommunications mast on Woodcote Road had been erected by Vodafone without planning permission or approval under permitted development. All agreed it violated the street scene. RBC's enforcement officer David Lloyd had yet to have this mast removed. It was felt that Vodafone should have concern for its reputation as a local company. BG asked if RBC had a strategic plan for preferred positioning of such masts.

1510 The retrospective application for an enclosed verandah over the river at the Persian Palace had not been approved but it was still standing.

1511 RON expressed the concern of residents near 196 Upper Woodcote Road (outside WADRA) that they had not received notification of the current development.

1512 RBC Policy Consultations A recent traffic report referred to the problems of crossing the A4074 to access Caversham Court Gardens. Members agreed it was a difficult crossing and looked forward to future proposals.

1513 AGM EM had received agreement from a cyber security expert to give a 45 min talk on safety online, perhaps supported by a PCSO. Action SH to send confirmation to the speaker and an invitation to a PCSO requesting any visual aids requirement etc . **Action EM,SH**

1514 Mapledurham Playing Fields and Pavilion Management Committee. The RBC Trustees sub-committee decided to withdraw councillors and officers from the MPF Management Committee. (See RBC committee papers and minutes March 26th). EM said that the management policy must benefit the beneficiaries of the Trust and the committee would be vigilant in monitoring RBC expenditure. She had addressed them on the concerns surrounding slow decision making and stalled progress in several areas – not least agreement on a deed of dedication. Julia Stanbrook, a WADRA member, had agreed to act as secretary to the committee. There had been no recent meeting of the management committee but members queried a statement in the campaign literature of Councillor Singh which referred to conservative funding of recent improvements. EM to write to him outlining the actual funding sources. **Action EM**

1515 The school Nearby residents had expressed concern about the nighttime hum from the temporary pool at the school and the fact that all the lights had been on all night for two nights running. HB had evidence of these events and had drawn them to the attention of the school. The out of hours number for the school is 01183570123 - press 3. EM noted that it was a pity that the school had not used the free RBC service to bus pupils to Borough pools thereby saving money which could have been put towards an acoustic wall. JH noted that the sign advising that the MUGA was available for community use had been removed. People were experiencing difficulty when trying to book it e.g. unanswered calls. JH to pursue the matter. **Action JH.**

1516 The cafe Because of recent closures due to elections and holidays no firm plans had been made to broaden the base of the café clientele by inviting local clubs and societies to use it as a shop window. It was noted that three other community cafes operate in the area – St Andrews on Thursday afternoons, St Johns, Gosbrook Road on Tuesdays and Grace Church Peppard Road on Mondays. A strategic review of the offering and its dates would take place over the summer. **Action EM to discuss with volunteers**

Anti-social behaviour.

1517 Walks JH circulated the programme of observation walks.

1518 Noise EM reported that RBC had received numerous complaints about the noise coming from Scours Lane on the late May Bank Holiday weekend. One resident had recorded 90 db on his monitor. It had been incessant from midday on Saturday and on Sunday. She had circulated information to members about how to complain. The event organisers had mounted loudspeakers on 20ft high masts and had not advised the Council nor the traffic police.

1519 North Reading Safer Neighbourhood forum EM and BG to attend the next meeting

1520 Any other business EM reported that she would not be involved in salvaging after the Reading Festival but would be involved in issuing passes for residents. Wadra would help with a pre festival check for any light spill into Warren homes if a suitable craft could be found.

Date of Next Meeting 11 September, 9 Oct AGM, 20 Nov 2024

The meeting closed at 20.30