

HEATHFIELD AND WALDRON PARISH COUNCIL

HIGHWAYS, PLANNING & STREET LIGHTING COMMITTEE

MONDAY 20 JUNE 2016 AT 7.30 PM

At Heathfield Community Centre

PRESENT: Mrs Clark, Mr Coffey (Chair), Mr Hart, Mr Hatcher, Mrs Holmwood, Mrs Kentish-Barnes, Mrs Leach and Mr Rivers.

The Clerk was in attendance.

1 member of the public was also present.

WD/2016/0700

The applicant spoke to the Committee in support of her application.

The meeting commenced at 7.45 p.m.

156/16 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence had been received from Mr Taylor and Mr Thomas.

157/16 **MINUTES**

RESOLVED: that the Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 6 June 2016, having been previously circulated, be confirmed and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

158/16 **DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST IN MATTERS ON THE AGENDA**

Mr Coffey	prejudicial	WD/2016/1156	Nearby resident
Mr Coffey	personal	WD/2016/0700	Acquaintance of the Agent
Mr Hatcher	prejudicial	WD/2016/1156	Immediate neighbour
Mrs Holmwood	prejudicial	Minute 165/16	Resident of Heathfield Park estate
Mr Rivers	personal	WD/2016/1240	Distant neighbour

159/16 **MATTERS ARISING**

There were none.

160/16 **TREE WORKS**

There were no works to report on.

161/16 **ESCC LIAISON MEETING**

Members were reminded about the Liaison Meeting taking place on Wednesday 22 June 2016.

162/16 **WDC – ADOPTION OF THE WEALDEN DISTRICT COUNCIL AFFORDABLE HOUSING DELIVERY LOCAL PLAN**

The Chairman informed the Committee that the Plan had now been adopted and applied to 5 or more net dwellings, with 35% being affordable housing of mixed tenures. In exceptional circumstances a payment would be made in lieu of affordable housing.

163/16 **LAND AT VINES CORNER, HEATHFIELD**

The Chairman reported on the recent Exhibition which had been quite well attended.

164/16 **ESCC – ROAD CLOSURE –U7563 – SWIFE LANE, BROAD OAK TN21 8UX – 11-15 JULY 2016**

The Committee noted information regarding this work.

165/16 **HEATHFIELD PARK – UNAUTHORISED DWELLING**

The matter had been reported to Wealden Enforcement Section and had been acknowledged.

166/16 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

WD/2016/1240/F

7 EAST VIEW, ALEXANDRA ROAD, HEATHFIELD TN21 8EG. Erection of new summerhouse

OBSERVATIONS: The Committee supported the application and considered the size and appearance to be in keeping in the locality.

WD/2016/1065/FR

4 MILL GARDENS, HEATHFIELD TN21 8BS. *Retrospective application for raised wooden decking with balustrades and steps to garden*

OBSERVATIONS: The Committee supported the application and considered the size and appearance to be in keeping in the locality. The Committee regretted the retrospective nature of the application.

WD/2016/0700/FR

THE STABLES, FOXHUNT GREEN, WALDRON TN21 ORY. Retention of existing accommodation for the essential requirements of a rural worker to live permanently at or near their place of work in the countryside; the retention of existing informal loose box stable; and the change of use of land and relevant service. Infrastructure to commercial equestrian use.

OBSERVATIONS: The Committee supported the application and considered the use to be suitable in the area, providing use of the accommodation was used solely in connection with the business and no expansion of the accommodation is made. The retrospective nature of the application was a matter of regret to the Committee.

WD/2016/1156/P01

BUILDING TO THE REAR OF 3 CHERWELL ROAD, HEATHFIELD TN21 8JT. Conversion of existing office space to form two residential apartments

OBSERVATIONS: The Committee objected to the application which was considered to be overdevelopment of the site and would result in lack of parking and access for nearby businesses and afford no amenity space for potential residents.

167/16 **FOOTPATH MATTERS**

There were no matters to consider.

168/16 **DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Monday 4 July 2016 at 7.30 pm in the Ian Price Room, Heathfield Community Centre, Sheepsetting Lane, Heathfield.

169/16 **MATTERS RAISED BY COUNCILLORS**

Mrs Holmwood raised objections to signs adjoining the highway and proposed a policy for adoption by the Parish Council in addition to the regulations set down by the Highway Authority.

It was agreed that where signs are erected on Parish Council land without permission, action should be taken to have them removed. With regard to signs on highway land or property, members may report these as individuals but not on behalf of the Parish Council.

Mr Rivers asked if the hoardings to the former betting shop in Station Road could be tidied up and this would be put on the agenda for the next meeting.

170/16 **CRIME AND DISORDER ACT SECTION 17**

There were considered to be no implications under the above Act.

171/16 **RISK MANAGEMENT**

There were considered to be no risk management implications arising from matters discussed at the meeting.

The Meeting closed at 8.40 p.m.

Signed:

Chairman

Dated: