



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 14<sup>th</sup> July 2020 AT 19:30**

**PRESENT**

Cllr D Hiles (Chair)	Cllr P Kember	Cllr A Martin
Cllr N Wickenden (Vice Chair)	Cllr L Henrick	Cllr J Richardson
Cllr J Kitchenham	Cllr N Glynn	

**COUNCILLORS ABSENT**

None

**ALSO PRESENT**

Adam Hardy (Council Administrator)

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

**a) Public Forum:**

None

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

Cllr Watson-Smith has submitted an apology for this meeting. It was **RESOLVED** that the reason be accepted.

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

None

**d) To resolve that the Minutes of the meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 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.

**e) Appointment of Cllr Harris to this committee.**

It was **RESOLVED** that Cllr Harris be appointed to this Committee.

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

**a) WD/2020/0769/F - 1 Fernhurst Cottages, New Road, Rotherfield, TN6 3JP**  
Replacement of existing 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/2020/1149/OH** - Eridge Road, Crowborough, TN6 3HE  
Alterations to the high voltage (HV) overhead lines.

It was **RESOLVED** to **COMMENT** to Wealden District Council that we acknowledge this application.

- c) **WD/2020/0890/MAJ** - Warren Farm, Warren Farm Lane, Eridge Green, TN3 9JG  
Conversion of disused and redundant farm buildings to provide 8 NO. dwellings plus the erection of 3 NO. New build dwellings with parking provision and soft landscaping.

Cllr Martin declared an interest in this application as he knows the company facilitating the application.

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

**REASON:** There is inadequate access to the site, and it is an overdevelopment of the site.

**ADDITIONAL COMMENT:** The committee recommends that Frant Parish Council be consulted as the access to the property is in their parish boundary.

- d) **WD/2020/0879/LB** - Warren Farm, Warren Farm Lane, Eridge Green, TN3 9JG  
Conversion of disused and redundant farm buildings to provide 8 NO. dwellings plus the erection of 3 NO. New build dwellings with parking provision and soft landscaping.

Cllr Martin declared an interest in this application as he knows the company facilitating the application.

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

**REASON:** There is inadequate access to the site, and it is an overdevelopment of the area.

**ADDITIONAL COMMENT:** The committee recommends that Frant Parish Council be consulted as the access to the property is in their parish boundary.

- e) **WD/2020/1129/F** - Pinehurst Farm, Steep Road, Crowborough, TN6 3RX  
Proposed demolition of existing 2 storey extension and construction of replacement 2 storey extension.

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

**REASON:** It will improve the character of the building.

Cllr Martin wished it to be recorded that he abstained from voting on this application.

- f) **WD/2020/1024/F** - The Lodge, Catts Hill, Mark Cross, TN6 3NH  
Proposed one new dwelling and detached garage.

Cllr Kitchenham declared an interest in this application as he is a close neighbour to this property.

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

**REASONS:** It will set a precedent for development outside of Rotherfield Village centre. There are concerns about the access with a drive leading onto a 40mph road with minimal visibility.

- g) **WD/2020/1152/F** - Trusley, New Road, Rotherfield, TN6 3JT  
Proposed single storey rear extension.

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

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

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

#### i. Decision notices.

- a) **WD/2019/1304/F** - Orznash Farm, Gillridge Lane, Crowborough, TN6 1UR  
Demolition and rebuilding of existing single-storey barns for use as habitable accommodation ancillary to Orznash Farm.

Recommended for **APPROVAL** by this committee with suggested Section 106 Agreement and **APPROVED** by Wealden District Council

***Response to Parish Council:** It is not standard Council practice to tie annexe use to a dwelling with a S106 Agreement. A condition would be imposed to the same effect if permission was forthcoming.*

- 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.

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

- c) **WD/2020/0621/F** - Highfield, New Road, Rotherfield, TN6 3JT  
Two storey front and small rear extension, first floor rear extension, and replacement garage.

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

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- d) **WD/2020/0645/F** - Meadowview, Catts Hill, Mark Cross, TN6 3NH  
Two storey rear and side extension to house, extension to room in roof, removal of garage replaced with two storey link to house, single storey boiler room extension to side and a four bay detached garage.

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

ii. **Planning correspondence.**

- None

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

- Licensing Act 2003 Re: Rendlye Farm, Sandhill Lane, Boars Head, East Sussex, TN3 9LP – Correspondence received from Bowles Outdoor Centre.

The Committee acknowledge the letter from the Trustees of Bowles Outdoor Centre.

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

- **TM/2020/0183/TCA** - The Tentermeads, Mayfield Road, Rotherfield, TN6 3LS  
Sever ivy from ground and cut low limbs on one sycamore tree, fell 1 x lawson cypress, 1 x beech, 2 x sweet chestnut, 1 x leylandii, 10 x conifers and 1 x cherry tree, subject to regulations designated Rotherfield Conservation Area November 1976/March 1997/March 2017.

The committee has no objection to the proposed tree works.

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

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> August 2020 to be held virtually on Microsoft Teams unless otherwise advised.

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

None

Chair declared the formal business of the meeting closed at 20:17

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