

WADHURST PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Planning Committee held at Carillon Cottage, High Street, Wadhurst on Saturday December 14th 2019 at 9.30 a.m.

Present: - Cllrs Anderson, Moore (C), Moore (P), Murphy (chair), Peaford, Smith

Meeting commenced at 09.37 hrs.

1. To receive apologies for absence – none received.
2. To receive declarations of interest and updates to members' register of interests – none.
3. To approve the minutes of the meeting of 30th November 2019 – approved.
4. To discuss matters arising from the minutes of the meeting of 30th November 2019 – none.
5. Public forum – time limit 15 minutes – no members of the public present.
6. To consider licence and planning applications received and make recommendations

Licencing: *None*

Planning:

Application No. WD/2019/2252/O

Expiry date for comments: 20 December 2019

Location: LAND WEST OF TURNERS GREEN ROAD, WADHURST, TN5 6TW

Description: PROPOSED PHASED DEVELOPMENT OF 5 NO. SELF-BUILD DWELLINGS, ASSOCIATED ACCESS AND INFRASTRUCTURE WORKS.

COMMENT – STRONGLY OBJECT.

In addition to the objection it previously submitted, the parish council notes and supports the objection to this development submitted by the High Weald AONB unit on the grounds of harm to the landscape and scenic beauty of the High Weald AONB, and the extension of the settlement of Turners Green into the open countryside, along with the cul de sac layout which is contrary to the historic settlement pattern. The parish council also notes and supports the comments submitted by the Biodiversity & Arboricultural Officer that the development in its current form is reasoned to result in a biodiversity loss contrary to local and national policy. Further, the parish council also notes and supports the objection submitted by a neighbour that the land concerned was previously known as "Two Beeches Field" and is of historical significance given that in 1863 the last great bare fist prize fight in England took place in the field comprising this land.

Application No. WD/2019/2317/F

Expiry date for comments: 23 December 2019

Location: 9 WESTERN ROAD, WADHURST, TN5 6TX

Description: PROPOSED SINGLE STOREY REAR EXTENSION.

COMMENT – NO OBJECTION.

Application No. WD/2019/2136/FR

Expiry date for comments: 17 December 2019

Location: OWL COTTAGE, STATION ROAD, DURGATES, WADHURST, TN5 6RU

Description: The plans have been amended due to a mistake regarding the boundary line and positioning of the Summerhouse building. Plans received 2 December 2019.

RETROSPECTIVE APPLICATION FOR A SUMMERHOUSE AND
ERECTION OF PROPOSED BOUNDARY FENCING.

COMMENT – OBJECT.

In addition to the objection it previously submitted, the parish council notes that the Wealden District Council Conservation Officer does not support the retention of the ancillary building, and supports this and the reasons given for their decision. Regarding the fence, the parish council notes that the application states the height of the fence as 1.8m, whereas the drawings show the fence as 1.95m high. Due to the close proximity to the listed buildings, the parish council objects to a fence over 1.8m high from existing ground level. It also notes that close boarded fencing is not in keeping with the draft High Weald AONB Design Guide, and considers that a more natural boundary treatment would be preferred, particularly in this location.

Application No. WD/2019/2092/F

Expiry date for comments: 19 December

Location: 9 FULLER CLOSE, WADHURST, TN5 6HY

Description: Amended Plans and change to description received 4 December 2019.

SINGLE STOREY REAR EXTENSION AND CONVERSION OF ROOF
SPACE WITH CONSERVATION ROOFLIGHTS

Amended Plans and change to description received 4 December 2019.

COMMENT – NO OBJECTION TO THE REVISED PLANS.

7. To consider notices of decisions received

Approvals: *None*

Raise no Objections: *None*

Prior Approval Not Required: *None*

Application Not Issued: *None*

Issue: *None*

Refusals:

Application No. WD/2019/1699/F

DEMOLITION OF EXISTING SINGLE-STOREY EXTENSION; PROPOSED REPLACEMENT SINGLE
STOREY EXTENSION

STROOD HOUSE, WADHURST ROAD, MARK CROSS, TN6 3PB

Withdrawn:

Appeals:

Dismissed:

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Enforcement Notice: *None*

8. To discuss Tree Preservation Orders: *None*

9. Community Infrastructure Levy (CiL): *Noted*

10. Urgent issues: *None*

Meeting ended at 10.24 hrs.