

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING GROUP HELD ON 9TH OCTOBER 2023 via ZOOM

PRESENT: Cllrs Summers (Chair), Gilbert & Mr R Lewin (Co-opted)

APOLOGIES: Cllr. Eichner, Lewin, Volkers & Waters

NOT PRESENT: Cllr. Scott

IN ATTENDANCE: The Clerk & Asst Clerk. District Cllr. Patterson-Vanegas

P101/23 PUBLIC QUESTIONS:

None

P102/23 APOLOGIES

Cllrs. Eichner (family), Lewin (prior meeting), Volkers (family) & Waters (family).

P103/23 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of the meeting held on 11th September 2023 were agreed as a true record.

P104/23 TO DECLARE ANY INTERESTS PERTAINING TO THE ITEMS BELOW

None

P105/23 DATES OF NEXT WEALDEN PLANNING COMMITTEE NORTH MEETINGS.

Next scheduled meeting: 12th October 2023 at 10.00 am

9th November 2023 at 10 am

NOTED

P106/23 REPORT FROM DISTRICT & COUNTY COUNCILLORS ON PLANNING MATTERS

District Cllr. Patterson-Vanegas reported that it was hoped that the Local Plan would move to Regulation 19 soon when there would be a public consultation. The Plan has to be submitted by June 2024. She asked for volunteers from the Council to assist her with the public consultation on the Local Plan.

She advised that WDC could no longer refuse planning applications purely on sewage concerns, but could apply 'Grampian conditions' which means that permission would not be granted until WDC is satisfied that there will be no issues with sewage. She would keep us informed on this matter.

District Cllr. Patterson-Vanegas left the meeting at 7.18.

P107/23 DECISIONS TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY

The list had been previously circulated and was NOTED.

P108/23 WEALDEN DISTRICT COUNCIL – PLANNING DECISIONS RECEIVED

The list had been previously circulated and was NOTED.

P109/23 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Application Number & Address	Proposals	Comments
WD/2023/2284/F 4 MEDWAY COTTAGES, LOWER ROAD, FOREST ROW	FIRST FLOOR REAR EXTENSION	We object to this application because we have concerns re the overshadowing of the immediate neighbour, and the potential extra strain on the drainage system.
WD/2023/2178/F RINGROSE, PRIMROSE LANE, FOREST ROW	DETACHED GARAGE/CARPORT WITH STUDY OVER	We find the application totally inconsistent with the ecology report which talks about a 'new dwelling' therefore we cannot consider this application as it stands. We are unsure if this is a garage or a new dwelling.
WD/2023/1882/F ORLINGBURY HOUSE (FORMER YEW TREE HOUSE), LEWES ROAD, FOREST ROW	CHANGE OF USE OF OFFICES TO FORM 2NO. DWELLINGS, INCLUDING DEMOLITION OF LINK LOBBY. CHANGE OF USE OF GYM INCLUDING DEMOLITION WORKS AND THE ERECTION OF 1NO. NEW DWELLING WITHIN THE GROUNDS OF OFFICES	We have no objections to this proposal

P110/23 TO COMMENT ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AFTER CIRCULATION OF AGENDA

Application Number & Address	Proposals	Comments
None		

P111/23 CORRESPONDENCE

None

P112/23 ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION BY THIS COMMITTEE OR FULL COUNCIL

Cllr. Gilbert & Mr R Lewin offered to help oversee the Local Plan.

The meeting closed at 7:43pm.