MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING GROUP HELD ON 3rd NOVEMBER 2021 VIA ZOOM AT 7.00PM.

PRESENT: Cllrs Davies (Vice-Chairman), Josephson, R Lewin, T Lewin &

Summers

APOLOGIES: Cllrs. Moore, Spackman & Waters

NOT PRESENT:

IN ATTENDANCE: Asst Clerk.

PG75/21 PUBLIC QUESTIONS:

None

PG76/21 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllrs. Moore (family), Spackman (work) & Waters(work)

PG77/21 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of the meeting held on 20st September 2021 were agreed as a true record.

PG78/21 TO DECLARE ANY INTERESTS PERTAINING TO THE ITEMS BELOW

Cllr. Josephson declared a personal interest in Note no PG83/21:

WD/2021/2488/F 22A Hartfield Road, Forest Row as a neighbour to her business address & WD/2021/2486/F Dunsdale, Chapel Lane, Forest Row as a neighbour.

PG79/21 DATES OF NEXT WEALDEN PLANNING COMMITTEE NORTH MEETING.

- 11th November 2021 at 10.00am
- 9th December 2021 at 10.00am

NOTED.

PG80/21 REPORT FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLOR ON PLANNING MATTERS No report.

PG81/21 DECISIONS TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY

The list had been previously circulated and was NOTED.

WD/2021/2143/F – HIGHGATE WORKS, TOMTITS LANE, FOREST ROW – EXTENSION TO PRE SCHOOL NURSERY AND ADDITIONAL PARKING. Members asked the Asst. Clerk to submit the following as a replacement comment: On closer examination of the plans, we realise that this is not an extension but a new building and we therefore object. We also object to the size of the additional parking area which will impact on neighbours.

PG82/21 WEALDEN DISTRICT COUNCIL - PLANNING DECISIONS RECEIVED

The list had been previously circulated and was NOTED.

PG83/21 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Application Number & Address	Proposals	Comments
WD/2021/1918/F ALOHA KE KAI, LONDON ROAD, FOREST ROW	REQUEST TO RETAIN EXISTING BOUNDARY FENCE AND ADDITION OF AN ENTRANCE GATE	We object to this application, as this is not in keeping with the surrounding area.
WD/2021/2441/F ROSE WATER BARN, THORNHILL, ASHURST WOOD	CHANGE OF USE OF LOG CABIN FROM FARM OFFICE TO HOLIDAY ACCOMMODATION	We strongly object to this application. Leaving aside the considerable opposition from neighbours to the original application, as already summarised by the neighbour response on the planning portal, and the way in which a Permitted agricultural development was gamed into something far more by the original land owner, this would be a poor development. It would be the only habitation on the whole 2km stretch of the road, from the East Sussex border up to Dog Gate Lodge, that lies to the North of said road, visible across a large valley to the North. An extremely rural landscape with all houses to the South of the road being substantial, not static caravans like this. As such it would represent an appalling precedent, not least since the outward look of the building is the same as the far larger agricultural barn immediately adjacent (it is not a log cabin: see your Officer's original comments). Both have wooden slat walls and the same red metal roofing material. We would also refer you back to an application to develop a group of now derelict agricultural buildings exactly on the East/West Sussex border on the same road, including a new house and renovation of the farm. This was rejected by WDC, despite support from this Council, from the adjacent Ashurst Wood Village Council and all immediate neighbours. Finally, we find it is strange that the Applicant's Planning Statement conveniently ignores paragraph 4 of WDC's Planning Enforcement Officer's original comments on the "Office", even though it is included as an attachment.

WD/2021/2434/F ARTS HOUSE, PLAWHATCH LANE, SHARPTHORNE	DEMOLISH EXISTING ORANGERY AND REPLACE WITH A SINGLE STOREY PART WRAP AROUND EXTENSION	We have no objections to these plans in principle, but the drawings are unclear.
WD/2021/2486/F DUNSDALE, CHAPEL LANE, FOREST ROW	SINGLE STOREY SIDE EXTENSION	No objections to this application
WD/2021/2430/F HORNPIPE, PARK ROAD, FOREST ROW	REAR EXTENSION	No objections to this application
WD/2021/2495/F & WD/2021/2498/LB SPRING HILL FAR, STABLES, PRIORY ROAD, FOREST ROW	SMALL SIDE EXTENSION TO EXISTING CONVERTED STABLE BLOCK	We support this development
WD/2021/2158/F THE GARDEN HOUSE, PARK ROAD, FOREST ROW	PROPOSED GARDEN ROOM FOR THE USE OF AN OFFICE AND SMALL HOME GYM	We have no objections to this application
WD/2021/2488/F 22A HARTFIELD ROAD, FOREST ROW	PROPOSED 1 ST FLOOR REAR EXTENSION	No objections to this amended proposal
WD/2021/2226/F PRIORS FARM, PRIORY ROAD, FOREST ROW	CONSTRUCTION OF 20M X 40M EQUESTRIAN ARENA, 15M HARD LUNGE, 30M X 2M TROT UP WITH 5M TURNING CIRCLE, ACCESSED BY A 30M X 3M ENTRANCE TRACK	We support this additional facility
WD/2021/2563/F COVAL COURT, FOREST ROAD, FOREST ROW	CONVERSION OF EXISTING GROUND FLOOR OF GARAGE INTO A LIVING SPACE FOR EXISTING ANNEXE WITH A TWO STOREY REAR EXTENSION TO CREATE ADDITIONAL HABITABLE ROOMS AND REPLACE EXISTING CARPORT WITH A NEW SINGLE STOREY GARAGE	No objections to this application
WD/2021/2527/F 46 HARTFIELD ROAD, FOREST ROW	PART SINGLE PART TWO STOREY REAR EXTENSION AND THE REPLACEMENT OF THE EXISTING FRONT PORCH	As long as there is no prejudice to the adjoining neighbours light or privacy, we would have no objections.

WWD/2021/2627/FA BOWER LODGE, HOLTYE ROAD, HAMMERWOOD WARIATION OF CONDITION 4 OF WD/2017/0379/F (PROPOSED HAY BARN AND TRACTOR/EQUIPMENT STORE) TO CHANGE EXTERNAL APPEARANCE OF THE BARN	No objections to this amendment
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PG84/21 TO COMMENT ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AFTER CIRCULATION OF AGENDA

Application Number & Address	Proposals	Comments

It was AGREED that a further Planning Group meeting would take place via Zoom on 15th November 2021 at 7pm.

PG85/21 CORRESPONDENCE

Notice of Appeal: CHERRY TREE COTTAGE, POPLAR LANE, FOREST ROW – proposed new highways access and associated hard standing. NOTED

PG86/21 ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION BY THIS COMMITTEE OR FULL COUNCIL

Cllr. R Lewin asked that a housing character survey for the village be considered in the future.

The meeting closed at 7.47pm.