

**Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting
Held on Thursday 25th March 2021**

In attendance: Cllr Tara Barber, Cllr Richard Booth, Cllr Margaret Crompton, Cllr Clare Herbert, Cllr John Kay, Cllr Gavin May, Cllr Sarah Phillips, Cllr Gordon Sims, Cllr David Terry, Cllr Richard Turner and Cllr John Whitlock (Chairman)

Also in attendance: Gail Metcalfe (Administrator)

Members of the public: Approximately 5

Agenda Items

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

1.1 Apologies were received from Cllr Johnny Denis.

2. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS AND DISPENSATION REQUESTS

2.1 No declarations of Members' interest or dispensation requests were received.

3. TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 25TH FEBRUARY 2021

3.1 It was **resolved** to accept the minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 25th February 2021.

4. PUBLIC QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS - This item shall last not more than 15 minutes or at Chairman's discretion and no contribution shall last more than 3 minutes.

4.1 There were no questions or comments from members of the public.

5. ACTION POINTS

5.1 There were no outstanding actions not covered on this agenda.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

a) To consider any correspondence after this agenda has been published

6.1 There was no correspondence for consideration.

7. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

7.1 LW/21/0120 1 Sadlers Way Ringmer

Two storey rear extension with new enlarged porch to the front of the property

7.2 Comments and observations:

Ringmer Parish Council offer no objection so long as the minimum parking requirement per the Neighbourhood Plan is met (ie. 3 parking spaces for a 4 bedroom house).

7.3 SDNP/21/00695/PRE Land to The South of Lower Stoneham Farm, at Earwig Corner Stoneham Ringmer

Residential development of 60 dwellings (comprising 35 affordable, 15 private market and 10 live/work units), cycle paths, camping area, footpath alterations, woodland, wildlife habitat. Road:- visual barriers including land and s106 contributions to junction relief works at Earwig Corner

7.4 **Comments and observations:**

Ringmer Parish Council are in support of this pre-application.

After some discussion, the Council voted on a show of hands with 5 in support, 5 against and 1 abstention. The Chairman took the casting vote in support.

8. **PLANNING CONSENTS, REFUSALS & APPEALS RECEIVED** – further information regarding consents, refusals & appeals

LW/19/0176 28 Turnpike Close Ringmer – **Permission granted**

LW/21/0025 24 Harvard Road Ringmer East Sussex – **Permission granted**

- 8.1 Re. **LW/21/0025** 24 Harvard Road, the Parish Council wished to express their concern that LDC went against their wishes and the Neighbourhood Plan. It was decided that Cllrs Kay and Whitlock would set up and attend a Zoom meeting with Emily O'Brien to put forward the Parish Council's complaint with a follow-up letter to LDC should this be deemed necessary.

Action: Cllrs Kay and Whitlock

9. **DEED OF GRANT AT ANCHOR FIELD – CONFIDENTIAL DOCUMENTS PREVIOUSLY CIRCULATED**

- 1) To agree for the Parish Council to instruct the Solicitor with regard to granting a deed of grant with Southern Water. of the Protected Strip as the land falls within the land transferred to the Parish Council (coloured yellow on the plan)

- 9.1 After hearing from several Cllrs, it was decided that RPC could not agree to anything or appoint a Solicitor until further information had been provided.

- 9.2 2) Once agreement meets Council's satisfaction for the Clerk to sign the relevant documents in accordance with Ringmer Parish Council's Standing Orders

- 9.3 No action until further information is made available.

10. **ANY REPORTS (BY LEAVE NOT DISCUSSION OR DECISION) ON PLANNING MATTERS**

- 10.1 Cllr Crompton reported that she now had the draft response to the White Paper although that she was having problems emailing it due to its size.

- 10.2 Cllr Terry sought permission to speak with the RPC IT consultant to discuss the infrastructure of emails. He said that RPC should consider moving to Microsoft 365 Business Basic and MS Teams for virtual meeting. Clerk to provide Cllr Terry with IT contact details.

11. **ITEMS FOR REFERRAL TO NEXT AGENDA OR APPROPRIATE COMMITTEE**

- 11.1 Infrastructure of emails.

12. **URGENT ITEMS AT THE CHAIRMAN'S DISCRETION REQUIRING DECISIONS WHICH CANNOT BE HELD OVER UNTIL THE NEXT MEETING**

- 12.1 There were no urgent items for consideration.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 19.50.

Date of next meeting: 22nd April 2021