

Chiddingly Parish Council
Planning Committee Minutes
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Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 27th April 2021 via Zoom conferencing.

Present: Cllr Tolhurst (Chairman), Cllr Richards, Cllr Mikelis, Cllr Luke, Cllr Newham and Julie O'Donnell (Clerk)

2 members of the public were present at the start of the meeting and two members of the public joined later.

Minutes

1. Apologies and Reasons for absence
Apologies received from Cllr Welsh and Cllr Allan
2. The Chairman will invite Councillors to declare any interest they may have in the following agenda items.
Cllr Mikelis declared a personal interest in agenda item 5.3 as he lives in a neighbouring property.
3. Minutes of 23rd March 2021 Planning Committee Meeting to be agreed and signed as a true record.

The draft minutes of the Planning Meeting held on the 23rd March 2021 were approved by all and will be signed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

4. Clerk and Councillor reports arising from the minutes of 23rd March 2021 not covered elsewhere in the agenda.
There was nothing to report on this occasion.

The meeting was suspended to allow members of the public to speak.

The first would like to speak regarding WD/2020/2547/FR, he is a direct neighbour and strongly objects to this application. The change of use is not acceptable, this brings a larger workforce, more vehicle movements, and an increase in hazards for the residents and users of the bridleway, including damage to property. Young children horse ride this bridleway along with walkers, it is a danger to them to have such large vehicles frequently using this narrow track.. Dern Lane is a narrow country lane and not suitable for HGV.

A second member of public wished to strongly object to this application. There are manufacturing units along the A22 corridor suitable for this type of business. The site at Stream

Farm is not an acceptable site. There are 8 residential properties on the site. The noise is unacceptable along with the fumes from the factory.

A third member of public agreed with all the comments previously made and wanted to add that the factory is often still in use until gone 7pm which is outside of the hours of operation.

Cllr Tolhurst asked if anyone objected to discussing the application WD/2020/2547/FR first rather than the running order of the agenda. There were no objections.

5. Planning applications for consideration:

5.1. Application: [WD/2020/2547/FR](#)

Location: Stream Farm, CHIDDINGLY, BN8 6HG

Description: Part retrospective application for the change of use for the manufacturing of kitchen and related products and external duct.

Chiddingly Parish Council response: The council wish to restate their previous comments. We wish to strongly object again to this application. We feel that Wealden Planning have failed to act on its previous promise to act strongly should conditions not be met. The site is not suitable for this development. This a rural residential area with 8 separate dwellings, 4 of which are Listed. There is a designated bridleway and footpath through Stream Farm and the regular flow of HGV is dangerous and not acceptable. Also, Dern Lane is a narrow country road and is not suitable for HGV. We ask that ESCC Highways is contacted to make comment on this application. We also ask that Wealden District Council issue a stop notice to enforce the hours of operation.

The council unanimously object to this application.

5.2. Application: [WD/2021/0662/F](#)

Location: Hanks Barn, Golden Cross, BN27 4AH

Description: Proposed extension to dwelling including a balcony at first floor level. Change of use of land to residential to be enclosed with chestnut fencing and native hedging.

Chiddingly Parish Council response: The parish council have no objection to this application but are disappointed that the full documentation has not been added to Wealden's planning portal.

5.3. Application: [WD/2021/0547/LBR](#)

Location: Twin Oast, Dern Lane, CHIDDINGLY, BN8 6HG

Description: Retrospective planning for re-pointing works

Chiddingly Parish Council response: The parish council supports this retrospective planning application if the correct mortar specified by the Conservation Officer has been used.

5.4. Application: [WD/2021/0502/F](#)

Location: The Old Forge, Muddles Green, CHIDDINGLY, BN8 6HW

Description: Demolition of existing detached single storey double garage and erection of a traditional oak framed detached single storey, double garage.

Chiddingly Parish Council response: The parish council has no objection to this application and fully support it as an improvement to the site.

6. Planning applications received after the publication date of the agenda for consideration.

7. Planning applications already considered via email consultation due to the deadline set by Wealden District Council, and the meeting schedule of Chiddingly Parish Council:

8. Planning & Enforcement Updates, for information only:

8.1. Application No. WD/2021/0243/F

Location: Jasmine Windmill, Chalvington Road, Golden Cross, CHIDDINGLY, BN27 3SS

Description: Demolish conservatory, replace and raise pitched roof, convert loft and outbuilding/garage with new link to dwelling. Associated hard/soft landscaping. Installation of solar pv panels to roof, domestic wind turbine and wood burner flue. Upgrading all existing fenestration and rainwater goods

WDC: Application Withdrawn

8.2. Application No. WD/2020/0960/F

Location: Prices Farm, Swansbrook Lane, Gun Hill, CHIDDINGLY, TN21 0LB Description: proposed ground floor internal redesign, facade alterations and all associated works to be an annexe to the main property (amendment of previously approved application WD/2017/0434/F AND WD/2017/0435/LB)

WDC: Application approved

8.3. Application No. WD/2020/0554/FR

Location: 2 Stream Cottages, Dern Lane, CHIDDINGLY, BN8 6HG

Description: Retrospective application to regularise new design to garage, with drive and hardstanding, and change of use of land to residential, to remain as approved under previous application WD/2018/0741/F.

WDC: Application approved

8.4. Application No. WD/2020/0400/FR

Location: 2 Stream Cottages, Dern Lane, CHIDDINGLY, BN8 6HG

Description: Retrospective application for alterations to existing garage to form residential annexe.

WDC: Application approved

8.5. Application No. WD/2021/0155/F

Location: Thunders Hill View, Thunders Hill, CHIDDINGLY, BN27 4AE

Description: single storey extension

WDC: Application approved

8.6. Application No. WD/2020/1456/F

Location: Place Corner Cottage, The Street, CHIDDINGLY, BN8 6HT

Description: A two-storey side extension to existing dwelling to provide additional bedroom and living accommodation and the addition of a rear extension to provide bathroom and utility room.

WDC: Application approved

9. Planning Parish Clusters and the publication of SHELAA – any updates

Cllr Tolhurst has nothing new to report. He has a cluster meeting with Wealden Planning next month and asked if anyone had any questions or points to raise. There were no questions from the council.

Meeting closed 20:22

- *Next parish council and planning meeting is 4th May 2021 at 7.30 to be held via Zoom conferencing.*