

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING GROUP HELD ON 20th MARCH 2023 via ZOOM

PRESENT: Cllrs Davies (Chairman), R Lewin, T Lewin, & Summers

APOLOGIES: Cllrs. Josephson & Waters

NOT PRESENT: Cllr. Spackman

IN ATTENDANCE: The Asst Clerk, District Cllr. Patterson-Vanegas, Michael Ricks & Alan Potter

P25/23 PUBLIC QUESTIONS:

Michael Ricks expressed his concerns regarding the ownership of the Land adjoining Brambletye Lane. Alan Potter explained that his company had produced the report for the proposal for the change of use from Household Waste Recycling Centre to a Scrap Metal Recycling Site and would answer any questions from the Group.

P26/23 APOLOGIES

Cllr. Josephson (leave), Cllr Waters (family).

P27/23 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of the meeting held on 30th January 2023 were agreed as a true record.

P28/23 TO DECLARE ANY INTERESTS PERTAINING TO THE ITEMS BELOW

None

P29/23 DATES OF NEXT WEALDEN PLANNING COMMITTEE NORTH MEETING.

Next scheduled meeting: 30th March at 10:00 am

NOTED

P30/23 REPORT FROM DISTRICT & COUNTY COUNCILLORS ON PLANNING MATTERS

District Cllr. Patterson-Vanegas advised that Wealden District Council were still waiting on central Government for changes to the Policy for the Local Plan. They were doing as much as they could while this is awaited.

P31/23 DECISIONS TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY

The list had been previously circulated and was NOTED

P32/23 WEALDEN DISTRICT COUNCIL – PLANNING DECISIONS RECEIVED

The list had been previously circulated and was NOTED.

P33/23 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Application Number & Address	Proposals	Comments
WD/2023/0583/FR LAND ADJOINING BRAMBLETYE LANE, BRAMBLETYE LANE, FOREST ROW	RETROSPECTIVE APPLICATION FOR THE STATIONING OF A MOBILE HOME	We have concerns regarding what the commercial use of this site will be and therefore object. We would also object strongly to any residential use without a change of justification.
WD/2023/0597/F LAND ADJOINING BRAMBLETYE LANE, BRAMBLETYE	RETROSPECTIVE APPLICATION FOR THE CHANGE OF USE OF A BARN FROM AGRICULTURAL TO COMMERCIAL BUSINESS; THE STATIONING OF A PORTA CABIN; THE STATIONING OF TWO SHIPPING	We have concerns regarding what the commercial use of this site will be and therefore object.

LANE, FOREST ROW, FOREST ROW, RH18 5HE	CONTAINERS AND ASSOCIATED COVERED STORAGE	We would also object strongly to any residential use without a change of justification.
WD/2023/0463/F HOMESTALL COURT, HOMESTALL ROAD, ASHURST WOOD	PART CONVERSION OF EXISTING STABLE BLOCK INTO ONE BEDROOM RESIDENTIAL ANNEX. STABLE FUNCTION TO REMAIN IN THE NORTH END OF THE BLOCK	We have no objections to this proposal
WD/2023/0630/F RIVERVIEW BUSINESS PARK, STATION ROAD, FOREST ROW	ERECTION OF 188 SOLAR PANELS TO THE MAIN ROOF	We support this proposal
WD/2023/0582/F 70 HARTFIELD ROAD, FOREST ROW	SINGLE STOREY REAR EXTENSION WITH A PITCHED ROOF. INSERTION OF 1NO. WINDOW TO REAR ELEVATION AT FIRST FLOOR LEVEL	No objections to this application

P34/23 TO COMMENT ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AFTER CIRCULATION OF AGENDA

Application Number & Address	Proposals	Comments
WD/2023/0507/F 9 PARK CRESCENT, FOREST ROW	FRONT PORCH	No objections to this application

P35/23 TO COMMENT ON EAST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE) (ENGLAND) ORDER 2015 - Forest Row House hold Waste Recycling Site, Station Road, Forest Row, East Sussex, RH18 5DW

Retrospective planning application for a Metal Recycling Facility. Operations include receipt, sorting and storage of locally sourced scrap metals for onward recycling. The existing building will be used for non-ferrous metal storage while ferrous metal will be received, sorted and stored in the external yard. The proposal includes an increase in height of the existing boundary treatment for noise attenuation purposes.

Comment: We have concerns regarding pollution leaking into the River Medway but have no other comments as long as Station Road is maintained.

P36/23 CORRESPONDENCE

Appeal decision – Spring Hill Stables, Weir Wood, Forest Row – DISMISSED NOTED

Appeal decision – Rydon House, Station Road, Forest Row – DISMISSED NOTED

Certificate of Lawful Development application – The Coach House, Upper Close, Forest Row – Residential self-contained annexe to main dwelling house formerly used as a garage and workshop, detached from main house. No comment to be submitted.

WD/2022/3268/F – LAND SOUTH OF HARTFIELD ROAD, FOREST ROW – ERECTION OF 4 NO. NEW DETACHED DWELLINGS AND ASSOCIATED GARAGING. FORMATION OF A NEW ACCESS FROM HARTFIELD ROAD (RESUBMISSION OF PLANNING APPLICATION WD/2021/1916/F).
This application had been REFUSED. NOTED

P37/23 ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION BY THIS COMMITTEE OR FULL COUNCIL

None

The meeting closed at 7:40pm.