

**HENFIELD PARISH COUNCIL**  
**PLANS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**Meeting of the Plans Advisory Committee held on  
Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2023 at 7:00pm in the Henfield Hall.**

**Present:** Cllrs R Shaw (Chairman), M Eastwood, E Goodyear, D Grossmith, D Jemmett and G Perry.

**In Attendance:** Mrs B Samrah (Parish Administrator - PA).

**MINUTES**

**1. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS**

There were none.

**2. APOLOGIES**

Were received from Cllr N Stevens.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 16<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2023**

These were approved and signed and dated by the Chairman.

**4. MATTERS ARISING**

Cllr Shaw's attendance at HDC's Council Meeting on 22<sup>nd</sup> February – The Chairman and Cllr Jemmett attended the Horsham District Council meeting and the Chairman was able to put his question to the Council, only members of the cabinet were able to answer.

The Chairman had also agreed to send a letter to Andrew Griffith but he felt it was now unnecessary as events have over taken. It was suggested that Andrew Griffith was aware that HDC were out of step with Government policy. Cllr Eastwood as HALC Chairman had already had correspondence with other councillors and officers at HDC and would feedback when he has had a chance to review all the information he had received on the Local Plan. The Committee agreed that it would be best to leave the letter for the time being.

*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/22/1605

6 Deer Park Henfield West Sussex BN5 9JQ

Erection of a first floor side extension over existing garage. Change of external cladding from timber to tile hanging.

Mr L Stepney

**No Objection – All Agreed.**

DC/22/1911

Pear Tree Farm Furners Lane Woodmancote Henfield West Sussex BN5 9HX

Change of use to ancillary residential and the erection of a detached double garage with first floor home office.

Mr S Tingey

**No Objection – All Agreed. This Committee stressed that this building must remain ancillary to the main building given that it is outside the Built-Up Area Boundary and in the Countryside.**

DC/22/2021

Adensfield Upper Station Road Henfield West Sussex BN5 9PJ

Removal of rear conservatory. Erection of a first-floor side extension and single storey rear extension.

Mr Eely

**Objection – All Agreed. The Committee felt that this new design is not sufficiently different from the original. This Committee deems that this is contrary to HDPF policy numbers 33.2 as there is loss of amenity to the neighbouring property and the design is not sensitive to surrounding buildings. 33.3 as the scale and massing and appearance of the proposal is out of keeping and unsympathetic with the built surroundings.**

DC/23/0143

Budgens High Street Henfield West Sussex BN5 9DB

Installation of 2x externally illuminated fascia signs, 2x externally-illuminated projecting signs, and 2x internally applied non-illuminated vinyl signs.

Sainsbury's Supermarkets Ltd

**No Objection – All Agreed.**

DC/23/0198

Effingham Wheatsheaf Road Henfield West Sussex BN5 9AT

Removal of existing conservatory and erection of a two-storey side extension.

Mr and Mrs N Goodridge

**No Objection – All Agreed.**

## **7. APPEALS**

Planning Inspectorate Reference: APP/Z3825/D/23/3314344 (HDC Ref: DC/22/1515) - Attached

Solva Blackgate Lane Henfield West Sussex BN5 9HA

Creation of a rear dormer to provide additional accommodation.

Mr Paul Ford

As this appeal is proceeding under the Householder Appeals Service there is no opportunity to submit further comments – This was noted.

Planning Inspectorate Reference: APP/Z3825/W/22/3304953 HDC Ref: DC/22/0446

Annexe East House Henfield Common South Henfield West Sussex BN5 9RS

Mr M Gunn

Erection of side and front extensions and alteration of roof including the insertion of dormer windows and a rooflight to the annexe at East House and use as an independent dwelling (removal of condition 2 of application HF/97/85). – It was agreed that a response in support of HDC would be sent from PAC through the Parish Office. It was agreed that PA would prepare for agreement by the Chairman.

## **8. CORRESPONDENCE**

- 1 HDC weekly list of compliance cases received 6-12 February 2023 – This was noted
- 2 WSALC Planning Consultancy Proposal – This was noted
- 3 CPRE – Wake up Sussex – Have your say in Pivotal Consultation – This was noted.
- 4 HDC response to Levelling-up and Regeneration Bill: Reforms to National Planning Policy – It was agreed that the Chairman would respond online to this and reference the WSALC response.
- 5 Request to build homes on Rothery Field – Whitehall Homes –It was agreed that the Chairman would prepare a response to be sent from the Parish Council stressing that it is a playing field owned by a Charitable Trust.

## **9. ANNUAL REPORT**

There was nothing further to report.

## **10. ANY OTHER URGENT MATTERS TO BE RAISED BY COUNCILLORS**

Cllr Perry went to have a look at the hedge that has been removed in Furners Lane, she had been in contact with HDC Tree Officer and he confirmed that he had not received any applications for hedge removal. Permission was needed for any hedgerows of over 30 meters in length. She also confirmed that much scrubland has been cleared near the pond. Cllr Eastwood confirmed that a lot of work had been carried out in the area from Furners Lane to the rear of Swains. It was agreed that a post on social media about the rules on hedgerows should be reiterated so that residents were aware.

## **11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

7pm on 16<sup>th</sup> March 2023 in the Henfield Hall.

The Meeting closed at 8.00pm.