

## **RINGMER PARISH COUNCIL**

### **MINUTES OF PLANNING MEETING**

**Held on Thursday 24 January 2008 Ringmer Village Hall**

**PRESENT:** Cllrs. Kay (Chairman); Mrs J Fordham; A J Grindley; Mrs V Humphrey; Ms P Lewis; P Longhurst; A R Peters; Mrs E Pitts; R B Truman; K White; R Wilcox; I Wilson; and Mrs Woollons.

There were three members of the public present.

#### **1. APOLOGIES ACTION**

1.1 All councillors were present.

#### **2. MINUTES**

2.1 The Minutes of the Planning Committee of 29 November, 13 December 2007 and 10 January 2008 were agreed subject to 'eastwards' being amended to 'westwards' an action point 07/01/46 of the minutes of 29 November.

2.2 Regarding minute 8.1 of 29 November it was agreed to write to the County Council pointing out that limiting consultation on the 'Accessibility Statement' to online users meant that many people were potentially denied the opportunity to comment.

**Clerk  
08/01/01**

#### **3. PUBLIC QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS**

3.1 The Chairman drew attention to the planning applications to be considered and invited questions or comments from the members of the public present in relation to the applications before the meeting and other planning matters.

3.2 Mr Cooper commented on the grounds for refusal of application LW/07/1581; the need for rear access to the new surgery; and the need to put forward an alternative site for housing development in Ringmer. Mr and Mrs Tebbutt explained the background to application LW/07/1538.

3.3 The Chairman reconvened Standing Orders.

#### **4. ACTION POINTS – Appendix 1**

06/07/26 CPRE landscape character statement: there was no progress to report.

- 07/11/47 Strategy for residential development – public consultation: the Chairman confirmed the intention to undertake this alongside the planned consultation regarding affordable housing provided the timescale remained appropriate.
- 07/12/48 Proposed remedial works to Forges Roundabout: it was reported that a letter had been sent to District Cllr. Gardiner and copied to the County Council. It was agreed to discharge this action.

## **5. PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED – Appendix 2**

- 5.1 The Committee considered the Planning Applications that had been received and its recommendations are set out below.

### LW/07/1538 – The Orchard, Uckfield Road – erection of organic farm shop and restaurant

It was agreed to recommend permission on the basis that the application met Council's employment policy (EMP7) as approved by Lewes District Council, subject to the following conditions:

- the car park surface to be porous to reduce run-off;
- hours of opening to be regulated in accordance with normal shop hours;
- car park lighting to be low level.

### LW/08/042 – 10 Christie Avenue – erection of single storey side extension and conservatory

It was agreed to recommend permission.

## **6. PLANNING CONSENTS, REFUSALS & APPEALS – Appendix 3**

- 6.1 The Committee noted a report of recent decisions by Lewes District Council as set out in Appendix 3.
- 6.2 It was reported that the appeal against the refusal of application LW/07/305 (7E The Holdings, Uckfield Road) for the erection of front and side extensions and balcony had been dismissed.
- 6.3 It was reported that that the appeal against the refusal of application LW/07/365 (Carys Cowshed, Broyle Lane) for the demolition of existing buildings and erection of two detached dwellings had been dismissed.

**7. CORRESPONDENCE**

- 7.1 The Committee noted the correspondence listed in Appendix 4. In addition it also noted the late opportunity to bid for Local Action Team capital funds but agreed there was no suitable project.

**8. ANY REPORTS (by leave)**

- 8.1 Cllr. Longhurst reported that he could not attend the meetings of the Housing Sub-Group and Cllr. Wilcox agreed to take his place.

**9. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

- 9.1 Thursday 28 February 2008, at 7.30pm, The St Mary's Room, Ringmer Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.55 pm