

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING GROUP HELD ON 22nd JULY 2024 in the COMMUNITY CENTRE

PRESENT: Cllrs Summers (Chair), Eichner, Gilbert, Waters & Mr R Lewin

APOLOGIES: District Cllr. Rachel Millward

NOT PRESENT: District Cllr. Patricia Patterson-Vanegas

IN ATTENDANCE: The Clerk & Deputy Clerk. 7 members of public

PG73/24 PUBLIC QUESTIONS:

3 members of public spoke about their concerns and objections to the proposals for Ashdown House School.

PG74/24 APOLOGIES

District Cllr. Millward (family)

PG75/24 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of the meeting held on 8th July 2024 were agreed as a true record.

PG76/24 TO DECLARE ANY INTERESTS PERTAINING TO THE ITEMS BELOW

Cllr. Waters declared a personal interest in App. Nos. WD/2022/2373/LB & WF/2024/1378/FR as a family member of the landowners.

PG77/24 DATES OF NEXT WEALDEN PLANNING COMMITTEE NORTH MEETINGS.

Next scheduled meeting:

25th July 2024 at 10am

NOTED

PG78/24 REPORT FROM DISTRICT & COUNTY COUNCILLORS ON PLANNING MATTERS

None

PG79/24 DECISIONS TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY

None

PG80/24 WEALDEN DISTRICT COUNCIL – PLANNING DECISIONS RECEIVED

The list had been previously circulated and was NOTED.

PG81/24 PLANNING APPLICATIONS –

Application Number & Address	Proposals	Comments
WD/2022/2373/LB ASHDOWN HOUSE SCHOOL, HARTFIELD ROAD, FOREST ROW	RESIDENTIAL USE AND PARTIAL REDEVELOPMENT OF THE FORMER ASHDOWN HOUSE SCHOOL, INCLUDING 1) PARTIAL DEMOLITION OF EXISTING ACCRETIONS, AND EXTENSION, ALTERATION AND CONVERSION OF ASHDOWN HOUSE TO RESIDENTIAL USE; 2) DEMOLITION AND PARTIAL DEMOLITION, EXTENSION AND REPLACEMENT OF	The Councils previous response would be updated and submitted.

	DETACHED FREE-STANDING BUILDINGS FOR RESIDENTIAL USE; 3) ERECTION OF DWELLING HOUSES; 4) RETENTION, REFURBISHMENT AND REORGANISATION OF EXISTING DWELLINGS. ALONG WITH ASSOCIATED HARD AND SOFT LANDSCAPING AND ASSOCIATED WORKS. Additional information received 20 April 2023	
WD/2024/1378/FR ASHDOWN FARMHOUSE, HARTFIELD ROAD FOREST ROW	RETENTION OF 1.2M HIGH STOCK FENCE ON EITHER SIDE OF FARM TRACK TO PREVENT SHEEP/DEER GETTING ONTO ROAF AND TO KEEP CATTLE/SHEEP ON ADJACENT FIELDS	No objections to this proposal.
WD/2024/1379/F FIELD TO NORTH OF A22, AS WALL HILL ROAD BRANCHES OFF THE A22, FOREST ROW	CREATION OF NEW FIELD ACCESS WITH HARD STANDING FROM THE A22 AND REMOVAL OF EXISTING FIELD ACCESS	Although we have no objections in principle, we have concerns regarding both the loss of hedging (although we appreciate some would be replaced) and verge, and also road safety concerns which would have to be considered by Highways.

PG82/24 TO COMMENT ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AFTER CIRCULATION OF AGENDA

Application Number & Address	Proposals	Comments
None		

PG83/24 CORRESPONDENCE

None

PG84/24 ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION BY THIS COMMITTEE OR FULL COUNCIL

None

The meeting closed at 7:50pm.