

ICKLESHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Draft Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held at 6.15 p.m. on Monday 26th March 2018 at the Winchelsea Court Hall

Present: Councillors D Smedley, Mrs Stanford, P Turner, S Turner and N Warren.

In Attendance: Jocelyn Cannings (Deputy Clerk). Members of the public.

1 The Chairman to invite members of the public to speak on any planning matters they wish to raise. Mrs Rodley, Chair of the Winchelsea Conservation Society, spoke about agenda item 5(d) saying that the proposal had taken a long time but development of the site is welcome and the town needs small houses. However, if permission is granted, she would like to see strict stipulations made by Rother relating to the appearance of the buildings (i.e.. hanging tiles) and site access, as well as consideration for Friars Road and times when heavy plant can access the site.

2 To record any apologies for absence. Apologies received from Cllr Ms Austen and Mrs Lyward.

3 To receive any declarations of interest.

To receive any disclosure by members of personal interests in matters on the agenda, the nature of any interest and whether the member regards the interest as prejudicial under the terms of the Code of Conduct. Members are reminded of the need to repeat their declaration immediately prior to commencement of the item in question. Members should ask the Clerk for a Declaration of Interests form which must be completed and returned to the Clerk before the item in question is discussed. There were none.

4 To approve the minutes of the previous meeting of the 12th March 2018 – approved.

It was agreed to bring forward item 5(d).

5 To consider applications referred by Rother District Council since the previous meeting.

a) RR/2018/677/P Greyfriars, Friars Road, Winchelsea

Proposed replacement of existing dwelling and outbuildings on site with a terrace of 4 No. 2 bedroom, 2-storey dwellings to include: retention and modification of existing vehicular access, creation of communal car parking (8 spaces) to rear of site and dedicated bin and cycle storage.

Three letters from residents had been passed to a committee member who read them out. These would be forwarded to RDC, copied to ESCC Cllr Glazier and RDC Cllrs Mrs Hart and Osborne.

The development was welcomed with an archaeological investigation of the site supported but various concerns were raised, in particular the impact of increased traffic in Friars Road during construction and its effect on residents, school staff and children. An associated concern is the current fragile condition of the sewers and drainage in the road with potential for damage by heavy construction vehicles.

The committee requests that the application is considered by Rother's Planning Committee. IPC's Rother councillors to be asked to call the application in.

b) RR/2018/369/L Old Malt House, The Strand, Winchelsea

Repair defective rendering at East wall and re-felt adjacent modern flat roof.

Support approval.

c) RR/2018/370/L Old Malt House, The Strand, Winchelsea

External and internal alterations including cupboards, post prop to beam, replacement doors and windows, door canopy and wood burning stove (retrospective).

Support approval.

d) RR/2017/2891/P Old Malt House, The Strand, Winchelsea

Realignment of front fence to improve westward visibility and construction of front and rear west boundary fences.

Support approval.

e) RR/2018/753/P Bidmead, Willow Lane, Winchelsea Beach

Proposed new masonry chimney and installation of woodburner.

Support approval.

6 Fly Posting/tipping and updates.

a) To report any new fly or post tipping incidents in the parish.

(i) Cllr Warren reported rubbish left on a farm gate. This had been reported to RDC.

(ii) Cllr S Turner reported builders rubbish which had removed.

(iii) The Deputy Clerk reported an email and photo from a resident showing large catering oil cans dumped in Panell Lane. This had been reported to RDC.

b) Fly tipping on the verge next to the recycling bins in Winchelsea. Enforcement complain form submitted to RDC. The Enforcement Officer spoke to committee member for further information and emphasised that unless photos or evidence of the person concerned is provided, no action could be taken. To be removed from agenda.

7 Any late advised matters and update on those raised at last meeting

- a) Pebbles, 3 Sea Road, Winchelsea. Response to retrospective application submitted. Waiting RDC decision. Deputy Clerk contacted RDC to report a resident's letter not on their website. RDC subsequently found letter and advised would be displayed. Deputy Clerk also contacted Southern Water who replied that they had already been in touch with RDC. Email from SW circulated. Noted. Waiting decision on application.
- b) Long Barn, Smeatons Lane. Enforcement complaint registered. Waiting for Officer to investigate. Ongoing monitoring. Noted.
- c) Cllr Mrs Lyward reported having contacted Cllr Glazier on behalf of a local landowner complaining about lack of progress by Rother on a planning application. She has subsequently reported that Cllr Glazier met with the landowner and referred the matter to Rother Councillors. Planning permission has now been granted. Noted. To be removed from agenda.
- d) Ferryfields. Complaints made to RDC Planning and Environmental Health. Response from Planning Officer who will discuss the matter with the Enforcement Officer. Awaiting reply from EH. Cllr. Smedley had received a further letter from a resident to say the barn was now complete and occupied. He asked if we had heard from RDC. The Deputy Clerk to chase.

8 Any other business.

- a) Decisions notified by RDC since previous meeting. To be tabled. There were none.
- b) Enforcement matters notified by RDC since previous meeting. Verbal update given.
- c) Subsequent to Highways operatives asking a resident to cut back a noted tree in the village, a letter had been sent to ESCC Highways asking if they could contact the parish council on such issues. Reply awaited. Noted.

9 Consultation on Rye Neighbourhood Plan. Deferred from previous meeting. To consider a response, in particular to sections as identified at the previous meeting, involving Rye Harbour. The response were to be as follows:

- a) Community Aspiration 18 (f). A domestic bulk waste facility for recycling sited in Rye Harbour would not be supported due to impact on the SSSI and an increase in the volume of traffic.
- b) Out of Town Bulk Delivery Handling. Any increase of traffic on an already busy road in Rye Harbour is of concern, particularly large supply vehicles. The new Discovery Centre will bring additional traffic to the village; any further increase will worsen traffic congestion in what is effectively a cul de sac and at the junction with the A259 at the top of Harbour Road.
- c) No consultation with the Parish Council and residents of Rye Harbour took place prior to submission of the Neighbourhood Plan for public consultation. It is noted that Rye Harbour appears to be considered 'a satellite' of Rye, and not an entity in its own right. The Parish Council would welcome discussion to address its concerns.

10 Date and venue of the next meeting. The next meeting was confirmed as Monday 9th April 2018 at the New Hall, Winchelsea, commencing at 6.15pm.

Meeting closed at 7.05pm