



Working for the Community in Rotherfield, Mark Cross,  
Eridge Green, Boarshead and surrounding areas

**MINUTES OF THE VIRTUAL MEETING OF THE  
PLANNING AND BUILDING COMMITTEE  
HELD ON TUESDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> APRIL 2020 AT 19:30**

As permitted by the Local Authorities (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020 No.392 this meeting will be conducted "online". Any members of the public who also wish to attend on this basis please contact the Council Administrator so that arrangements may be made for them.

**PRESENT**

|                               |                     |                   |
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| Cllr D Hiles (Chair)          | Cllr G Watson-Smith | Cllr A Martin     |
| Cllr N Wickenden (Vice Chair) | Cllr L Henrick      | Cllr J Richardson |
| Cllr P Kember                 | Cllr J Kitchenham   |                   |

**COUNCILLORS ABSENT**

None

**ALSO PRESENT**

Adam Hardy (Council Administrator)

**1. TO RECEIVE THE FOLLOWING: -**

**a) Apologies for absence (LGA 1972 s85):**

Cllr Glynn had submitted apologies.

It was **RESOLVED** that their reasons for absence be accepted.

**b) Declaration of personal, prejudicial and disclosable pecuniary interests on items on the agenda, and updates to members' register of interests.**

None

**c) To resolve that the Minutes of the meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2020 be taken as read, confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.**

It was **RESOLVED** that these be confirmed and adopted as a true record and they were signed by the Chair of the Committee

**2. TO CONSIDER AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE FOLLOWING APPLICATIONS AND OTHER PLANNING MATTERS.**

**a) WD/2020/0621/F - Highfield, New Road, Rotherfield, TN6 3JT**

Two storey front and small rear extension, first floor rear extension, and replacement garage.

It was **RESOLVED** to recommend to Wealden District Council that this application be **APPROVED**.

**REASON:** It will enhance the facilities of the property.

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- b) **WD/2020/0414/F** - Hobblies, New Road, Rotherfield, TN6 3JS  
Conversion of garage to bedroom and single storey extension to rear of existing bungalow.

It was **RESOLVED** to recommend to Wealden District Council that this application be **APPROVED**.

**REASON:** It will enhance the facilities of the property.

- c) **WD/2020/7016/AD** - Gillridge Barn, Crowborough, TN6 1UR  
Construction of extension to existing agricultural barn.

It was **RESOLVED** to make **NO COMMENT** as this is an agricultural determination, comment will be made if this becomes a planning application.

**3. TO RECEIVE THE FOLLOWING FROM WEALDEN DISTRICT COUNCIL.**

i. **Decision notices.**

- a) **WD/2019/1850/F** - Shannon House, Eridge Road, Boars Head, Crowborough TN6 3HD  
3 no. Dormer windows on south-west elevation of detached garage.

Recommended for **APPROVAL** by this Committee and **APPROVED** by Wealden District Council.

- b) **WD/2019/1957/F** - St Denys' Church, Church Road, Rotherfield, TN6 3LG  
Replacement heating installation including new boiler with new balance flue to external wall.

Recommended for **APPROVAL** by this Committee and **APPROVED** by Wealden District Council.

- c) **WD/2019/2479/F** - Providence Chapel, South Street, Rotherfield, TN6 3LR  
Rear addition and installation of four rooflights and widening of door on existing building.

Recommended for **APPROVAL** by this Committee and **APPROVED** by Wealden District Council.

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- d) **WD/2020/0262/F** - The Hollies, Mayfield Road, Rotherfield, TN6 3LS  
Installation of a new front door and glazed fanlight into the existing empty front porch aperture. Raise 2no. Cill heights on rear left flank wall. Raise the lintel height of window to match existing kitchen window. Brick up existing gf WC window and create new aperture for the installation of a set of french doors. Brick up existing rear doorway to window cill height to allow for the installation of a new window.

Recommended for **APPROVAL** by this Committee and **APPROVED** by Wealden District Council.

- e) **WD/2020/0191/F** - Hollybridge, Forge Road, Eridge, TN3 9LH  
Change of use of land from agricultural to garden land ancillary to existing dwelling. Erection of a barn to provide secure storage for land maintenance equipment and vehicles, workshop, tool store, farm office and cloakroom. (revision to WD/2019/0690/F)

Recommended for **REFUSAL** by this Committee but **APPROVED** by Wealden District Council

*RESPONSE TO PARISH COUNCIL: A robust justification has been provided by the applicant as to the need of the building and the design significantly modified to ensure a simpler form more associated with a small grouping of farm buildings is constructed. Conditions have been added to the permission to ensure that the building is not later subdivided to form a new dwelling or separate business.*

- f) **WD/2020/0321/F** - Tamar, Town Row Green, Rotherfield, TN6 3QZ  
Extension to rear and end of garage to provide gym for private use and addition to annexed accommodation in the roof space.

Recommended for **APPROVAL** by this Committee but **REFUSED** by Wealden District Council.

ii. **Planning correspondence.**

The following applications were considered under Delegated Powers and responses communicated to Wealden District Council:

- **WD/2019/1304/F** - Orznash Farm, Rotherfield

It was **RESOLVED** to recommend to Wealden District Council that this application be **APPROVED**.

**REASON:** It will enhance the facilities of the property.

- **WD/2020/0425/F** - Lodgeland, Treblers Road, Rotherfield, TN6 3RP

It was **AGREED** to recommend to Wealden District Council that this application be **APPROVED**.

**REASON:** It will enhance the facilities of the property.

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- **WD/2020/0369/MFA** - Land North of Walshes Road, Crowborough, TN6 3RE

It was **AGREED** to recommend to Wealden District Council that this application be **REFUSED**.

**REASON:** Overdevelopment of the plot with insufficient surrounding infrastructure to support a larger development.

- **WD/2020/0342/LDE** - Saxonbury Farm, Tunbridge Wells Road, Mark Cross, TN6 3PA

It was **AGREED** to recommend to Wealden District Council that this application be **APPROVED**.

**REASON:** It regularise the situation at the property.

- **WK/201913495** - Courtyard Café, 6a High Street, Rotherfield, East Sussex TN6 3LL

Rotherfield Parish Council has **NO OBJECTION** to this licence.

- **TM/2020/0075/TPO** - Hollow Wood, Mayfield Road, Rotherfield, TN6 3LR

Rotherfield Parish Council has **NO OBJECTION** to the Tree Protection Order.

iii. **Any Enforcement, Conservation or appeal matters.**

- Appeal Ref: APP/C1435/W/19/3235140  
Cuckoo Barn, Land off Douglas Road, Rotherfield, TN6 3QT

Recommended for **APPROVAL** by this committee, **REFUSED** by Wealden District Council & **APPEAL DISMISSED** by the Secretary of State.

iv. **Tree Notices and applications from Wealden District Council.**

None

4. **TO RECEIVE NOTICE OF DATE OF NEXT MEETING OF THIS COMMITTEE.**

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2020 to be held virtually, starting at 19:30.

5. **TO RECEIVE DETAILS OF ANY URGENT ISSUES FOR NOTING OR INCLUSION ON FUTURE AGENDA.**

- Cllr Henrick reported that Rotherfield Surgery had made a request regarding the replacement flooring in parts of the Surgery and wondered if the Parish Council would be able to contribute.

**Clerk** to add an agenda item on the 30<sup>th</sup> April Parish Council Meeting.

Meeting ended at: 19:48

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**6. PUBLIC FORUM.**

None.

**Adopted as a true record at the 12<sup>th</sup> May 2020 meeting  
of the Parish Council.**

**The minutes will be signed when circumstances allow.**

.....Chair.....Date