

Wisborough Green Parish Council

Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting

Date: Tuesday 7th July 2020

Present: Mr P Drummond (PD), Mr A Jackson (Planning Committee Chairman), Mr S Rollinson (SR), Mr M Watson (MW)

Apologies: Mr M Newell (MN), Mr H True (HT)

Held in: Due to Coronavirus, held virtually via Zoom

In Attendance: Mrs L Davies (Parish Clerk)

Members of Public: One

The Chairman opened the meeting at 8.00 pm.

- Apologies for Absence:
Apologies were received and accepted from Mr Newell and Mr True.
- Declaration of Members' Interests:
PD advised that he had viewed 5 Wisborough Gardens when it was on the market for a family member; they had missed out on the purchase.
- Public Participation:
There were no questions.
- New Planning Applications:
The following applications were reviewed and discussed.

Application Number and Case Officer	Application Details
WR/20/00261/DOM Case Officer: Rebecca Perris	Mr J Cockram Naldretts Farm Durbans Road Wisborough Green Change of use of existing link structure (part) to create an entrance hall/lobby incorporating a cloak room. The Parish Council had no objection to this application, but in view of its support of dark sky policies and initiatives, requested that automatic blinds or glazing film be installed on the roof lights to prevent the egress of light at night.

<p>WR/20/01488/LBC Case Officer: Rebecca Perris</p>	<p>Mr J Cockram Naldretts Farm Durbans Road Wisborough Green Billingshurst Change of use of existing link structure (part) to create an entrance hall/lobby incorporating a cloak room.</p> <p>Comment as above.</p>
<p>WR/20/01255/DOM Case Officer: Sam Muir</p>	<p>Mr Martin Arlett Park Lodge Kirdford Road Wisborough Green RH14 0DB Ground and first floor side and rear extensions with new wraparound veranda to two sides at ground floor level together with relocation of the front door on the main elevation. Works to also include changes to cladding.</p> <p>Although the Parish Council had no objection to the concept of extension, members objected to this application for the following reasons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overall bulk, particularly in relation to the width of the plot. • The choice of materials was a substantial change of character in a sensitive position in the Conservation Area with neighbouring Listed properties, contrary to Neighbourhood Plan Policy DS3. Although black painted board was traditional in Sussex, the inclusion of a zinc canopy was out of character for the Conservation Area (reference Village Design Guide 2017).
<p>WR/20/00690/DOM Case Officer: Rebecca Perris</p>	<p>Mr D Vickery 5 Wisborough Gardens Wisborough Green Billingshurst Extension and remodelling of existing property incorporating adjacent garage as a conversion into accommodation to the main house.</p> <p>The Parish Council had no objection to this application.</p>
<p>WR/20/01542/PA1A Case Officer: Oliver Naish</p>	<p>Mr Alexander Harvey 4 Wyatt Close Wisborough Green Single storey extension to the rear (a) rear extension - 4m (b) maximum height - 3.21m (c) height of eaves - 3.m.</p> <p>The Parish Council had no objection to this application. However, in view of its support of dark sky policies and initiatives, and the possible impact upon adjacent neighbours, particularly in Wyatt House, it was essential to have a condition that automatic blinds or glazing film be installed on the roof glazing to prevent the egress of light at night.</p>

5. Any Other Planning Matters to Report:

AJ advised that Wisborough Green Sports (WGS) representatives had been chasing Chichester District Council (CDC) planning officers for a response to the pre-application advice. As a result, he attended an online meeting with the CDC Officers, WGS representatives and architects on 25th June 2020. CDC had concerns about the bulk of the building but advised that

a redesign was not required; a solution was possible if some adjustments were made. AJ therefore attended a further session with the architects to consider options to satisfy CDC. The proposed changes were positive for the Parish Council in that the bar area receded further into the building reducing the extent across the Green and the glass box became subservient to the rest of the building. Other changes discussed were to reduce the bulk of the building. Further opinion would be sought from the Planning Officer before further consideration by the Parish Council.

6. CDC Interim Housing Policy Statement:

The policy was to guide housing development in the Local Plan area until the Local Plan Review was adopted. A response to the consultation was required by Friday 10th July. The NP Review Steering Group had reviewed the implications for the NP Review but had made no specific consultation comments. The Clerk had been unable to speak to Cllr Evans, District Councillor, to ascertain if any concerns had been raised by other Parishes in the north. It was agreed that the Clerk should follow up on these enquiries and circulate further details; the response was delegated to the Clerk.

7. Coronavirus Update:

The playground had been opened on Saturday 4th July following the release of government guidance. The playground could not be regularly cleaned but had been sprayed with anti-viral treatment which lasted for 30 days in all weather conditions. The Parish Council's insurance company had been informed that the playground was open. Signs had been displayed to encourage social distancing and hand/equipment sanitising. The Risk Assessment had been circulated for review prior to the opening and members now formally approved the document.

As it was impractical to clean the playground, members agreed that it should be anti-viral treated on the recommended 28 day cycle at a cost of £180; this cost would also include the public toilets which members agreed was beneficial. To be treated for 3 months and reviewed at the October Parish Council meeting.

AJ had visited the playground at the weekend and expressed the Council's grateful thanks to MW for his research and supervision of the new surface installation. AJ felt that the colouring contrasted well with the grass and existing black wetpour and was a huge improvement in appearance, safety, and use. SR also reported positive feedback.

8. Date of Next Meeting:

Parish Council Meeting on Tuesday 21st July 2020 at 7.45 pm on Zoom.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.46 pm.

Signed by the Chairman:

Date: