

HENFIELD PARISH COUNCIL
PLANS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

**Meeting of the Plans Advisory Committee
held on Thursday 16th July 2020 at 12.30pm via Zoom conferencing.**

Present: Cllrs N Stevens (Chairman), G Perry, A Rickard and M Eastwood.

In attendance: Mrs R Grantham (Administrator).

MINUTES

1. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

Cllr Rickard declared a personal interest in DC/20/1170 as he is a resident of Blackgate Lane.

Action Point: Cllr Rickard to attend the Parish Office to sign the Register of Members Interests when it re-opens.

2. APOLOGIES

Cllr J Potts and A Donoghue.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 2nd JULY 2020

Approved, to be signed by the Chairman at a later date in the Parish Office.

4. MATTERS ARISING

Cllr Eastwood reported that he has had a discussion with the owner of Rye Farm and discussed at length the proposals to preserve wildlife in the area around the River Adur. The owner was keen to demonstrate that she is already working with the Sussex Wildlife Trust on conservation projects and by developing farm buildings is aiming to release capital to allow the farm to continue operating. Cllr Eastwood confirmed that the owner is happy to meet the Parish Council to discuss her plans and is keen to work together on an environment piece. The Chairman confirmed that as the development has Q status it ought to have been approved by this Committee.

Cllr Shaw asked whether the response to the resident regarding the Station Stores development had been sent on to the concerned resident by the Clerk.

Action Point: The Administrator to check whether the response has been sent.

Action Point: If the response has not been sent, Cllr Shaw to circulate the response again to committee members and if approved for the Administrator to send to the resident on the Clerk's behalf.

The Chairman adjourned the meeting.

OPEN FORUM

There were no members of the public present at the meeting.

The Chairman reconvened the meeting.

5. CONSULTATION ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS

DC/20/1170

Fell 3 x Lombardy Poplars and Surgery to 3 x Lombardy Poplars (Adj to Wor Yem) (Works to Trees in a Conservation Area).

Blackgate Lane, Henfield

Mr A Middleton

No objection, 5 in favour and 1 abstention.

DC/20/1172
Surgery to 1 x Turkey Oak
Meadow View, 7 Chestnut End, Henfield
Mr P Gumbrell
No objection, all agreed.

Action Point: The Administrator to inform the Chairman of the Joint Commons Committee of the application.

DC/20/1252
Erection of a single storey front extension and raised roof. Conversion of loft to habitable living space (Householder Application)
3 Cutlers Croft, Nep Town Road, Henfield
Mrs C Hancock
No objection, all agreed. Subject to Listed Buildings Officers consent and the development remaining ancillary to the main building.

DC/20/1253
Erection of a single storey front extension and raised roof. Conversion of loft to habitable living space (Listed Building Consent)
3 Cutlers Croft, Nep Town Road, Henfield
Mrs C Hancock
No objection, all agreed. Subject to Listed Buildings Officer's consent and the development remaining ancillary to the main building.

6. APPEALS

The committee noted the appeal by Rushmead House, DC/20/0743 and declined to comment further.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

Cllr Eastwood confirmed that he has had an acknowledgement from Claire Vickers at Horsham District Council (HDC) regarding the response to the Local Plan. He has also seen a letter from local MP Andrew Griffiths to Robert Jenrick supporting a postal referendum for the Neighbourhood Plan. Following discussion, it was agreed to forward this letter to Barbara Childs at HDC. Cllr Eastwood also commented that the Campaign to Protect Rural Henfield (CPRH) had reported that Andrew Griffiths has also stated that several areas including Henfield are being targeted by developers for inappropriate and unsustainable development, it was also agreed to forward this to Barbara Childs.

Action Point: Cllr Eastwood to forward the correspondence from Andrew Griffiths to Robert Jenrick and the CPRH report to Barbara Childs at HDC.

The scoping report on Rampion 2 was circulated to the Committee prior to the meeting. The Chairman also circulated a summary of the document. He confirmed that it is only the cable corridor that is likely to potentially affect Henfield, however the 5km radius for the sub-station could encroach as far as Furners Lane and Wantley Field, although he feels this is more likely to be situated adjacent to the existing sub-station at Bolney. He also commented that the map of Henfield supplied in the report did not include Parsonage Farm, an area that has been included for development in the Neighbourhood Plan and also has an underground gas pipeline running through it. Cllr Eastwood suggested also adding a comment regarding the potential impact on the River Adur.

Action Point: The Chairman to draft a response to the Rampion 2 scoping report for sending on by the Clerk.

8. ANY OTHER URGENT MATTERS TO BE RAISED BY COUNCILLORS

There were no other urgent matters to be raised.

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday 6th August 2020 at 12.30pm via Zoom conferencing.

The Committee agreed to return to 7pm meetings in September.

Meeting Closed at 1.02pm