

HEATHFIELD AND WALDRON PARISH COUNCIL
PLANNING AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE
MONDAY 20 NOVEMBER 2017 AT 7.35 P.M. IN THE
MAIN HALL, HEATHFIELD COMMUNITY CENTRE

PRESENT: Cllrs Hart, Holmwood (Vice-Chairman, in the Chair), Kentish-Barnes, Leach, Rivers, Taylor and Thomas.

The Clerk was in attendance.

1 member of the public also present.

A resident of Park Road was made aware of ESCC's decision not to erect "no HGV's" signage due to lack of resources. He raised other matters and was informed that they were issues for WDC and ESCC respectively.

The Meeting commenced at 7.38 p.m.

290/17 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence had been received from Cllrs Coffey and Hatcher and were duly noted.

291/17 **DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

Cllr Hart	WD/2017/2516	personal	Knows the applicant
Cllr Thomas	Traffic Calming in Ghyll Road	personal	Resident of Ghyll Road

292/17 **MINUTES**

RESOLVED: that the Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 6 November 2017, having been previously circulated, be confirmed and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

293/17 **MATTERS ARISING**

There were none.

294/17 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

WD/2017/2425/F

TILSMORE, TILSMORE ROAD, HEATHFIELD TN21 OXU. Proposed removal of existing garage and rebuild of a two storey extension linked to the existing dwelling at first floor level

OBSERVATIONS: The Committee objected to the application, which appeared to show development right up to the boundary with the adjacent property, was

considered to be overbearing and overlooking of neighbouring property. There were concerns about the construction of foundations close to the boundary on ongoing maintenance issues requiring access across the neighbours' land. The Committee also queried the link from the extension being at first floor only.

WD/2017/2167/FR

THE OLD FARM, FIRGROVE ROAD, CROSS IN HAND, HEATHFIELD TN21 OQL. *Retrospective application for the maintenance (desilting) and enlargement of the existing agricultural pond involving mechanical construction of an earth bund*

OBSERVATIONS: The Committee supported the application and considered the use to be suitable in the area and representing an improvement in appearance. The retrospective nature of the application was regretted.

WD/2017/2494/LDP

3 GEERS WOOD, HEATHFIELD TN21 OAR. Single storey extension to front

OBSERVATIONS: A decision had been made by WDC that a full planning application was necessary.

WD/2017/2516/F

WILLOW END, HALLEY ROAD, BROAD OAK, HEATHFIELD TN21 8RG.
First floor extension over garage

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

WD/2017/2481/F

THE OLD PRINTWORKS, STREATFIELD ROAD, HEATHFIELD TN21 8LA.
Conversion of vacant commercial space into a 3 bedroom new house. Elevations to be as existing on planning consent (WD/2017/1848)

OBSERVATIONS: The Committee supported the application in principle but expressed concern about the inadequate parking provision.

WD/2017/2546/F

LITTLE THEOBALDS, THEOBALDS GREEN, HEATHFIELD TN21 8BT. Two storey corner addition, entrance porch and re-modelling rear (south west) elevation

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

WD/2017/2369/F

WHITE COTTAGE, OLD GHYLL ROAD, HEATHFIELD TN21 8BP. Form a single storey side porch, single storey side and rear extension. Install window to first floor bedroom (west elevation) for mean of escape as current rooflight does not comply. *Amended proposal – Reduction in width of porch extension*

OBSERVATIONS: The Committee supported the application and considered the size and appearance to be in character in the locality. The reduction in width was welcomed. Neighbours' views should be taken into account as they may be adversely affected.

295/17 **BUDGET REQUIREMENTS FOR 2018/19**

The Committee discussed the budget implications for the next financial year. It was **RESOLVED** that a total budget of £9000 be set for the 2018/2019 financial year.

296/17 **ESCC LIAISON MEETING HELD ON 8 NOVEMBER 2017**

The Chairman reported on the meeting, the notes of which had been circulated. In respect of HGV signage at Park Road, it was noted that ESCC considered it too expensive and signage was only installed where the carriageway was very narrow, with bends without passing places. The possibility of Community Match Funding was suggested but the Committee noted that there was no budget available for this and if residents wished to pursue this, there would need to be evidence of support from residents of the road, possibly by way of a petition, and a traffic count to determine the extent of the problem.

297/17 **REQUEST FOR SITE VISIT – CONEYBURROW WOOD, STREET END LANE, BROAD OAK – WD/2017/2534/F**

The Committee agreed to attend a site visit at the above location and the Clerk would circulate possible dates. Cllrs Thomas, Hart, Holmwood, Leach and Kentish-Barnes all expressed an interest, depending upon date and time. Cllr Coffey would also be invited to attend.

298/17 **UPDATED PROTOCOL FOR SITE VISITS**

It was **RESOLVED** to adopt the updated Protocol for site visits, as circulated.

299/17 **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting would take place on Monday 4 December 2017 at 7.30 p.m. in the Ian Price Room, Heathfield Community Centre, Sheepsetting Lane, Heathfield.

300/17 **MATTERS RAISED BY COUNCILLORS**

There were none.

301/17 **CRIME AND DISORDER ACT 1998 SECTION 17**

There were considered to be no implications under the above Act in relation to matters discussed at the meeting.

302/17 **RISK MANAGEMENT**

The Meeting closed at 8.37 p.m.

Signed:

Chairman

Dated: