

Wisborough Green Parish Council

Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting

Date: Tuesday 7th April 2020

Present: Mr A Burbridge (AB), Mr P Drummond (PD), Mr A Jackson (Planning Committee Chairman), Mr M Newell (MN), Mr M Watson (MW)

Apologies: Mrs J Dandy (JD), Mr H True (HT)

Held in: Held virtually via Zoom due to Coronavirus

In Attendance: Mrs L Davies (Parish Clerk)

Members of Public: None

The Chairman opened the meeting at 8 pm.

1. Apologies for Absence:
Apologies were received and accepted from Mrs Dandy and Mr True.
2. Declaration of Members' Interests:
PD advised that he was an acquaintance of the Dounhurst Barn applicant and having spoken to him about the application, would withdraw from the meeting. MW advised that the Dounhurst Barn agent was also acting on his behalf. AJ advised that his property overlooked the fields mentioned in item 5. No other interests were declared.
3. Public Participation:
No members of public had requested to join the meeting.
4. New Planning Applications:
The following applications were reviewed and discussed.

Application Number	Application Details
WR/20/00725/TCA	Mr Burgin School Cottage, School Road, Wisborough Green, RH14 0DU Notification of intention to fell 1 no. Apple tree <u>No Objection</u>
WR/20/00627/FUL	Mr G Andrews Dounhurst Barn, Skiff Lane, Wisborough Green, RH14 0AA Demolition of barn and construction of 1 no. dwelling as an alternative to Class Q Prior Approval (LX/18/03014/PA3Q) (resubmission of WR/19/02298/FUL) Members resolved that the Parish Council would object to this application.

WR/20/00627/FUL continued	<p>Being an alternative to the Class Q Prior Approval, this application now represented a new dwelling in the countryside and therefore contrary to both Chichester Local Plan (Policy 45 & 46) and Wisborough Green Neighbourhood Plan Policy.</p> <p>The building design was unattractive, neither barn nor house, and not in keeping with the rural environment; and therefore contrary to Neighbourhood Plan Design Standards Policy.</p>
WR/20/00810/LBC - Case Officer: Derek Price	<p>Mr James Austin Sparr Farm Skiff Lane Loxwood RH14 0AA Insulation to internal face of external walls and roof in lieu of approved external insulation with internal alterations. O.S. Grid Ref. 504229/127265 <u>No Objection</u></p>

5. Access Restrictions – Newpound Lane to Durbans Road:

A village resident had emailed to highlight that an access across farmland had recently been closed off and was requesting the Parish Council to formalise as a public right of way; details had been circulated. Members understood the need to close the access due to the sheep. Although a popular walking route used for many years over set-aside farmland, members noted that this access was an informal route and not a public right of way. The landowner’s support for allowing part of the land for village event car parking was noted. It was therefore agreed that before any further enquiries were made, the landowner should be contacted to establish his intentions. Resident to be advised.

6. Any Other Planning Matters to Report:

There were no planning matters, but due to the current Coronavirus situation the Clerk provided the following update:

- A volunteer scheme had been publicised and established in the village. There were now over 60 volunteers registered with 11 households being helped.
- Although people were self-distancing, it was observed that the village green was quite busy at the weekend. Members felt that as long as people were following the self-distancing advice, using the Green for daily exercise was permissible and no further action was required at the present time.

7. Date of Next Meeting:

Virtual Parish Council Meeting on Tuesday 21st April 2020 at **7.30 pm**.

The Clerk advised that legislation had been changed to allow meetings to be conducted virtually and she would be issuing guidance notes shortly to help manage the meeting; the link would be made publically available. The Chairman emphasised the importance of members being fully briefed in advance to limit unnecessary discussion and give clarity to decisions.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.35 pm.

Signed by the Chairman:

Date: