

# Forest Row Parish Council

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(Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9am to 2pm)

To: All members of the PLANNING GROUP  
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(All other Councillors – for information)

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Dear Sir/Madam,

You are invited to attend a meeting of the **PLANNING**

**GROUP** to be held on **TUESDAY 2nd**  
**MAY 2023** VIA ZOOM AT **7.00PM**.

Date: 26 April, 2023

David O'Driscoll

THE FIRST FIFTEEN MINUTES WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR RELEVANT QUESTIONS AND REMARKS FROM THE PUBLIC – IF ANY. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO STAY AND OBSERVE THE REST OF THE MEETING.

1. PUBLIC QUESTIONS – **THE MEETING WILL START NO LATER THAN 7.15PM.**
2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 20<sup>th</sup> March 2023 – previously circulated – AND ANY MATTERS ARISING
4. TO DECLARE ANY INTERESTS PERTAINING TO THE ITEMS BELOW
5. TO NOTE DATES OF NEXT WEALDEN PLANNING COMMITTEE NORTH MEETING(S):
  - 18<sup>th</sup> May 2023 – CANCELLED
  - 15<sup>TH</sup> June 2023 at 10am
6. REPORT FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLOR ON PLANNING MATTERS
7. PLANS DEALT WITH UNDER DELEGATED POWERS – if any
8. WEALDEN DISTRICT COUNCIL – PLANNING DECISIONS RECEIVED – see attached.
9. PLANNING APPLICATIONS – see attached.
10. TO COMMENT ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AFTER CIRCULATION OF AGENDA (TO BE FORWARDED ON THE FRIDAY PRIOR TO THE MEETING)
11. TO RESOLVE RE PLANNING APPLICATION WD/2023/7010/AD - LAND AT CANSIRON LANE, ASHURST WOOD, RH19 3SQ
12. CORRESPONDENCE
13. ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION BY COMMITTEE OR FULL COUNCIL

**“This meeting will be held electronically via ZOOM, and the meeting ID and password will be circulated separately to Members. The meeting is also open to public attendance (with an initial period for public questions), but for security reasons, any member of the public wishing to participate is asked to telephone or email the Parish Clerk in advance (01342 822661 or [parishclerk@forestrow.gov.uk](mailto:parishclerk@forestrow.gov.uk)) for the access codes.”**

## **Plans dealt with under delegated powers –**

for meeting 2 MAY 2023

WD/2023/0343/LB – 29 & 30 HARTFIELD ROAD, FOREST ROW  
TO REPLACE THE EXISTING WOODEN CLAPBOARD FAÇADE ON A LIKE FOR LIKE BASIS,  
REPLACING ANY BREATHER MEMBRANE, AND INSERTION OF INSULATION WITHIN THE  
CAVITY

COMMENT: No objections as long as this complies with listed building consent.

PLANNING DECISION LIST - FOR COMMITTEE 02/05/2023

| APPLICATION NO | ADDRESS   | PROPOSAL  | WEALDEN DISTRICT COUNCIL DECISION | FOREST ROW PARISH COUNCIL RESPONSE  |
|----------------|---|---|-----------------------------------|---|
| WD/2023/0433/F | CONYER LODGE, PARK ROAD, FOREST ROW                   | SINGLE STOREY SIDE EXTENSION AND ASSOCIATED EXTERNAL WORKS  | GRANTED                           | No objections to this proposal  |
| WD/2023/0479/F | FERMAIN, PRIORY ROAD, FOREST ROW                      | PROPOSED SINGLE STOREY PITCH ROOFED GARDEN ROOM WITH METAL CLADDING   | GRANTED                           | No objections to this proposal  |
| WD/2022/2789/F | BRAMBLETYE MANOR STABLES, BRAMBLETYE LANE, FOREST ROW | CONSTRUCTION OF NEW DWELLING AND ASSOCIATED STORAGE BARN  | GRANTED                           | We support this enhanced design for this dwelling   |
| 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) | REFUSED                           | <p><b>We reiterate our previous comments:</b></p> <p>My Council's observations in respect of this application are as follows:-</p> <p>We object strongly to this proposal on the following grounds:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The site is outside the development boundary.</li> <li>• The site is in AONB.</li> <li>• The site is in the 400m development exclusion zone surrounding the Ashdown Forest.</li> <li>• The increased risk of flooding.</li> <li>• The increased problems of drainage, including the proposal to pump water to neighbouring land.</li> <li>• The safety of the access.</li> <li>• It is an inappropriate development for the village.</li> <li>• The loss of trees (TPO's).</li> </ul> <p>There have been no consultations (which are a legal requirement) regarding the proposed new pinch point.</p> <p>It was also noted that the documentation contains a lot of inconsistencies especially regarding trees.</p> <p>This development would change the landscape character of the AONB and the approach to Forest Row.</p> <p>There have been incorrect claims that ESCC Highways have agreed road layout alterations – which we understand they have not.</p> |

