

HEATHFIELD AND WALDRON PARISH COUNCIL
PLANNING AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE
MONDAY 16 APRIL 2018 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE
IAN PRICE ROOM, HEATHFIELD COMMUNITY CENTRE

PRESENT: Cllrs Coffey (in the Chair), Hart, Kentish-Barnes, Taylor and Thomas.

The Clerk was in attendance.

One member of the public was also present.

79/18 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies had been received from Cllrs Holmwood, Leach and Rivers.

80/18 **DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

Cllr Hart disclosed a personal interest in respect of WD/2018/0590 as a nearby neighbour.

81/18 **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 3 April 2018, having been previously circulated, be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

82/18 **MATTERS ARISING**

Cllr Taylor reported that the double yellow lines in Gibraltar Rise had now been completed.

83/18 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

WD/2018/0613/F

BROOKHOUSE, NURSERY LANE, CROSS IN HAND, HEATHFIELD TN22 4EU. Proposed extensions and alterations

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

WD/2018/0630/PD

GWALIA, HAILSHAM ROAD, HEATHFIELD TN21 8AS. Single storey rear extension with lean-to pitched roof

OBSERVATIONS: The information was noted.

WD/2018/0583/MFA

BEECHWOOD HOUSE, BEECHWOOD LANE, HEATHFIELD TN21 8QQ.
Minor material amendment to application WD/2015/2220/MAJ (proposed demolition of existing nursery school (Beechwood House) and associated buildings and outdoor swimming pool. Proposed erection of 9 no new dwellings and conversion of existing lodge (10 no dwellings units in total– comprising of 1 no 2 bedroom dwelling, 4 no 3 bedroom houses, 1 no 4 bedroom house and 4 no 5 bedroom houses with allocated parking spaces, visitor parking spaces and garages. Associated change of use for whole site as residential)

OBSERVATIONS: The Committee supported the development in principle but considered this to be a cramped development, made worse by the requirements of Southern Water. Concern was also expressed at the number of 5-bed units. If approved, adequate screening along the School boundary should be provided and emergency access retained.

WD/2018/0649/F

KIPWARREN, WARREN LANE, CROSS IN HAND, HEATHFIELD TN21 OTE. Demolition of existing conservatory, new rear extension, new 1st floor side extension, various external alterations

OBSERVATIONS: The Committee raised no objections to the application providing no new windows on the South elevation were provided and subject to the retention of screening.

WD/2018/0129/F

LANRICK, BACK LANE, CROSS IN HAND, HEATHFIELD TN21 OND.
Extend existing residential unit to rear of garage block to provide first floor accommodation

OBSERVATIONS: The Committee objected to the application which was tantamount to a new dwelling within the AoNB, which would set a precedent. The submitted plans were inconsistent.

WD/2018/0616/F

THE WARREN, BACK LANE, CROSS IN HAND, HEATHFIELD TN21 OQG.
Erection of a new timber framed garage separate from the current residence and located within the front driveway of the house

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

WD/2018/0590/F

THE CHAPEL, STREET END LANE, BROAD OAK, HEATHFIELD TN21 8RY. Conversion of and addition to outbuildings to provide additional accommodation for existing dwelling, demolition of barn and construction of detached garages and store

OBSERVATIONS: The Committee objected to the conversion and modifications to the building, which were tantamount to two dwellings and out of character in the locality. The garage was considered to be oversized and in the form of a bungalow. The development would lead to excessive traffic using a difficult junction.

WD/2018/0648/F

BARS REST, BATTLE ROAD, PUNNETTS TOWN, HEATHFIELD TN21 9DR. Conservatory to western elevation

OBSERVATIONS: The Committee supported the application and considered the size and appearance to be in keeping in the locality. The reduction in scale of the application was welcomed.

DRAFT NPPF CONSULTATION

The Chairman asked that this be deferred to the next meeting to enable him to draft a response.

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NEXT MEETING

The next meeting would take place on Monday 30 April 2018 at 7.30 p.m. in the Ian Price Room, Heathfield Community Centre, Sheepsetting Lane, Heathfield.

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MATTERS RAISED BY COUNCILLORS

WD/2018/0309/LDE

A Certificate of Lawful Development application in respect of use of land for holiday accommodation and associated structures at Capricorn, Nursery Lane, Blackboys, had been received. Cllr Kentish-Barnes knew someone who may have knowledge of the site and would let the Clerk know.

UPDATE ON LOCAL PLAN

The Chairman reported that WDC had issued an update on the draft Local Plan, which was now expected to go to Wealden's full Council meeting in July. A copy would be circulated to Members of the Committee for information.

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CRIME AND DISORDER ACT 1998 SECTION 17

There were considered to be no crime and disorder implications in relation to matters discussed at the meeting.

RISK MANAGEMENT

There were considered to be no risk management implications in relation to matters discussed at the meeting.

The Meeting closed at 8.22 p.m.

Signed:

Chairman

Dated: