

HEATHFIELD AND WALDRON PARISH COUNCIL

HIGHWAYS, PLANNING & STREET LIGHTING COMMITTEE

MONDAY 23 NOVEMBER 2009 AT 7.30 P.M.

At Heathfield Community Centre

PRESENT: Mrs Archer, Mr Baker, Mr Chambers, Mrs Clark, Mrs Kentish-Barnes, Mr Kerby and Mr Newnham (Chairman), Mr Smith and Dr Rayner.

The Clerk was in attendance.

There were two members of the public also present.

PARKING IN GHYLL ROAD, HEATHFIELD

Two residents of Ghyll Road spoke to the Committee regarding parking outside their properties in Ghyll Road. It appeared that the Police had issued warning notices about obstructing the pavement and residents were concerned that parking on the road would cause congestion. ESCC had been asked to consider traffic calming measures at the bottom of the road. There was also concern about lorries using the weight restriction in force.

The meeting commenced at 7.40 p.m.

09/309 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence had been received from Mrs Gander, Mrs Holmwood, Mr Hart and Mrs Oakes.

09/310 **MINUTES**

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 9 November 2009, having been previously circulated, be confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

09/311 **DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST IN MATTERS ON THE AGENDA**

Mrs Kentish-Barnes disclosed a prejudicial interest in respect of WD/2009/2027/F as an employee of the NHS Trust.

09/312 **MATTERS ARISING**

09/303 Cold Calling Zone

The Chairman reported on a meeting held with Ms Baxter from Trading Standards and informed the Committee that the signs could not be erected on posts supporting speed limit signs, therefore, it might be necessary to erect new posts in one or two locations.

It was proposed that the scheme be officially launched on Tuesday 19 January 2010 from 2.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m.

McCarthy and Stone Development Phase 2

The Chairman reported that he had attended the meeting of Wealden's Planning Committee and it was noted with disappointment that the application had been granted. A small contribution of £112,550 had been agreed towards affordable housing but there was no guarantee that this money would be used within the parish. With regard to the proposed pelican crossing, it appeared that officers of the Highways Section were not in favour of this proposal.

09/313 **ESCC – PARKING ON FOOTWAY IN GHYLL ROAD**

The Committee noted that, whilst parking wholly on the verge area was not illegal, the warning letter to local residents had been in respect of alleged obstruction to the footpath. Members discussed the difficulty faced by local residents in determining where the verge ended and the footpath began and it was agreed that a letter be sent to ESCC asking that a white line be painted to delineate the footpath area.

09/314 **WDC – TREE WORKS**

It was noted that tree works would be carried out at 13 Kennedy Close, Heathfield, Oakhurst, Tottingworth Park, Broad Oak, 6 Sycamore Close, Trees to the rear of 15/16 Bay Tree Close and 25 Elm Way.

09/315 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

WD/2009/2328/F

BROOK HOUSE, BACK LANE, CROSS IN HAND TN21 OQD.
Extension to enlarge kitchen, new utility, double garage with guest suite over.

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

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HEATHFIELD COMMUNITY CENTRE, SHEEPSETTING LANE,
HEATHFIELD TN21 OXG. Ramps to improve egress from the building
(for people with disabilities)

OBSERVATIONS: The Committee supported the application in principle, because of the improved disabled access but would seek clarification that the verandah to the Hall will be retained.

Mrs Kentish-Barnes left the room during consideration of the above.

WD/2009/2362/F

URANIE, COLLINGWOOD RISE, HEATHFIELD TN21 8DL. Single storey garage extension to side of house and single storey porch extension to front of house

OBSERVATIONS: The Committee supported the application and considered the size and appearance to be in keeping. Neighbours may be adversely affected.

09/316 **DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Monday 14 December 2009 at 7.30 pm in the Ian Price Room, Heathfield Community Centre, Sheepsetting Lane, Heathfield.

09/317 **MATTERS RAISED BY COUNCILLORS HAVING BEEN PREVIOUSLY NOTIFIED**

There were none.

09/318 **CRIME AND DISORDER ACT SECTION 17 TO CONSIDER EFFECTS (IF ANY) ARISING FROM ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

There were none.

09/319 **RISK ASSESSMENT IMPLICATIONS OF MATTERS ON THE AGENDA**

There were none.

The Meeting closed at 8.26 p.m.

Signed:

Chairman

Dated: