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Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting of Herstmonceux Parish Council held at 7.30pm on Tuesday 8 March 2016 in the small hall in Herstmonceux Village Hall.

Present: Councillors Mrs J. Angear, Ms A. Ashley, Mr M. Bradshaw, Mr S. Nash, Mr M Goodsell and Mr I. Stewart.

16.03.01 Apologies and reasons for absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillors Mrs J. alder and Mrs H. Kenward.

16.03.02 The minutes of meeting held on 15.02.16 were confirmed.

16.03.03 Declaration of Interests on the agenda items below

Councillor Mr I. Stewart Declared an Interest in application WD/2016/0192/F the Met. Office, West End, Herstmonceux as the site is adjacent to his house.

16.03.04 The following applications were discussed:

Application: WD/2016/0269/F

Location: Verano, Hailsham Road, Herstmonceux.

Description: Single storey rear extension and new garage with new driveway. Depth of proposed rear extension increased by 0.5m, height of garage lowered. Additional plan submitted to show the rear part of the garage built into the ground.

Parish Council comments to Wealden District Council: The Council supports this application which is in keeping and an improvement to the property.

Application: WD/2015/2839/F and WD/2015/2840/LB

Location: Field Cottage, Windmill Hill Road, Windmill Hill.

Description: Proposed enlargement of existing ground floor and a first floor rear extension.

Parish Council comments to Wealden District Council: The Council objects to the application:

- the proposed extensions are an overdevelopment and out of keeping with the existing dwelling.
- the proposed extensions extend too close to the neighbouring boundary.
- the Council notes the objection from the neighbours.

Application: WD/2016/0207/LB

Location: Yew Tree Cottage, Lower Road, Herstmonceux.

Description: To build a small porch over front door in keeping with the existing property, largely using reclaimed materials.

Parish Council comments to Wealden District Council: The Council supports this application and supports the proposed conditions detailed by ESCC County Archaeologist.

Application: WD/2015/2181/F

Location: Wisteria Place, Cowbeech Hill, Cowbeech.

Description: Replacement of Nissan huts with two new holiday let units.

Parish Council comments to Wealden District Council: The Council supports the creation of tourist accommodation in a tourist area. However, it notes that

the access, on a bend, from the road is poor and that two holiday lets will generate an increase in traffic movements from this road. If approved the holiday lets should have appropriate conditions stating that they remain as part of Wisteria Cottage and can only be used as holiday lets and not used as main dwellings.

The following application was postponed until the Planning Committee Meeting to be held at 7pm on 16.03.16

Application: WD/2016/0192/F

Location: Met Office, West End, Herstmonceux.

Description: Proposed part demolition of Met Office building.

Parish Council comments to Wealden District Council:

16.03. 05 Correspondence

- i. WDC Planning Approvals
 - WD/2015/2776/LB** - Brewers Arms, Gardner Street, Herstmonceux - installation of a pizza oven and extract through roof, two windows formed in modern walling viewing the pizza oven.
 - WDC/2015/2562/F** - 1 Rose Cottage, Victoria Road, Windmill Hill - two storey extension with parking maintained below and en suite in loft space and erection of porch to front entrance door.
 - WD/2016/0204/F** - Sycamore House, Bagham Lane, Herstmonceux - proposed porch to front elevation.
 - WD/2015/2462/F** - Church Farm, Church Road, Herstmonceux - demolition of existing agricultural buildings and erection of a roundhouse livestock building.
- ii. WDC - informing the Council that an appeal has been submitted to the Planning Inspectorate re WDC's refusal for the application at 2 The Willows, Gardner Street, Herstmonceux for a change of use from retail(A1) to take-away (A5) at ground floor and beauticians (sui generis) at first floor.
- iii. Ms J. Ferguson - expressing concern at the Parish Council's support for application WD/2015/0061/FA Simon Turner, Cowbeech. Noted.
- iv. Nodes Cottage, the Rocks, Victoria Road, Windmill Hill - it has been reported to Herstmonceux Parish Council that there is a sign and post box referring to a Nodes Cottage. However, there is no dwelling approved at this location. The clerk will refer the matter to WDC Planning Enforcement.