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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE HELD ON TUESDAY, 13TH MAY 2025 IN THE PARISH COUNCIL ROOM AT ROTHERFIELD VILLAGE HALL AT 7:30 PM

PRESENT

Cllr D Hiles (Chair)
Cllr P Kember (Vice-Chair)
Cllr E Holmes-Cutting

Cllr P Snelling
Cllr J Gosney
Cllr J Richardson

Cllr P Beach
Cllr B Johnstone

COUNCILLORS ABSENT

None

ALSO PRESENT

Adam Hardy (Parish Clerk & RFO)

1. TO RECEIVE THE FOLLOWING: -

a) Introduction of Councillors & Officers.

The Councillors and Officers introduced themselves to the members of the public.

b) Public Forum:

None.

c) Apologies for absence (LGA 1972 s85):

Apologies have been received from Cllr R Harris.

It was **RESOLVED** to accept the reasons for apologies.

Apologies had also been received from Cllr Jessika Hulbert (Wealden District Council).

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

Cllr B Johnstone declared a prejudicial interest in item 2b and will not vote on the motion.

e) To resolve that the Minutes of the meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday 1st April 2025 be taken as read, confirmed as a correct record, and signed by the Chair.

It was **RESOLVED** that these minutes represented a true record, and they were signed by the Chair.

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

a) **WD/2025/0879/PO** - Warren Farm, Warren Farm Lane, Eridge, TN3 9JG and Strawberry Hill Farm, Eridge Road, Eridge Green TN3 9EX

Modification of section 106 agreement dated 02 May 2023 attached to WD/2021/0384/F & WD/2021/0385/LB (demolition of the modern farm buildings and conversion of the curtilage

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listed buildings (to include some extension and alterations) to provide 6 no. Dwellings with parking provision and soft landscaping) and WD/2021/0391/F (demolition of existing farm buildings and erection of 4 no. Dwellings as enabling development (see WD/2021/0384/f & WD/2021/0385/LB) coupled with the erection of a Cartlodge, external parking provision and soft landscaping) to enable amendment of the due date for the enabling development surplus payment and the heritage assets management scheme.

It was **RESOLVED** to recommend to Wealden District Council that this application be **APPROVED**. The Committee had no further comments on the application.

- b) **WD/2025/0929/F** - Little Hayesden, Treblers Road, Jarvis Brook, TN6 3RL
Create vehicle access.

It was **RESOLVED** to recommend to Wealden District Council that this application be **APPROVED**. The Committee had no further comments on the application.

- c) **WD/2025/0339/O** - Land To The South Of Boars Head Inn, Boars Head Road, Crowborough, TN6 3GR
Outline application for erection of a single storey 2/3 bedroom dwelling cut into the site slope.

It was **RESOLVED** to recommend to Wealden District Council that this application be **REFUSED**. The proposed site is outside of the Development Boundary. The site is in the High Weald Natural Landscape and development will not conserve or enhance the landscape.

Four Councillors abstained from voting on this application.

- d) **WD/2025/1028/F** - Heathfield Cottage, Town Row Green, Rotherfield, TN6 3QZ
Single storey extension.

It was **RESOLVED** to recommend to Wealden District Council that this application be **APPROVED**. The Committee had no further comments on the application.

- e) **WD/2025/1043/F** - The Old Pump House, Spout Hill, Town Row, Rotherfield, TN6 3QS
Telescopic pool cover removed and replaced with new pool building.

One member of the public addressed the Committee speaking in favour of the application.

It was **RESOLVED** to recommend to Wealden District Council that this application be **APPROVED**. The Committee had no further comments on the application.

- f) **WD/2025/1047/F** - Bird View, Steep Road, Crowborough, TN6 3RX
Single storey extension.

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It was **RESOLVED** to recommend to Wealden District Council that this application be **APPROVED**. The Committee had no further comments on the application.

- g) **WD/2025/1067/F** - Parklands, Yew Tree Lane, Rotherfield, TN6 3QP
Single storey rear extension.

It was **RESOLVED** to recommend to Wealden District Council that this application be **APPROVED**. The Committee had no further comments on the application.

- h) **WD/2025/1086/F** - Bluebell Farm, Church Road, Rotherfield, TN6 3LA
Change of use of land from paddock to residential.

It was **RESOLVED** to recommend to Wealden District Council that this application be **APPROVED** subject to a condition that the boundary is appropriately landscaped to protect the integrity of the remaining agricultural land.

3. TO RECEIVE THE FOLLOWING FROM WEALDEN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

i. Decision Notices.

- **WD/2023/2799/FR** – The Reading Room, Boars Head Road, Boars Head, Crowborough, TN6 3GR
Retrospective application for change of use from agricultural store to general storage.

Recommended for APPROVAL by this Council and APPROVED by Wealden District Council. The Condition suggested by the Parish Council was accepted and formed part of the approval conditions.

- **WD/2025/0346/F** - Balintore, High Cross, Rotherfield, TN6 3PX
Single storey front porch extension and single storey rear extension.

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

- **WD/2025/0504/F** – Renby Stables, Forge Road, Eridge, TN3 9LG
Demolition of detached metal barn and erection of single storey extension and basement.

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

- **WD/2024/2058/FR** - Owlsbury Park Stud, Hadlow Down Road, Crowborough, TN6 3RG
Retrospective application for erection of timber-framed rural workers' dwelling in same location as temporary mobile home permitted under WD/2021/1407/F.

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

- **WD/2025/0586/F** - Adams Cottage, Sweethaws Lane, Crowborough, TN6 3SS
Install conservatory to the rear of the property.

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

- WD/2025/0707/F - Tubwell Farm, Tubwell Lane, Crowborough, TN6 3RQ
Proposed 2 storey side extension.

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

ii. Planning correspondence.

- The Clerk reported that he had received and circulated a copy of the full response of the Rotherfield Protection Group to the proposed development at Highfields Farm, New Road, Rotherfield.
- The Clerk reported that he had received correspondence connected to Highfields Farm and the ongoing flooding and drainage issues on New Road, Rotherfield. It was **RESOLVED** that the Parish Council would write to Rupert Clubb at East Sussex County Council to inform him of the existing flooding and drainage problems and the SUDS consultation. **Clerk** to write a letter to East Sussex County Council.

iii. Any enforcement, conservation or appeal matters.

Enforcement:

None.

Conservation:

None.

Appeals:

None.

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

Tuesday 3rd June 2025 at 7:30 pm in the Parish Council Room at Rotherfield Village Hall.

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

- The Clerk reminded Councillors of the upcoming Annual Parish Assembly on Saturday, 17th May.

The Chair declared the formal business of the meeting closed at **20:08**

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

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