



Minutes of the Planning Meeting of Bramley Parish Council

Held at Bramley Village Hall on 24th April 2025, starting at 19:00

PARTICIPANTS

Messrs Cllrs J Austin, T Coleman, M Vivian, N Gravenell, T Saunders, C Marshall.
There were no members of the public present.

31/25 **To receive apologies for absence**

P Leung, F Stern (recused as allotment holder), B Stern (recused as allotment holder).

32/25 **Declarations of interest**

None

33/25 **5 Woodrough Copse**

No objection, go back to Cllr F Stern for her view.

34/25 **27 Eastwood Road**

Cllrs had discussions about roof design profile but agreed no objection.

35/25 **Land at Park Drive**

Cllr Austin talked through the public meeting last week which was attended by 80-90 people. 100% of the people in the room said they wanted us as a Parish Council to object, and the key reasons for this were captured.

The period for planning responses has been extended to next Wednesday 30th April.

Cllr Austin has been speaking with the Housing and National Landscape officer. Two thirds of the site is National Landscape, one third is a candidate for National Landscape. A Planning application in Guildford for a solar farm was turned down. Case law is relevant to this application. If this went to appeal the whole site would be designated National Landscape.

The information received from Waverley is that the current housing need in Bramley is 14 1-bed social rented housing and a 2-bed property.

This application would only be deemed a rural exception site if it was 100% social rented housing.

The reasons from the public meeting: National Landscape, wrong type of housing, not in local plan, other more appropriate sites, site access is an issue, drainage concerns, impact to wildlife.



Previous sites were in-fill sites within the settlement boundary.

The re-location of the allotments is not a planning reason to object, despite the obvious disruption to allotment holders.

The Bonfire Committee has stated that developing this site would make the annual Bramley Fireworks Display unviable, although this is not a reason to object on planning grounds.

Thames Water requires conditions to be attached if approved for foul water and surface water.

Concerns raised over water neutrality – i.e. drinking water does not exceed existing level.

A vote was taken and Cllrs unanimously agreed to object to the application.

Cllr Austin will draft the objection.

Cllr Coleman will liaise with Cllr F Stern in terms of rebutting correspondence.

Cllr Austin

Cllr Coleman &
Cllr F Stern

The meeting closed at 7.55pm

Agreed and signedChairman, May 8th 2025