

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING GROUP HELD ON 31<sup>st</sup> MARCH 2025 via ZOOM**

**PRESENT:** Cllrs Summers (Chair), Matthews & Waters. Mr R Lewin

**APOLOGIES:** Cllr. Gilbert

**NOT PRESENT:** Cllr. Eichner

**IN ATTENDANCE:** The Clerk & Deputy Clerk.

**P37/25 PUBLIC QUESTIONS:**

None

**P38/25 APOLOGIES**

Cllr. Gilbert (work)

**P39/25 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

The Minutes of the meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> March 2025 were agreed as a true record.

**P40/25 TO DECLARE ANY INTERESTS PERTAINING TO THE ITEMS BELOW**

None

**P41/25 DATES OF NEXT WEALDEN PLANNING COMMITTEE NORTH MEETINGS.**

Next scheduled meeting:

2<sup>nd</sup> May 2025 at 10am

NOTED

**P42/25 REPORT FROM DISTRICT & COUNTY COUNCILLORS ON PLANNING MATTERS**

None received.

**P43/25 DECISIONS TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY**

None

**P44/25 WEALDEN DISTRICT COUNCIL – PLANNING DECISIONS RECEIVED**

The list had been previously circulated and was NOTED.

**P45/25 PLANNING APPLICATIONS –**

<b>Application Number &amp; Address</b>	<b>Proposals</b>	<b>Comments</b>
WD/2025/0529/LB LITTLE WATER FARM, HOMESTALL ROAD, ASHURST WOOD	RENOVATION OF A GRADE 11 LISTED HOUSE, INCLUDING ALTERATIONS TO THE INTERNAL LAYOUT, ROOF REFURBISHMENT, GROUND FLOOR WORKS AND NEW ROOFLIGHTS, WINDOWS AND DOORS	The proposed conditions for protecting bats needs to be strictly monitored and checked for compliance. No objection otherwise as long as the Conservation Officer is satisfied
WD/2025/0424/FA CHANCEL VIEW, 88 HARTFIELD ROAD FOREST ROW	VARIATION OF CONDITIONS 2,3,4,5,6,7, & 13 OF WD/2022/3048/F (CONVERSION OF THE FORMER CHURCH INTO 2 NO. TWO BEDROOM APARTMENTS, THE ERECTION OF A TWO-	No objections to these amendments

	BEDROOMHOUSE WITHIN THE FORMER CAR PARK OF THE CHURCH, RETENTION OF THE EXISTING FOUR-BEDROOM PRESBYTERY AND THE PROVISION OF ASSOCIATED CAR PARKING AND LANDSCAPING. DEMOLITION OF BELL TOWER OF THE CHURCH AND ADJACENT SMALL CANOPY LINK) TO ENABLE AMENDMENTS TO BIN STORAGE, PARKING SPACES, GARDEN BOUNDARIES/ LANDSCAPING, EXTERNAL ALTERATIONS TO HICKORY HOUSE 1 & 2 AND LANCER COTTAGE INCLUDING LARGER AREA OF SOLAR PANELS TO LANCER COTTAGE, AND RAISING OF RIDGE/EAVES OVER SECTION OF HICKORY HOUSE 1 & 2, WITH PRE-COMMENCEMENT CONDITIONS TO BECOME POST-COMMENCEMENT CONDITIONS.	
WD/2025/0585/F FERNHILL, PRIORY ROAD, FOREST ROW	DEMOLITION OF EXISTING SINGLE STOREY DOUBLE GARAGE, EXTERNAL STORE AND HARDSTANDING. ERECTION OF NEW SINGLE STOREY HOME OFFICE, GYM AND DOUBLE GARAGE	No objections to this proposal
WD/2025/0258/O LAND NORTH OF CAXTON MANOR, WALL HILL ROAD, ASHURST WOOD	PROPOSED SINGLE DWELLING	We feel this is an overlarge development which is not infill. The provision of a totally separate driveway is unnecessary and adds another hard surface on a hill leading down to Forest Row, where storm water run-off is already a significant problem.
WD/2025/0345/F WRETHAM HOUSE, PRIORY ROAD, FOREST ROW	PROPOSED INSTALLATION OF LOW PROFILE GROUND MOUNTED SOLAR PANELS IN SMALL SECTION OF DOMESTIC GARDEN	No objections to this proposal
WD/2025/0603/P12 BARN ADJACENT TO FLEUR COTTAGE, OWLETT'S FARM, ASHURST WOOD	INSTALLATION OF SOLAR PV PANELS ONTO BOTH THE SOUTH-EAST AND NORTH-WEST FACING PITCHES OF AN EXISTING CORRUGATED CEMENT BOARD BARN ROOF. INSTALLATION LIKELY TO BE IMPLEMENTED IN 2 PHASES, STARTING WITH 50KW ON THE SOUTH-EAST PITCH IN SUMMER 2025, THEN A FURTHER 30KW ON THE NORTH-WEST	No objections to this scheme

	PITCH IN 2026. THE SOLAR PV SYSTEM WILL BE ENHANCED WITH 10KWH OF BATTERY STORAGE; BATTERY STORAGE AND ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT TO BE PARTLY HOUSED INSIDE THE EXISTING BARN STRUCTURE AND PARTLY ON THE WALL OF THE EXISTING BARN	
WD/2025/0510/F APPLETREES, GILHAM LANE, FOREST ROW	FIRST FLOOR EXTENSION TO THE REAR, GARAGE/GARDEN ROOM/STORE TO THE FRONT, ADDITIONAL PARKING, DEMOLITION OF EXISTING GARDEN ROOM AND GARAGE	No objections to this proposal

**46/25 TO COMMENT ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AFTER CIRCULATION OF AGENDA**

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**P47/25 CORRESPONDENCE**

None

**P48/25 ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION BY THIS COMMITTEE OR FULL COUNCIL**

None.

The meeting closed at 7:35pm.