

# **HEATHFIELD AND WALDRON PARISH COUNCIL**

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

**MONDAY 1 FEBRUARY 2010 AT 7.30 P.M.**

**At Heathfield Community Centre**

**PRESENT:** Mrs Archer, Mr Baker, Mr Chambers, Mrs Clark, Mrs Gander, Mr Hart, Mrs Holmwood, Mrs Kentish-Barnes, Mr Kerby, Mr Newnham (Chairman), Mrs Oakes and Mr Smith.

The Clerk was in attendance.

4 members of the public were also present.

### **WD/2009/2524/F**

The applicant and his agent attended the meeting and explained the plans for the proposed conversion to live and work units.

### **WD/2010/0098/F**

The applicants spoke to the Committee regarding their plans for a granny annexe extension.

**The meeting commenced at 7.40 p.m.**

#### 10/26 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence had been received from Dr Rayner.

#### 10/27 **MINUTES**

**RESOLVED:** That the Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 18 January 2010, having been previously circulated, be confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

#### 10/28 **DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST IN MATTERS ON THE AGENDA**

Mrs Oakes disclosed a prejudicial interest in respect of WD/2009/2707 as a friend of the owner and in respect of WD/2010/0058/F as Clinical Tutor to Heathfield Vets.

Mr Newnham disclosed prejudicial interests in respect of WD/2009/2339/F and WD/2009/2389/F as landlord to the applicant.

Mrs Clark disclosed a personal interest in respect of WD/2010/0098/F as an acquaintance of the applicants.

10/29 **MATTERS ARISING**

The Clerk reported that no further quotations had been received in respect of the replacement fingerpost sign at Scallow Bridge and, therefore, it was agreed to approve the quote previously reported from Jakk Country Furniture Designs in the sum of £887.50, as they were approved contractors on the ESCC list.

10/30 **WDC – TREE WORKS**

It was reported that tree works would take place at Roslyn, Tilsmore Road, 10 Sycamore Close, 6 and 7 Holms Close, Heathfield.

10/31 **WDC – NOTICE OF APPEAL**

The Committee noted that an Appeal had been lodged in respect of WD/2009/1329/O.

10/32 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

**WD/2009/2524/F**

POSSINGWORTH CRAFT WORKSHOP, BLACKBOYS TN22 5HE.  
Internal and external alterations and change of use of redundant B1 workshop to create live and work unit with two parking spaces.

**OBSERVATIONS:** The Committee supported the application and considered the design to be in the vernacular. The use is considered to be suitable for the area. Neighbours should be consulted but the Committee were pleased to note that an over-looking window in previous plans had been removed.

**WD/2009/2525/LB**

POSSINGWORTH CRAFT WORKSHOP, BLACKBOYS TN22 5HE.  
Internal and external alterations and change of use of redundant B1 workshop to create live and work unit with two parking spaces.

**OBSERVATIONS:** The Committee supported the application and considered the design to be in the vernacular. The use is considered to be suitable for the area. Neighbours should be consulted but the Committee were pleased to note that an over-looking window in previous plans had been removed.

**WD/2009/2526/F**

POSSINGWORTH CRAFT WORKSHOP, BLACKBOYS TN22 5HE.  
Demolition of concrete framed dutch barn, internal and external alterations and change of use of redundant B1 workshop to create live and work unit with two parking spaces.

**OBSERVATIONS:** The Committee supported the application and considered the design to be in the vernacular. The use was considered to be

suitable for the area. It was considered that neighbours should be consulted as they may be adversely affected..

**WD/2009/2655/F**

THE HALF MOON, CADE STREET. Proposed external terrace, French door and sidelights in existing window position and increasing the height of a low internal doorway.

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

**WD/2009/2707/F**

PARKLANDS FARM, LITTLE LONDON, HEATHFIELD TN21 OBA. Erection of a 3 bay mono-pitched implement store for agricultural equipment.

**OBSERVATIONS:** The Committee supported the application and considered the use to be suitable in the area. Neighbours views' should be taken into account as they may be adversely affected.

**Mrs Oakes left the meeting during consideration of the above matter.**

**WD/2010/0006/F**

3 FAIR OAK CLOSE, HEATHFIELD TN21 8HB. Proposed single storey extension to side of dwelling, together with internal alterations.

**OBSERVATIONS:** The Committee supported the application and considered the use to be suitable in the area. Neighbours' views should be taken into account as they may be adversely affected.

The Committee noted that the plans needed updating as they referred to the previous 2-storey scheme.

**WD/2009/2339/F**

DOWER HOUSE FARM, BLACKBOYS TN22 5HJ. Demolition of 3 no workshop/storage buildings and erection of new purpose built office workshop building (supersedes WD/2007/0214)

**OBSERVATIONS:** The Committee supported the application subject to neighbours' views and providing use was restricted to stated purposes only. As the site adjoins their parish, Framfield Parish Council should also be consulted.