We would also add the following: "There remains some doubt whether the required consultation with local residents has taken place"

**THIS WEEKS PLANNING  
APPLICATIONS  
WEEK ENDING 28TH  
APRIL 2023**

| Application Number & Address   | Proposals  | Date Considered by Parish Council | Last Date for Comments to WDC |
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| WD/2023/0900/F<br>29 ASHDOWN CLOSE,<br>FOREST ROW                                    | ERECTION OF A SINGLE STOREY<br>DETACHED ANNEXE   | 02/05/2023                        | 04/05/2023                    |
| WD/2021/0252/F<br>15 PARK CRESCENT,<br>FOREST ROW                                    | REPOSITIONING OF FRONT DOOR,<br>PROPOSED OPEN FRONT PORCH.<br>PARTIAL WOOD CLADDING TO FRONT<br>OF HOUSE AND A TIMBER FRAMED<br>GARDEN HOME OFFICE   | 02/05/2023                        | 09/05/2023                    |
| WD/2023/1001/LB<br>MICHAEL HALL SCHOOL,<br>PRIORY ROAD,<br>FOREST ROW                | RE-INSTATEMENT OF SNOW<br>GUARDS/TILE GUARDS TO THE<br>ENTIRE GUTTERING SYSTEM OF THE<br>BUILDING KNOWN AS THE CLOCK<br>HOUSE. THE GUARDS CAN BE RE-<br>INSTATED WITH NO DEMOLITION,<br>ALTERATION OR PENETRATION OF<br>THE FABRIC OF THE BUILDING. THE<br>BRACKETS WHICH HOLD THE GUARDS<br>IN PLACE ARE ATTACHED TO THE<br>EXISTING GUTTER SUPPORTS USING<br>THE EXISTING BOLT & NUTS. THE NEW<br>BRACKETS AND GUARDS ARE STEEL<br>AND WE WILL BE SPRAYING THEM<br>BLACK TO MATCH THE ALREADY<br>BLACK IRONWORK. | 02/05/2023                        | 09/05/2023                    |
| WD/2023/0877/F<br>ELM COTTAGE,<br>LEWES ROAD,<br>FOREST ROW                          | CHANGE OF USE GROUND FLOOR<br>FROM COMMERCIAL TO RESIDENTIAL   | 02/05/2023                        | 10/05/23                      |
| WD/2023/0981/F<br>WRETHAM HOUSE,<br>PRIORY ROAD,<br>FOREST ROW                       | REMOVAL OF EXISTING<br>CONSERVATORY AND REPLACEMENT<br>SINGLE-STOREY KITCHEN/DINING<br>ROOM EXTENSION. REBUILD THE<br>GARDEN STORE ON THE NORTHEAST<br>CORNER, FIT TWO CONSERVATION<br>ROOFLIGHTS IN ATTIC ON SOUTH<br>SIDE OF HOUSE AND INSTALL 12M2 OF<br>PHOTOVOLTAIC PANELS ON THE<br>EXISTING DETACHED GARAGE   | 02/05/2023                        | 15/05/2023                    |
| WD/2022/0826/FR<br>APPLEGARTH FLAT,<br>KIDBROOKE PARK,<br>PRIORY ROAD, FOREST<br>ROW | RETROSPECTIVE CHANGE OF USE<br>FOR THE APPLEGARTH FLAT FROM<br>EDUCATIONAL TO RESIDENTIAL  | 02/05/2023                        | 17/05/2023                    |