

Avebury Parish Council

Planning Committee

Minutes of a meeting of Avebury Parish Council's Planning Committee held on 24 November 2021 outside **The Old Vicarage, Avebury** to consider the planning application below.

Start time: 12:30

Present: Councillors Stephen Stacey (Chair), Maggie Lewis (Vice Chair), and Ben Butler.

1. Apologies for absence: Councillors Dr Mike Bedford, Mrs Donna Byatt, Mr Mike Daniel, Mrs Lynzey Paradise, and Ms Zandria Service.
2. Declarations of interest: none was declared.
3. To answer questions from members of the public: there were no members of the public present.
4. To consider an application to remove a yew tree from the garden of the **Old Vicarage, Avebury**

Members of the Committee examined the yew tree in question closely. The applicant told them that it had been sheltered by an ash tree recently removed with permission. The yew tree was mature but misshapen.

The applicant explained that he intended to plant a hedge thereabouts and had hoped to be able to merge the yew tree into it but it had become clear that the yew tree was not suitable for the purpose.

The applicant also outlined his plans for the garden generally. These involve significant additional planting, including trees (the Committee was pleased to note).

Taking these observations into consideration and after discussion, the Committee decided to support the application and **it was so resolved**, being proposed by Cllr Stacey, seconded by Cllr Lewis, and carried unanimously.

The Chairman expressed thanks to the applicant for hosting the inspection and to his colleagues for attending the meeting.

The meeting closed at 12:58.