

HITCHAM & TAPLOW SOCIETY

Executive Committee Meeting Larkspur Mill Lane Monday October 13th, 7.30pm

MINUTES

Present

Roger Worthington
Mike Turner
Andrew Findlay
Jane Curry
Rupert Sellers
Jonathan Specktor
Eva Lipman

Apologies

Charlie Greeves
Cat Howard
Robert Harrap
Sue Thornton
Jacqueline Turner

1) ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES

As above

2) MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes of 15/9/2025 meeting were agreed and signed. Put minutes on website as draft once produced.

3) MATTERS ARISING

Nothing not covered in the agenda.

4) TREASURER'S REPORT

Balances are £9045.27 in the Charity Bank notice account and £2903.54 in the Community account. £0 in cash. Membership is stable. New system does mean that there is a danger of Standing Order payees paying twice. Mike has currently turned off the automatic reminders. Is it worth re-investigating direct debit? Go Cardless? ~225 members currently; ~300 including household members.

5) NEWSLETTER

Currently with AF; just last 3 pages to do. Hopefully to the printer this week. Will be delivered either to AF or RW for distribution w/e of 25/10/2025

6) PLANNING

Michael Barnes has joined Taplow Parish Council and has taken responsibility for Cliveden Stud planning applications (reported below). General planning seems rather quiet!

a) Updates

Having removed the problem of the large Wellingtonia tree in the way, which suddenly died, The Hermitage immediately applied for planning for a second house in the grounds. It was refused on the grounds of conservation area and flood plain. Appeals still in progress at Skyfall.

b) New applications

No general new applications of interest.

c) Local Plan

RW & Martin Maund have worked through the Local Plan consultation documents and have made a set of suggested responses. The next consultation will be the formal one to approve the final plan. Dorney have taken a different approach and put in a total local defence of Dorney,

using the approach taken for the Taplow New Town objection (lots based on flood risk). RW doesn't know if anyone takes any notice of these efforts.

- d) Status of Ellington Road footpath – escalated within rights of way organisation. Area officer will write to owner telling them to rectify. Need to make sure Estate Agent knows there is a dispute as potential buyers probably shouldn't rely on responses from the seller.
- e) Hitcham House Farm (dairy / ice cream farm). JC & AF had a phone call (as HTS contact number) saying that the owner died and his son wants to realise significant cash. Moves to build on that farm. JC forwarded phone number and synopsis to RW.

7) **TAPLOW NEW TOWN**

Task Force document for new towns published 28/9/2025. No Taplow site; indeed no Bucks site. 95,000 houses still to be found by 2045, regardless of whether Bucks got a New Town.

8) **AGM**

- a) Speaker confirmed to be Helen Read of Burnham Beeches (thanks Sue). Mike can source screen and projector.
- b) Date confirmed as Wednesday April 15 2026, booked from 19:00 – 22:00 for £60.

9) **AOB**

Taplow PC logo to be decided at next Parish Council meeting.

HTS (Fred Russell) will attend and lay a wreath at the Remembrance service on November 9th. Need to buy the wreath – RW.

Thanks to Mike for hosting.

10) Next meeting 17th November at 7:30 at Larkspur.

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Planning report October 13th 2025 (non Cliveden Stud)

There are so many planning activities relating to Cliveden Stud that these are now a separate section for which Michael Barnes has taken responsibility.

New applications of interest – objections to be considered.

None this month.

Decisions of interest

PL/25/2280/FA	Hermitage second house in grounds Conservation Area, fFood plain..	REFUSED
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Outstanding applications of interest

PL/22/3278/FA	Old Boathouse site moorings	COMMENTED
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Appeals

PL/23/3881/EU	Land by Skyfall gates - disbelief
PL/23/3758/FA	Land by Skyfall stables – biodiversity

Enforcement – none this month

Cliveden Stud Planning report as of 10th October 2025

Recent applications of interest –

PL/25/2034/FA	Single dwelling house opposite Paddock Bungalow site known as Paddock Barn.
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NOTE: this application PL/25/2034/FA is the same as previous application PL/23/3483/FA, which was refused and went to appeal - Appeal APP/X0415/W/24/3350611 was dismissed on 16th April 2025.

PL/25/2206/FA	Conversion of the main Stud House from a single dwelling into 2 separate dwellings.
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Decisions of interest

PL/25/1970/PIP	Cliveden Stud – 1 to 3 new dwellings	Conditional Approval
PL/25/1561/PIP	6 dwellings Cliveden Stud Cottages	REFUSED
ES/24/00002/COU	Huntswood Lane South (American Barn) APP/N0410/C/24/3343577	Appeal Dismissed
PL/25/1561/PIP	6 dwellings	REFUSED
PL/25/0756/PIP	1-5 low energy dwellings	Conditional Approval

Outstanding applications of interest

PL/24/1149/MDLA	Cliveden Stud House removal Section 12 covenant	Unknown status
PL/25/1456/FA	Post Barn Cliveden Road	Awaiting Decision
PL/25/2509/PIP	Cliveden Stud 1-4 houses	Awaiting Decision
PL/25/1971/PIP	Cliveden Stud 1-3 houses	Awaiting Decision

Appeals

APP/N0410/C/24/3349257 & APP/N0410/C/24/3343577	American Barn	Appeal Dismissed
APP/N0410/C/24/3345342	Paddock Barn / Car Repair World	Awaiting Decision
APP/N0410/C/25/3364961	Green Barn – removal of hardstanding	Awaiting Decision
APP/N0410/X/24/3349768	Lawful use of the land as a caravan site.	Awaiting Decision

Enforcement

ES/24/00128/COU	Paddock Barn / Car Repair World
ES/24/00457/COU	Green Barn – removal of hardstanding
ES/24/00002/COU	American Barn – cease and desist current use of land

In the context of these enforcements and appeals the police have made four arrests on suspicion of stolen vehicles relating to these sites.