

Quainton Village Society

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Dear QVS supporter,

Newsletter 2017/2

The Chairman's Newsletter – by which I try to bring you up to date with some of the actions and activities of QVS since I last wrote to you.

<u>Planning</u>

The Strand - The planning appeal in respect of the application to build 31 houses at the entrance to the village on The Strand takes place on 18 July 2017 and I have reproduced AVDC's notice below:

TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

APPEAL BY: PAG Ventures Ltd.

SITE: Land South Of The Strand Quainton Buckinghamshire

REASON: Outline planning application with access to be considered and all other matters reserved for residential development comprising up to 31 dwellings, access, public open space, landscaping and associated infrastructure.

I am writing to notify you that the Public Inquiry into the above mentioned appeal will start on 18th July 2017 in the Diamond Room, The Gateway, Gatehouse Road, Aylesbury Bucks commencing at 10.00am.

Inspectors name: M Nunn BA (Hons) BPI LLB LLM BCL MRTPI

The powers enabling the Secretary of State or Inspector to determine the appeal can be seen in s79(1) and Schedule 6 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

You are welcome to attend and may at the Inspectors discretion, give your views.

Facilities available at The Gateway are: Visitors parking (Inc. disabled), good access for all and a café for refreshments.

Copies of the appeal documents are available to view/download from our web site at www.aylesburyvaledc.gov.uk via Public Access, selecting the Appeals link and entering the appeals reference number shown at the top of this letter.

Once a decision has been made it will be published on the Planning Portal at www.planningportal.gov.uk and on our website as detailed above.

I would urge you to attend if you possibly can, to ensure that your views are represented, and have already received the names of 11 people who intend to do so. I am able to attend on the first day but am unavailable to attend thereafter.

- 2) Orchard Farm which is a site of some 12 acres just beyond the entrance to Ladymead Farm and immediately to the south of the Blackgrove Road (the road which extends from the Strand eastwards to the cross-roads) has had its application for planning permission for a change of use of the land, to allow the siting of a 3 bed-roomed mobile home and the creation of 88m long access track to link new agricultural buildings to the existing track, refused by AVDC and it is expected that enforcement action will soon be taken.
- 3) <u>Bones Close</u> Quainton church's proposal to develop the Anstiss Trust land at Bones Close (this is the land to the north of the lay-by opposite the Village Shop) was presented to the Parish Council at their April meeting. There was considerable public opposition and the outcome is awaited. Were such a development to be allowed, it would breach Quainton's Neighbourhood Development Plan.
- 4) North End Nursery Laxton Properties Ltd are a development company who, uninvited (we understand), approached Mr and Mrs Newman to develop the land alongside and behind their house. This has resulted in a proposal to construct up to 33 houses. Such a proposal would run directly against Quainton's Neighbourhood Development Plan and would develop land which is outside Quainton's Settlement Boundary. QVS have informed Laxton that they can not support their proposal.
- 5) 18 Upper Street QVS objected to this application for an extension to the property because of the proposed new vehicle access to Upper Street and its proximity to the adjacent junctions and bus stop. The PC and highways authority also objected and the application has now been re-submitted without the new access but with additional parking at the side of the property.
- 6) <u>Trail Flatt farm</u> I understand that the enforcement procedure is progressing and hopefully await a conclusion to this long drawn-out affair

Village Boundary/Burial Stone

This stone, in the verge outside 36 Upper Street, Quainton, is believed to be a Saxon boundary stone and, in recent centuries, was the place at which funeral parties from outlying villages was met.

AVDC have now granted approval for the proposed new house but, following

The applicant is advised that the Burial Acceptance Stone is located in the highway verge to the west of the proposed access. The stone shall not be moved from its current location and all reasonable measures shall be implemented to ensure that no damage is caused to the Stone during the construction period.

Please be vigilant to ensure that the condition is complied with.

Events and visits

1) We have recently enjoyed two excellent but very different visits. The first was to the Incinerator/re-cycling centre at Calvert and the second was to Hook Norton Brewery.

Both were well attended and, whilst I was fascinated by the technology and the quality of the access allowed to us at Calvert, I must admit to enjoying the brewery visit even more. We had an excellent and knowledgeable guide and were given plenty of time to explore the brewery, visit its shire horses and sample its beers. A delightful afternoon spent in good company at a fascinating and historical site in beautiful countryside.

2) We are considering a meeting in the church, probably in August, to view the, now completed and superb, restoration of the Dormer memorials and to learn more about their background and of the history and culture of the period during which they were constructed.

I will be in touch with you with further details when they are known.

- 3) We are considering organising a visit to The Flint House at Waddesdon and, again, I will be in touch with you with further details when they are known.
- 4) We are delighted that Rachael O'Connor Boyd, a director of Delapre Abbey in Northampton shire, has kindly agreed to give an illustrated talk, at our AGM on 17 October 2017, about the Abbey's restoration. I would urge you not to miss what promises to be a fascinating talk by an excellent speaker. Please reserve this date in your calendar.

Saye and Sele Hall

We note that an application has been renewed for the much needed renovations to the hall, to which QVS has donated £1000, and look forward to hearing that the application has been approved and that funding has been obtained.

<u>General News</u> – The ornamental tree - Acer Brilliantisimus –planted on the land at the junction of White Hart Field and the Strand, to provide a more permanent reminder of our Queen's 90th birthday, is looking healthy and the memorial plaque is appropriately impressive. See for yourselves!

<u>Video</u> - With the invaluable help of Mike Beales, we are hoping to incorporate old video footage of Quainton into our web-site. Thank you, Mike!

Finally, if renewing your membership, and thereby continuing to support your Village Society, has slipped your mind, you will find a renewal form at the end of this email. As ever, our grateful thanks go to Peter Taylor-Lane, your honorary membership secretary, for his valuable work in keeping the membership of your society together.

We look forward to your company and continuing support.

Yours sincerely

Martin Jacobs

QVS Website: quaintonvillagesociety.org



IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO JOIN OR RENEW PLEASE COMPLETE

New Membership/Membership Renewal 2016-2017 (Delete as necessary)

Please complete this form and send it with your cheque or cash to:

Peter Taylor-Lane, Honorary Membership Secretary, The Old Chapel, 48 Lower Street, Quainton, Aylesbury HP22 4BJ

Telephone: 01296 658273 email: petertaylorlane@gmail.com

Please make your cheque payable to the Quainton Village Society

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