

MINUTES OF A PLANNING MEETING ON TUESDAY 20th JULY 2010 IN MATFIELD VILLAGE HALL

Present

Chairman M Mackenzie presided, Vice Chairman R Randall, Cllrs J Barsley, B Stanley, R Dafter. Clerk M Powell. One member of the public.

Apologies for absence

Cllr R Carter for a prior appointment. Cllrs C Woodley, I McEwen and Mrs C Cornford for family commitments

Declaration of Interests

Members were reminded that if a member has a ***prejudicial*** interest in an agenda item, this should be declared at the start of the meeting.

Personal interests may be declared at this point or, alternatively, can be declared at the time a specific item is being discussed if that member wishes to speak on the item in which s/he has a personal interest. In case of doubt about such an interest Councillors are advised to contact the Monitoring Officer before the meeting or declare the interest anyway.

Confirm minutes of previous planning meeting of 16th March

The minutes were amended to show the attendees and apologies for absence correctly and then duly approved and signed by the Chairman

Public Question Time

A resident advised she had come to hear deliberations regarding the Crittenden Road application as many trees had been removed and the entrance depth was considerably larger than the plans suggested.

Planning Applications.

10/02036/FUL/SJM OS Plots 3100 & 3600 Crittenden Road Matfield
Retrospective New entrance crossover, drive, fencing and gate
Recommendation-In light of local knowledge it was decided to hold over a decision until the next meeting to allow time for a site visit. Cllr Randall agreed to enquire of the Forestry Commission whether a felling licence had been obtained.

10/01875/House/SEP The Stable Block, Little Dunks Farm Cuckoo Lane
Brenchley
Erection of detached stables and waste clamp
Recommendation-Approval

10/02029/LBC/SEP Masters The Green Matfield
Outhouse, Replace all existing windows with double glazed windows
Recommendation-Approval

10/02191/FUL/CLC The Clays Maidstone Road Matfield (Land to the rear of)
Erection of detached dwelling
Recommendation-Refusal and to ask for a decision by committee
Cllr Barsley declared an interest and whilst remaining in the room took no part in the discussions or vote.

10/02181/FUL/CT21 Chestnut Lane Matfield
Demolition of garage store building and erection of single storey building
Recommendation-Refusal and to ask for a decision by committee

Cllr Barsley declared an interest and whilst remaining in the room took no part in the discussions or vote.

10/02211/FUL/CT1

Burlam Brenchley Road Matfield

Single storey rear extension, replacement garage, vertical tile hanging to sw elevation

Recommendation-Approval

Decisions taken by TWBC

10/01534/House/SEP

Chapel House Maidstone Road Matfield

Renew roof covering over rear kitchen including lowering the pitch, demolish existing outbuilding and replace with log cabin

Recommendation- Approval Decision-Approval

10/01599/FUL/GM2

Elmhurst Farm Dundle Road Matfield

Creation of new agricultural access to Elmhurst Farm and associated works

Recommendation- Approval Decision-Approval

10/01590/FUL/SJM

The Oaks Farm Hatmill Lane Brenchley

Erection of car port

Recommendation- Approval Decision-Approval

Matters Arising

South East in Bloom

The PC applied for a grant for a contribution to the SE in Bloom. Unofficially we have heard we have been granted £175.00 Cllr Mrs Cornford would be asked to canvas local shops in Matfield as to what they would prefer.

Correspondence

BTCV

Details of the Tree Warden Scheme and a request for a donation together with details of the Pond Warden scheme. The matter was discussed and it was agreed to contribute £50 with Cllr Randall remaining as our Warden. The Clerk was also asked to research the Men of The Trees scheme which was considered a benefit to the Parish.

KALC

Copies of Parish News Issue 348 were distributed.

Accounts for payment

E.R. Barham	Repairs to pavilion	£77.00
Small Loads Ltd	Bark for playground	£250.28

Other Matters

Brenchley Tree

The area under the tree in Brenchley is becoming untidy and overgrown. Although an offer by the landlord of The Bull to maintain it in exchange for permission to erect an advertising sign there was gratefully received it was thought it was the responsibility of the PC and it should employ someone to do this. The Clerk was asked to contact people he knew in the area to see if help could be found. The PC would then replant at the appropriate time.

Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be on Monday 2nd August in Brenchley Memorial Hall. It will be preceded by a meeting of the Finance sub-committee at 6.45pm