

HENFIELD PARISH COUNCIL
PLANS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

**Meeting of the Plans Advisory Committee held on Thursday
18th August 2022 at 7:00pm in the Henfield Hall.**

Present: Cllrs R Shaw (Chairman), M Eastwood, E Goodyear, D Grossmith, D Jemmett and N Stevens.

In Attendance: Mrs B Samrah (Parish Administrator).

MINUTES

1. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

There were none.

2. APOLOGIES

Were received from Cllr Perry.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 4th AUGUST 2022

Theses were approved and signed by the Chairman.

4. MATTERS ARISING

The Chairman confirmed that the submission had been made to the Planning Inspectorate in connection with the Land at Sandpit Lane (Appeal Reference – APP/Z3825/W/22/329552) he also confirmed that the Clerk had the necessary information about Cllr Eastwood's analysis of planning applications ready for the next Parish Council Meeting.

The Chairman adjourned the meeting.

OPEN FORUM

There were no members of the public present.

The Chairman reconvened the meeting.

5. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were none.

6. CONSULTATION ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS

DC/22/0923

Truffles High Street Henfield West Sussex BN5 9DA

Surgery to 1 x Sycamore

Mrs Tracy Burnett

No Objection – All agreed provided that a competent tree surgeon is appointed to carry out the work. This Committee did question whether this tree should be under a TPO?

DC/22/1459

Martyn Lodge Church Street Henfield West Sussex BN5 9NR

Fell 1x Sycamore, 2x Conifer hedge, and Surgery to 1x Horse Chestnut (Works to trees in a Conservation Area)

Mr Peter Tong

No Objection – All agreed provided that the work is carried out by a competent Tree Surgeon.

DC/22/1515

Solva Blackgate Lane Henfield West Sussex BN5 9HA

Creation of a rear dormer to provide additional accommodation.

Mr Paul Ford

No Objection – All Agreed.

DC/22/1516

Sidleigh House Blackgate Lane Henfield West Sussex BN5 9HA

Fell 1 x Monkey Puzzle (Work to Trees in Conservation Area).

Mrs Sue Rickard

Objection – All agreed. The committee felt that as the Monkey Puzzle tree is a seriously endangered species in its native land of Chile, and because of this it is still looked upon as endangered in the UK it would not be appropriate to fell the tree whilst it is a relatively young specimen, in excellent health, beautiful in shape and interest and it does not appear to be causing a problem to the property. It was felt that the many seed cones (which only occur after the tree is at least 30 years old) should be harvested and attempts made to grow more of these trees. (The Parish Council would be willing to assist with this.) However, at some stage in the future it will be of a height and size to overpower its present position, and/or cause problems to the property but there is no evidence that this stage has yet been reached.

7. APPEALS

There were none.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

- 1 SDNP Local Plan Review – Call for Sites and Local Green Space nominations – This was noted.
- 2 South Downs Planning Newsletter - Summer edition – This was noted.
- 3 Compliance Complaint Mr Tingey - Agricultural Field, West End Lane – The Committee felt that it would be helpful if Cllrs Morgan and Potts were to speak with Mr Leet at HDC about this matter.

9. ANY OTHER URGENT MATTERS TO BE RAISED BY COUNCILLORS

Cllr Grossmith mentioned about the untidy and ugly wall along the passageway between the High Street and the Library Car park and it was agreed that he and Cllr Eastwood would speak with the owner of the property and ask whether its appearance could be improved.

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

7pm on 1st September 2022 in the Henfield Hall

The Meeting closed at 7.25pm