

MINUTES

HERSTMONCEUX PARISH COUNCIL PLANNING (PLN) COMMITTEE Monday 22nd October 2018, 10.00 a.m.

Councillors in attendance: Jenny Alder; Jo Angear - **Ch**; Ketill Game; Heather Kenward; Stephen Nash; Ian Stewart;
Clerk – Clare Harrison
Members of the Public - None

No	Agenda Item	Action
1. 18.10.14	<p>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE The meeting opened at 10.02am The Chair thanked all for attending the site visit that morning.</p> <p>Apologies were received from the following Councillors: Emma Goodsell; Mick Goodsell; Graham Lee; Bryan Naish; Catherine Stirling-Reed.</p>	Apologies and attendances to be recorded
2. 18.10.15	<p>DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS None specific to this agenda.</p>	To be recorded
3. 18.10.16	<p>DISPENSATION REQUESTS No dispensation requests were needing to be considered.</p>	
4. 18.10.17	<p>PUBLIC QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS There were no members of the public present.</p>	
5. 18.10.18	<p>PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED Consideration of Planning Applications - Comments and Observations to Wealden District Council</p>	
5.1 18.10.18.1	<p>Application No. WD/2018/2096/F Application Type: Full Expiry date for comments: 31 October 2018 (extension given until 07.11.18) Case Officer: Mr A Battams Tel: 01892 602487</p> <p>Location: BRICK FARM LAKES, THE FISHING LODGE, BRICK FARM, WINDMILL HILL BN27 4RS Description: THE SITING OF 4 GLAMPING PODS FOR TOURISM USE WHICH WILL BE RELATED TO EXISTING USE AS A FISHERY. ACCESS SPUR, PARKING AND LANDSCAPING AND OTHER ASSOCIATED WORK.</p> <p>Comments and Observations: Herstmonceux Parish Council support this application, subject to the Environment Agency approval of proposals for sewage treatment. The application supports Policy 4 of the Herstmonceux</p>	Comments and observations to Wealden District Council

	Neighbourhood Plan as an expansion and enhancement of an existing local business, through the provision of moveable, non-permanent structures.	
5.2 18.10.18.2	<p>Application No. WD/2018/2068/F Application Type: Full Expiry date for comments: 1 November 2018 (extension given until 07.11.18) Case Officer: Sally Simpson Tel: 01892 602551</p> <p>Location: 20 THE RIDGEWAY, HERSTMONCEUX, BN27 4PQ Description: EXTENSION TO REAR ELEVATION Applicant: Mr Morris Agent: Sunbright Windows</p> <p>Comments and Observations: Herstmonceux Parish Council support this application and are pleased to see the consideration given to the neighbouring property.</p>	Comments and observations to Wealden District Council
5.3 18.10.18.3	<p>Application No. WD/2018/1923/F Application Type: Full Expiry date for comments: 29 October 2018 Case Officer: Ms A Choudhury Tel: 01892 602473</p> <p>Location: ORCHARD HOUSE, COWBEECH ROAD, COWBEECH, HERSTMONCEUX, BN27 4JQ Description: GENERAL REFURBISHMENT AND ALTERATION WORKS TO THE EXISTING RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY INCLUDING A NEW WRAP-AROUND BALCONY AND SIDE EXTENSION WHICH WILL CONTAIN A SWIMMING POOL. DEMOLITION OF VARIOUS OUTBUILDINGS AND REPLACEMENT WITH A NEW BARN (INCLUDING INTERNAL STABLES), A WOOD STORE AND A STUDIO Applicant: Mr Robert Smith Agent: SG Architecture</p> <p>Comments and Observations: Herstmonceux Parish Council have carried out a site visit to ensure their full understanding of the proposals within this application.</p> <p>The Parish Council support this application and are confident that the proposals compliment the original design of the house.</p> <p>However, the Parish Council would like to see a condition imposed that the swimming pool area be for residential, non-commercial use only. Similarly, that the outbuildings within the residential curtilage that will be an improvement of the garden, are to be used for non-commercial use and tied into the main building.</p>	Comments and observations to Wealden District Council
5.4 18.10.18.4	<p>Application No. WD/2018/1927/F Application Type: Full Expiry date for comments: 26 October 2018</p>	Comments and observations to Wealden District Council

	<p>Case Officer: Mr A Battams Tel: 01892 602487</p> <p>Location: ORCHARD HOUSE, COWBEECH ROAD, COWBEECH, HERSTMONCEUX, BN27 4JQ Description: CONSTRUCTION OF TWO HOLIDAY LETS AND ASSOCIATED LANDSCAPING WORKS. Applicant: Mr Robert Smith Agent: SG Architecture</p> <p>Comments and Observations: Herstmonceux Parish Council have carried out a site visit to ensure their full understanding of the proposals within this application.</p> <p>The Parish Council strongly object to this application.</p> <p>Whilst the Parish Council support the retention of <i>current</i> holiday let supply, this application is seen as un-necessary development in the open countryside, demonstrating no functional need. Holiday lets are normally existing buildings, ancillary to the main house which are converted to holiday lets.</p> <p>The proposals fall in an area where the Local Planning Authority have lifted holiday let conditions to existing properties, following presented marketing evidence that these are unviable and therefore unsustainable. Local examples include neighbouring properties in the village conservation area. The Parish Council would therefore argue that there is no justification for the new build of any further holiday let accommodation in this vicinity. Approval of this application could set a precedent for allowing permissions for new build self-contained lets.</p> <p>Other concerns raised are the generating of additional vehicular trips across the Ashdown Forest Special Area of Conservation (SAC) and ensuing additional nitrogen pollution. Also, a bank of mature Oak Trees that lie adjacent to the development area might be affected by the development.</p>	
<p>5.5 18.10.18.5</p>	<p>Acknowledge the following Lawful Development – Proposed Use</p> <p>WD/2018/2002/LDP SINGLE STOREY REAR EXTENSION TO REPLACE EXISTING CONSERVATORY. 3 HIGHVIEW CLOSE, WINDMILL HILL, HERSTMONCEUX, BN27 4TR Date Received Complete: 28 September 2018 Application Case Officer: Ms A Choudhury</p>	<p>Acknowledged</p>
<p>6. 18.10.19</p>	<p>CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED An update appertaining to the progress of the Neighbourhood Plan had been received from Wealden District Council Planning Policy Manager who confirmed that responses from Statutory Consultees</p>	<p>Acknowledged</p>

	had been received and that the district council would look to issuing their final screening report within a fortnight.	
7.	ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING Christmas lights and costings CIL spending	To be c/f
8.	CLOSE OF MEETING The meeting was closed by the Chair at 11.14am Date of Next PLN(COM) Meeting - 6 th November 2018, at the Village Information Centre	