**WD/2009/2389/F**

DOWER HOUSE FARM, BLACKBOYS, NR.UCKFIELD TN22 5HJ. Demolish existing substandard impractical building and replace with new designed for purpose single-storey oak framed agricultural building.

**OBSERVATIONS:** The Committee supported the application and considered the use to be suitable in the area. Neighbours should be consulted as they may be adversely affected and use should be restricted to stated purposes only. As the site adjoins their parish, Framfield Parish Council should also be consulted.

**Mr Newnham left the meeting room during consideration of applications WD/2009/2339/F and WD/2009/2389/F.**

**WD/2009/2623/F**

6 PONT CLOSE, PUNNETTS TOWN TN21 9DP. White PVCU conservatory to side elevation.

**OBSERVATIONS:** The Committee supported the application and considered the size and appearance to be in character and the use suitable for the area. Neighbours should be consulted as they may be adversely affected.

**WD/2009/2672/F**

LAND TO THE REAR OF GARDEN COTTAGE, (FORMERLY CAVE COTTAGE), ALEXANDRA ROAD, HEATHFIELD TN21 8EE. The construction of a 5 bedroom detached house with detached double garage with access from the existing private track.

**OBSERVATIONS:** The Committee objected to the application which was not in character with the locality and would result in overlooking and overshadowing of neighbouring properties. There were also concerns about the suitability of the access for construction traffic and the negative visual impact upon the area which the dwellings would have.

Neighbours views' should be taken into account as they may be adversely affected.

**WD/2010/0018/F**

SOUTH FORK, WHITEHOUSE LANE, WALDRON. Demolition of conservatory and construction of single storey addition on site of conservatory.

**OBSERVATIONS:** The Committee supported the application and considered the use to be suitable in the area and the size and appearance to be in keeping. Neighbours should be considered as they may be adversely affected.

**WD/2010/0025/F**

OLD CANNON HOUSE, LITTLE LONDON TN21 ORA. Two storey extension to the south east corner of existing dwelling.

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

**WD/2010/0059/F**

60 HIGH STREET, HEATHFIELD TN21 8JB. Change of use from retail to retail and veterinary practice (D1 use)

**OBSERVATIONS:** The Committee objected to the application for the following reasons:

- 1) Use unsuitable for the area
- 2) Lack of on-site parking for customers with sick animals
- 3) Adverse effect on neighbours because of noise from caged animals
- 4) Concern over discrete removal of carcasses and residual anaesthetic gases
- 5) Lack of amenity area for animals
- 6) Lack of overnight facilities for monitoring animals

**Mrs Oakes left the meeting room during consideration of the above matter.**

**WD/2010/0071/F**

OAK HALL, TOTTINGWORTH PARK, BROAD OAK TN21 8UJ.  
Proposed garages and stores.

**OBSERVATIONS:** The Committee supported the application and considered the sign and appearance to be in character and use suitable in the area. Use should be restricted to stated purposes only, ancillary to the dwelling.

**WD/2010/0090/F**

ARQUIVA TRANSMITTING STATION, HERRING LANE, CROSS IN HAND, HEATHFIELD TN21 OUG. Installation of 8 tiers of four panel antennas and 4 tiers of 14 panel antennas on the existing mast, one emergency standby generator with an associated fuel tank, one 0.75 metre vsat dish and the relocation of one 3.2 metre ground based dish antenna for the digital switchover (DSO)

**OBSERVATIONS:** The Committee supported the application but neighbours should be consulted as they may be adversely affected.

**WD/2010/0098/F**

APPS BARN, BACK LANE, CROSS IN HAND TN21 ONE. Single storey granny annexe extension.

**OBSERVATIONS:** The Committee supported the application and considered the size and appearance to be in character and the use to be suitable in the area. Neighbours views' should be taken into account as they

may be adversely affected and use should be restricted to stated purposes only, ancillary to the dwelling.

10/33 **MATTERS ARISING FROM ESCC LIAISON MEETING**

**Grit Bins**

Notes of the meeting held on 20 January 2010 had been circulated to all Members. The Chairman reported that he and the Clerk would be meeting with ESCC Officers and County Councillor Simmons regarding their policy on grit bins and the outcome would be reported to the next meeting of HPS Committee.

The Committee noted that a further meeting had taken place with residents of the Tilsmore area when new plans were presented by ESCC for traffic calming in the area.

10/34 **DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Monday 15 February 2010 at 7.30 pm in the Ian Price Room, Heathfield Community Centre, Sheepsetting Lane, Heathfield.

10/35 **MATTERS RAISED BY COUNCILLORS HAVING BEEN PREVIOUSLY NOTIFIED**

There were none.

10/36 **CRIME AND DISORDER ACT SECTION 17 TO CONSIDER EFFECTS (IF ANY) ARISING FROM ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

There were none.

10/37 **RISK ASSESSMENT IMPLICATIONS OF MATTERS ON THE AGENDA**

There were none.

The Meeting closed at 9.22 p.m.

Signed:

Chairman

Dated: