

**Minutes of the meeting of the Maresfield Parish Council Planning Committee held on
Monday 11th September 2017 at 7.30 pm in the Parish Office, Nutley.**

PRESENT: Cllrs. D Watson, (Chair), M Craddock, K Ogden, A Strevens, Asst Clerk C Arnold.

1. **Public Session.** Application WD/2017/1777/F was discussed. The architect stated that it had been owned by other people over the years and the current owners wanted to improve the site by building a Sussex barn style building, a similar application was granted on appeal in 2006. Cllr Craddock asked how the plot will be split. The architect stated it will be a post and rail fence. Cllr Craddock asked why a downstairs bathroom was needed in an artist's studio. Ms Chittenden responded that it was for her elderly mother with the intention to downsize. Cllr Craddock asked if it was an annexe. The architect stated it would be separated by a post and rail fence. Cllr Ogden asked about vehicle movements. The architect stated that the planners were satisfied with vehicle movements which were about 7 per day. The siting and use of caravans at Beech Hill was discussed. Mr and Mrs Douch were present. Mrs Douch produced a document which itemised the issues. This stated that 8 of the caravans were in an agricultural field but the Planning enforcement officer only mentions 4 in breach. Caravan 6 has been lived in permanently since May with a gas supply and lights and TV are on every evening. There is a pipe under our lawn which leads to a watercourse and we can smell sewage, this discharges into a watercourse onto the Ashdown Forest. We do not feel our concerns are being taken seriously by the Planning enforcement officer he informed us he expects the domestic extension to be extended but it breaches Wealden policies EN6, EN7 and EN27. Cllr Craddock noted that the pipe would require Environment Agency approval and they should be informed. He advised Mrs Douch it was essential that she and her neighbours made a complaint of this and write to WDC, EA and the Local Government Ombudsman. Cllr Watson stated he noted her concerns and consideration should be given to writing to the Head of planning, the Environment Agency, the pipe may also be a building control matter and with a copy to District Cllr Galley.
2. **Apologies for absence.** Cllr's G Hallin, R Taylor
3. **Declarations of interest.**
4. **Amended Applications:-** None.

5. New Applications:-

5.1 Application No. WD/2017/1777/F

Expiry date for comments: 12 September 2017

Location: WOODLANDS FARM, NURSERY LANE, FAIRWARP, TN22 3BB

Description: DEMOLITION OF EXISTING AGRICULTURAL SHED AND LICENSED REPAIR YARD, WITH ERECTION OF NEW DWELLING IN THE STYLE OF A SUSSEX BARN, DEMOLITION OF EXISTING STABLES AND ERECTION OF NEW STABLES, ERECTION OF DETACHED GARAGES.

Applicant: Mrs Sonia Chittenden

Link to documents on web: <http://www.planning.wealden.gov.uk/plandisp.aspx?recno=139245>

It was resolved to recommend approval

6. **Applications for Certificates of Lawful Development** – None.
7. **Deferred applications** – None.
8. **Minutes of previous meetings – 21st August 2017: -**
 1. Adoption. Adopted
 2. Matters arising from these Minutes not elsewhere on the Agenda. Amendment of name from Cllr Ogden to Cllr Taylor "line 9".
9. **Decision Notices:-**
 1. **Permissions granted by WDC:-**
 - 9.1.1 **Application No. WD/2017/1524/F**
REPLACEMENT OF EXISTING FULLY GLAZED CONSERVATORY AND EXTENSION/REMODELLING OF ENTRANCE INCLUDING INTERNAL REMODELLING, REPLACEMENT ROOF, WINDOWS AND ALTERATIONS TO THE FACADES OF FERNDALE.

FERNDALE, HORNEY COMMON ROAD, MARESFIELD, TN22 3ED

9.2. **Permissions refused by WDC** – None.

9.3. **Applications withdrawn:-**

9.3.1 **Application No. WD/2017/1149/MAJ**

REVISIONS TO AN EXISTING PERMISSION FOR FOUR B1 LIGHT INDUSTRIAL AND OFFICE UNITS, TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL GROSS INTERNAL FLOOR AREA AND MINIMUM REQUIRED FLOOR TO CEILING HEIGHTS AT GROUND AND FIRST FLOOR, INCLUDING AMENDMENTS TO EXTERNAL FENESTRATION AND LANDSCAPE DESIGN AND THE INSTALLATION OF AN EXTERNAL LIQUID NITROGEN TANK.

PLOT 10 ASHDOWN BUSINESS PARK, A272, MARESFIELD, TN22 2HX

All the decisions above were noted by the committee.

10. **Appeals** - None.

11. **Enforcement Notices (to note)** – None.

12. **Correspondence** – Mr & Mrs Douch re. siting and use of caravans at Beech Hill, Crowborough Road.

Discussed in the Public session

13. **Development within and around the Ashdown Forest – Draft Policy for Council.** This item should remain on the Committee's Agenda until the WDC Local Plan and related policies are finalised and the Parish Council's Neighbourhood Development Plan has been completed.

14. **Date of next meeting** – Monday 2nd October 2017.

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 20:29