

Minutes of the **PLANNING COMMITTEE** meeting held virtually on **Monday 8th February** at 7.00pm in accordance with *The Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panel (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020*.

PRESENT: Cllrs Andrew Fane, Di Kelly, Jill Pardey, Marcus Tarling (Chair).

In attendance: Natalie Brett – Assistant Clerk (Minutes and Virtual Host)
District Cllr Obbard

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Members of the public wishing to address any items on the agenda were requested to email their question/comment by the morning of the meeting to be circulated to the committee. There were no members of the public questions.

1. ENQUIRE WHETHER ANYONE PRESENT INTENDS TO FILM, PHOTOGRAPH AND/OR RECORD THE MEETING: As this was a virtual meeting it was recorded for the purposes of posting on YouTube until minutes available.

2. APOLOGIES –Cllr Pope.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - None

4. MINUTES

002014 4.1 The minutes of the meeting held on 28th January 2021 were agreed.
RESOLVED that the notes of the meeting held on 28th January 2021 be taken as read and signed by the Chairman when in person meetings resume.

4.2 Matters outstanding from these minutes. - None

5 ENFORCEMENT - None

6 PLANNING APPLICATIONS
COMMENTS TO BE RETURNED TO WEALDEN DISTRICT COUNCIL

6.1 WD/2020/2283/LB PARK COTTAGE, PLUMYFEATHER LANE, LYE GREEN, CROWBOROUGH, TN6 1UX Description: PERMISSION TO EXTEND AND ENLARGE EXISTING GROUND FLOOR KITCHEN (Expiry date for comments 15th February 2021)

It was agreed to consider 6.1 and 6.2 together. The committee agreed that the size of the kitchen in relation to the house was small and the application was understandable. The materials were noted as being in keeping and there were no neighbour objections. Concern was raised regarding a pond shown on the plans which was not identified in the application. It was felt an ecology appraisal should be undertaken on this to ensure any wildlife is protected.

Withyham Parish Council Defers to the Listed Buildings Officer and would request a response from the planning officer in regard to the pond.

- 6.2 **WD/2020/2282/F** PARK COTTAGE, PLUMYFEATHER LANE, LYE GREEN, CROWBOROUGH, TN6 1UX Description: PERMISSION TO EXTEND AND ENLARGE EXISTING GROUND FLOOR KITCHEN (Expiry date for comments 15th February 20201)

For comments see above

Withyham Parish Council Defers to the Listed Buildings Officer and would request a response from the planning officer in regard to the pond.

- 6.3 **WD/2020/2495/LB** 4 THE OLD RIDING SCHOOL, CORSELEY ROAD, GROOMBRIDGE, TN3 9PH Description: REPLACEMENT WINDOWS AND EXTERNAL DOORS (Expiry date for comments 10th February 20201)
The committee was pleased to see maintenance of a listed building and noted materials were in keeping.

Withyham Parish Council Defers to the Listed Buildings Officer

- 6.4 **WD/2020/2586/F** AUGUST COTTAGE, LONDON ROAD, CROWBOROUGH, TN6 1TD Description: ERECTION OF TWO STOREY EXTENSION OPENING UP GROUND FLOOR OPENING LIVING WITH UTILITY ROOM. EXTRA BEDROOM WITH EN-SUITE AND TWO DORMER WINDOWS TO THE FRONT OF THE HOUSE. (Expiry date for comments 15th February 20201)

It was felt that the information provided in the application was poor and unclear. However, there would be limited effect on neighbours.

Withyham Parish Council Supports this application

7. APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AFTER AGENDA - None

002015 **RESOLVED** that the observations on the planning issues detailed in these minutes be submitted to the Planning Authority.

**8. PLANNING DECISIONS
APPROVED**

WD/2020/1587/FR PART RETROSPECTIVE DECONSTRUCTION OF EXISTING 1970'S STYLE DOUBLE GARAGE & REPLACE WITH A NEW GARAGE HOADLEYS FARM HOUSE, HOADLEYS LANE, CROWBOROUGH, TN6 1TH – Noted

WD/2020/2342/F EXTENSION TO EXISTING ANNEXE TO PROVIDE GROUND FLOOR BEDROOM AND REPLACEMENT OF FLAT ROOF WITH PITCHED LEAN TO ROOF. WHISTLERS WOOD, BLACK HILL, CROWBOROUGH, TN6 1XE – Noted

WD/2020/2341/F SINGLE STOREY REAR AND FIRST FLOOR SIDE EXTENSION TO AN EXISTING DWELLING 13 GROMENFIELD, GROOMBRIDGE, TN3 9RS – Noted

9. MATTERS OF URGENT IMPORTANCE FOR NOTING OR INCLUSION ON A FUTURE AGENDA

A resident had raised concerns to a councillor regarding WD/2021/0014/LDP. The Assistant Clerk advised this type of application being a “Lawful Development - Proposed Use” does not go out for consultation so would not come to the committee. It was agreed to add this to the next agenda and the Assistant Clerk would contact Wealden District Council in the meantime for more information.

Two residents had contacted the Council regarding WD/2020/2492/F to register concerns that access for deliveries and plant would cross over the Village Green, which is Parish Council land. This would churn up the area and make it unusable. It is a well-used area by residents. These concerns had also been registered with Wealden District Council by the residents. Whilst the committee noted it had already commented on this application it agreed that it was important that the Parish Council advise Wealden District Council that it supported the resident's concerns. The Assistant Clerk would write to Wealden District Council to advise this.

An email had been received from Martin Homes the developers of Burrswood to all Parish Councillors and the Assistant Clerk. The Assistant Clerk had responded to advised that should an application come to the Parish Council Planning Committee they would be welcome to attend the meeting to address committee during the initial 10 minutes.

10. **DATE OF MEETING** - to note that the date of the next meeting is on **Monday 22nd February 2021 at 7.00pm** to be held virtually unless otherwise notified by the agenda.

Meeting closed at 7.32pm