

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON
TUESDAY 19TH NOVEMBER 2013 AT 7.00PM**

PRESENT: Cllr Alexander (Chairman)
Cllrs Ness-Collins, Bowell & Muncey & Toomey.
Cllr Barling – SO3
There were 16 members of the public present
The Clerk was in attendance.

1.0 APOLOGIES -

1.1 There were apologies for absence from Councillor Lloyd

2.0 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST -

2.1 There were no declarations of personal interest from Councillors

3.0 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

3.1 It was **proposed** by Cllr Alexander and **seconded** by Cllr Lloyd that the minutes of the Meeting held on 5th November 2013 be agreed and **signed** by the Chairman. This was agreed.

4.0 MATTERS ARISING AND ACTIONS

4.2 DC/13/1943 & 1943 - Charlton Mews, Charlton Street – Further details on specifications are awaited from Horsham District Council.

4.1 Report on site visit to Wappingthorn Farm.

Cllr Alexander said that members of the committee had visited the site and were re-assured that most of the objections could be satisfied and they would work with residents. There has not yet been a highways assessment by WSCC and it needs better road signage and traffic manoeuvring control. Concerns over noise and a need for re-assurance over this. Presumption would be in favour of development. The Crops are coming from within the farm itself and from the Ashurst site. Currently they bring in grain from elsewhere with lots of traffic which is seasonal Sept-November. There would be a reduction in overall movement of lorries. We are not the decision maker it is for HDC to determine the figures and value of the product.

- Traffic will come from Huddlestone farm as well. There will also be slurry vehicles. Slurry is not included in traffic report.
- Noise from generator will be a problem and only 200 metres away from property.
- Listed buildings – these tanks then listed buildings will be overpowered by the height.
- Slurry will come in large quantities as the dairy producing it will bring in from elsewhere.
- You have made comment about transportation, vehicle congestion, noise and visual impact, hazard but there are also incidents of explosions with this type of plant.

This was originally sited elsewhere and pleased it has been moved. Main concern is traffic and this is a considerable issue. There is a national policy to encourage this type of plant. Need to get a comment from WSCC Highways.

Committee to write to HDC about residents concerns and ask for them to be looked into.

Cllr Alexander proposed, seconded by Cllr Toomey to write to HDC expressing our remaining concerns and that further consultation is required on highways, hazard issue, figures on traffic

movement, access, conservation report and crossroads and noise report, and despite the moving of the site and lowering of plant there are still residents objections. This was Agreed.

5.0 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

5.1 DC/13/2071 – 1 Market Field – Surgery to 2 x Sycamore and 1 x Holly Tree (Land to the North of 1 Market Field)

No Objection subject to Horsham District Councils Arboriculture Officer's advice

5.2 DC/13/2076 – Chantry Green House, Church Street – Fell 1 x Sycamore tree (Works to trees in a Conservation Area)

Objection – would wish consideration to be given to height reduction and pollarding rather than felling subject to Horsham District Councils Arboriculture Officer's advice

6.0 LATE PLANNING APPLICATIONS

None for this meeting

7.0 ENFORCEMENT NOTIFICATIONS

7.1 None for this meeting

8.0 PLANNING DECISIONS FROM HDC

AGREED

DC/13/1836 – 6 Coxham Lane – Extension to ground floor and addition to roof

DC/13/1879 – Footings, Gatewick Farm (Stable Cottage, Kings Barn Farm –

Removal of Condition 2 of DC/13/1223 (Retrospective application for change of use from holiday cottage to residential) so that the house may be occupied as a separate unit of accommodation.

DC/13/1732 – Ashburton, High Street – Retrospective application to rebuild part of existing building and top fit new roof to remaining part of building.

DC/13/0430 – Britons Croft, Charlton Street – Demolition of existing vacant building, formally a care home, erection of 20 local needs affordable housing prioritising older people, flats and communal lounge, arranged in blocks of four around a central spinal road, with associated car parking, bin storage, private and communal gardens.

REFUSED

DC/13/1767 – Haltwhistle, Kings Barn Villas – Proposed first floor addition above existing garage, utility and toilet to form hobby room, and alterations to roof of existing conservatory.

DC/13/1813 – Granary Barn, Wyckham Lane – Proposed side extension and front porch

9.0 CORRESPONDENCE

10.0 DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Tuesday 3rd December 2013 at 7pm.

The chairman closed the meeting at 7.32 p.m.