

# **HEATHFIELD AND WALDRON PARISH COUNCIL**

## **HIGHWAYS, PLANNING & STREET LIGHTING COMMITTEE**

**MONDAY 16 MARCH 2009 AT 7.30 P.M.**

**At Heathfield Community Centre**

**PRESENT:** Mr Baker, Mr Chambers, Mr Hart, Mrs Kentish-Barnes, (Vice-Chairman, in the Chair), Mr Kerby, Mrs Oakes and Dr Rayner.

The Clerk was in attendance.

Two members of the public were also present.

### **WD/2009/0438/F**

Mr and Mrs Nairn expressed their concerns to the Committee regarding amended plans for a double garage at this site and at the lack of landscaping which had been a condition of the original planning approval. They considered that the garage could be sited at the front of the house.

**The meeting commenced at 7.42 p.m.**

#### 09/68 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence had been received from Mrs Archer, Mr Bassingthwaighe, Mrs Clark, Mrs Gander, Mrs Holmwood and Mr Newnham.

#### 09/69 **MINUTES**

**RESOLVED:** That the Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 2 March 2009, having been previously circulated, be confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

#### 09/70 **DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST IN MATTERS ON THE AGENDA**

Mr Chambers disclosed a prejudicial interest in respect of WD/2009/0345 as the applicant was currently undertaking work for him.

#### 09/71 **MATTERS ARISING**

Mr Chambers reported that he had been made of concerns over lack of privacy by the owner of Possingworth Manor in respect of proposed living accommodation at Possingworth Craft Workshops.

#### 09/72 **WDC – PROPOSED DIVERSION OF PUBLIC FOOTPATH HEATHFIELD AND WALDRON 14B AT LITTLE PIGSTROOD, STREET END LANE, BROAD OAK**

The Committee raised no objection to this Diversion.

09/73 **WDC – TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE**

It was noted that there would be a temporary road closure from the B2096 Junction to the Half Moon Public House, Cade Street on Saturday 25 April 2009.

09/74 **WDC – TREE WORKS**

It was reported that tree works would take place at 12,14 and 16 Mulberry Way, 32 Elm Way, 9 Magnolia Close and Risingholme Court, 36-38 High Street, Heathfield.

09/75 **ESCC HIGHWAYS – TEMPORARY ONE WAY ORDER AND TEMPORARY NO WAITING – A267 LITTLE LONDON ROAD AND C274 PAGES HILL, CROSS IN HAND**

The Committee noted the above information.

09/76 **HOMELESSNESS STAKEHOLDER EVENT**

Mrs Archer was not present at the meeting to give a verbal report.

09/77 **GRANT TO HEATHFIELD COMMUNITY BUS SCHEME**

It was **RESOLVED** to ratify the proposed grant by the Rural Transport Sub-Committee of £1,000 to the Heathfield Partnership in respect of administration of the community bus scheme in the next financial year.

09/78 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

**WD/2009/0307/F**

VERT HOUSE, PARK ROAD, HEATHFIELD TN21 9QT. Single storey rear extension to provide wc, kitchen and conservatory.

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

Neighbours' views should be sought as they may be adversely affected.

**WD/2009/0345/F**

WOODLAND VIEW, WALDRON TN21 OQU. Conservatory extension.

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

Neighbours' views should be sought as they may be adversely affected.

**Mr Chambers left the room during consideration of the above.**

**WD/2009/0386/F**

CHESTNUT LODGE, POSSINGWORTH CLOSE, CROSS IN HAND TN21 OTL. Single storey extension to rear and infill of area between flat and garage.

**OBSERVATIONS:** The Committee supported the application as the size and appearance were considered to be in keeping and appropriate for the area. Use should be restricted to stated purposes only, ancillary to the dwelling.

**WD/2008/0658/F**

BEECHOLME, CADE STREET, HEATHFIELD TN21 9BU. New conservatory. *Post amendment showing reduction in height of brickwork to flank (east) elevation and use of obscure glazing. Drawing No. 0004-01. Date stamped 3 March 2009.*

**OBSERVATIONS:** The Committee objected to the application as the size and appearance were considered to be out of keeping, with a negative visual impact. Neighbours would be adversely affected by means of overlooking.

However, the obscure glass and reduction in height were considered to be an improvement over previous plans.

**WD/2009/0389/F**

LONGBOURN, BURWASH ROAD, BROAD OAK, HEATHFIELD TN21 8XG. Timber barn to house turkeys.

**OBSERVATIONS:** The Committee welcomed the application which was considered to be a suitable use for the area.

**WD/2009/0428/F**

LITTLE BODLES, NEWICK LANE, HEATHFIELD TN21 8PU. Single storey sitting room extension to replace existing prefabricated/wooden extension to the south east.

**OBSERVATIONS:** The Committee supported the application, the size and appearance were considered to be in character and provided a visual improvement. The use was considered suitable for the area.

**WD/2009/0435/F**

22 MULBERRY WAY, HEATHFIELD. Two storey extension to form larger kitchen/diner with bed/shower above.

**OBSERVATIONS:** The Committee supported the application and considered the size and appearance to be in character. Neighbours' views should be sought as they may be adversely affected.

**WD/2009/0438/F**

WINDYRIDGE, PUNNETTS TOWN, HEATHFIELD TN21 9DE.  
Proposed detached double garage.

**OBSERVATIONS:** The Committee objected to the application as the size and appearance would be out of character and have a detrimental visual impact in the area. The lack of landscaping and adverse effect upon neighbours were considered unacceptable. If approved, only hand-digging should take place in the vicinity of the roots of the Hazel tree in adjoining garden.

Generally, concern was expressed at the lack of progress in landscaping at the property and adjoining new build, particularly in view of the approaching end of the planting season.

It appeared that planning conditions have not been enforced, which has caused distress to adjoining owners.

**WD/2009/0457/F**

BLACKDOWN FARM, NORTH STREET, PUNNETTS TOWN TN21 9DU. Two storey extension to provide front entrance and reconfiguration of driveway.

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

Neighbours' views should be sought as they may be adversely affected.

09/79 **DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Monday 30 March 2009 at 7.30 pm in the Ian Price Room, Heathfield Community Centre, Sheepsetting Lane, Heathfield.

09/80 **MATTERS RAISED BY COUNCILLORS HAVING BEEN PREVIOUSLY NOTIFIED**

There were none.

09/81 **CRIME AND DISORDER ACT SECTION 17 TO CONSIDER EFFECTS (IF ANY) ARISING FROM ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

There were none.

09/82 **RISK ASSESSMENT IMPLICATIONS OF MATTERS ON THE AGENDA**

There were none.

The Meeting closed at 8.35 p.m.

Signed:

Chairman

Dated: