

☞Rotherfield Parish Council☞

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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PLANNING & BUILDING COMMITTEE HELD AT 19:30 ON TUESDAY 29th JUNE 2010 IN ROTHERFIELD VILLAGE HALL

PRESENT: Cllr. N. Wickenden (Vice Chairman) Cllr. Mrs. P. Halse - Adamson
Cllr. J. Bowerman Cllr. R. Jaques
Cllr. C. Clibbens Cllr. L. Pike

No members of the public attended.

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (LGA 1972 s 85).** Apologies were received and accepted for Cllr. D Harman, Cllr. D. Clark, Cllr. Miss N. Bolton, Cllr. R. Harris and Cllr. J. Padfield
2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.** None.
3. **CONFIRMATION OF NEW MEMBERS TO THE COMMITTEE.** Cllrs. Mrs. R. Williams and Miss N. Bolton have indicated their willingness to serve on this Committee and it was **RESOLVED** that they be appointed as members of it.
4. **RECEIVE MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 8th JUNE 2010 & MATTERS ARISING FROM THESE MINUTES.**
It was **AGREED** that these minutes be adopted and the Chairman signed them. There were no matters arising.
5. **CONSIDER AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND RELATED MATTERS.**
 - a) **WD/2010/0736/F** Holewood Farm, Gillridge Lane, London Road, Crowborough, TN6 1UR
Construction of fishing lake. Amended plan and additional information in support of application. Amended red site area date stamped 17 June 2010. Indicative parking, Construction Environmental plan. Response to WDC letter 20 May 2010 and additional comments for design and access statement date stamped 11 June 2010. Application now made complete.
The Parish Council recommends that this application be **REFUSED** and that a full environmental impact report is undertaken before progressing, including flora and fauna within the area of the development.
 - b) **WD/2010/0949/F** South Gate, Rotherfield Hall Estate, Treblers Road, Rotherfield, TN6 3RP
Erection of security fencing either side of South Gate to Rotherfield Hall Estate.
The Parish Council recommends that this application be **REFUSED** on the grounds that the design is inappropriate for a rural area within an AONB.
 - c) **WD/2010/1252/F** Lavender Cottage, Yew Tree Lane, Rotherfield, TN6 3QP
Two storey rear extension and alteration to the main roof to enlarge bedroom.
The Parish Council recommends that this application be **APPROVED** as it will enhance the property.
 - d) **WD/2010/1298/F** The Rocks House, Stone Cross, Crowborough, TN6 3SJ
Construction of a single storey side extension and a single storey Oak framed double garage.
The Parish Council recommends that this application be **APPROVED** as it is a minor development on a large property to the improve the facilities.
 - e) **WD/2010/1335/F** Former stables, Ruggles Farm, Bicycle Arms Road, Rotherfield, TN6 3QE.
Conversion of a disused former stable into a one bedroom dwelling.
The Parish Council recommends that this application be **REFUSED** on the grounds it is a new development outside the housing framework and within the AONB.
 - f) **Receive information from Sports Club regarding proposed extension to pavillion and consider request for an indication of the Council's support for this prior to formal application to WDC.**
The Club have advised Clerk that these works will not lead to the removal of the Portakabin currently on the site. It is considered that the Council wish to support the Club and would support an application for the work described. However they would like to see plans for the extension of the Clubhouse to permit removal of the Portakabin, temporary planning permission for which expires in March 2012. **RESOLVED** Clerk to write to Club accordingly.

WD/2010/1162/F Little Oast House, Eridge Lane, Rotherfield, TN6 3JU
Amended plan – redesign of extension and deletion of conservatory element. Drawing No. 06A date stamped 25 June 2010.

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This was received by post on Saturday 26th and hence too late to be included on the agenda. Clerk has contacted WDC to request that observations deadline be extended from 9 July so that the application may be properly considered at the 20th July Planning meeting and also that in future warning is given of planning papers that are to be sent other than by the Courier. They have advised that is not possible as the 8 week expiry date is on July 14th. The Parish Council recommends that the application be APPROVED as the amended plans are more in keeping with the original purpose of the building.

6. NOTICES OF DECISION RECEIVED FROM DISTRICT COUNCIL.

APPROVED

- **TM/2010/0131/TPO** Deadwood two Oak trees within tree preservation order, (Rotherfield) NO9, 1999. Oaklee, Douglas Road, Town Row, Rotherfield, TN6 3QT
- **TM/2010/0154/TCA** One Cedar – remove large broken branches from crown. Shorten back branches. Remove major deadwood. Lightly thin crown. Remove Ivy, Subject to regulations, designated Rotherfield Conservation Area November 1976/March 1997. Evolene, Church Road, Rotherfield, TN6 3LG

REFUSED None.

7. **ENFORCEMENT MATTERS.** None.

8. **PLANNING CORRESPONDENCE.** None.

9. URGENT ISSUES FOR NOTING OR INCLUSION ON FUTURE AGENDA.

- Part night lighting. Sgt. Etherington has now received the Crime analysis for the village which shows that the proposed reduction should have no effect. He hopes to give a summary of the analysis at the next Council Meeting. It was agreed to leave the lamp at the junction with Mayfield Road (column 90) and also the one on the path to the Surgery (column 83) out of the scheme.
- Clerk has reported Castle Hill Triangle to ESCC as being overgrown; they have cut it but left the area round the fingerpost and fence. Chairman has now cut most of the remainder; Clerk is to write to ESCC asking them to cut whole area in future as it restricts visibility if overgrown.
- Parish Newsletter has now been sent to all households and appears to be well received. Clerk is to send a copy to St Chéron and give copies to the library.
- Clerk confirmed that dislodged bus stop posts at Mark Cross and Town Row, together with two dislodged road signs at Mark Cross, have all been reported to Highways.
- Chairman reported that some of the signs in the recreation ground have been torn off and one of the “no dogs” signs is missing. He has straightened and replaced the damaged signs, Clerk to check with Cllr. Prince re: missing sign as he may have it for repair.
- Clerk to check position regarding vehicle which appears to have been dumped in Mark Cross car park.
- Chairman advised of a potential issue with pre school new build, 3.7m width clear access is required by Fire Brigade which could mean loss of the “echelon” parking spaces by the Hall. Chairman has advised ESCC that they would be expected to provide replacement spaces; meeting confirmed that this would be the wish of the Council. CLERK add to agenda of July meeting for discussion by which time a further site progress meeting will have taken place.
- Cllr. Bowerman has investigated soil at St Denys’, considers sufficient soil there for grave levelling if some the stone waste is used to infill the deeper holes. Clerk to liaise with Tollwood regarding the work.
- Issue of stained glass panel donated by St Chéron was also discussed, believed that this was donated to St Peter’s Church by them. It is suggested that this issue should be discussed by the Church and Twinning Association and possibly St Denys’ Church if there is no space to display it elsewhere.
- WDALC AGM details are to be passed to Cllr. Bolton who has offered to help out as representative whilst Cllr. Harman is unwell.

10. DATES FOR NEXT MEETINGS.

Planning and Building Committee meeting Tuesday July 20th at Rotherfield Village Hall.

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 20:30.

PUBLIC FORUM. None.

.....Signed.....Date.

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