

MINUTES OF A PLANNING MEETING OF BRENCHLEY PARISH COUNCIL ON TUESDAY 20th AUGUST 2013 IN BRENCHLEY MEMORIAL HALL

Present Chairman M Mackenzie presided, Vice Chairman P Randall, Cllrs B Stanley, C Woodley, I McEwen, A de Guingand, Mrs G Warner, and Mrs N Marriott. Clerk M Powell. Five members of the public.

No Item

1 To accept apologies for absence

Cllr N Woodward for a family holiday.

RESOLVED: - To accept these apologies.

2 To approve Minutes of the last meeting

Approve minutes of the full meeting of 5th August.

Item 8.3 was amended to correct a spelling error and 11.12 was amended to remove Cllrs Stanley, Marriott and Warner names and that responsibility for Brenchley Memorial Hall resided with Cllr Woodward only. They were then agreed as accurate and duly signed by the Chairman.

3 To record declaration of Interests on any item on the Agenda

Members were reminded that if they had 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 had been advised to contact the Monitoring Officer before the meeting.

4 To adjourn to allow public participation- questions and comments

Three of the five members of the public spoke in relation to application 5.1 all opposing the proposal for various reasons including overdevelopment, an increased roof height, light pollution and overlooking the adjoining property.

5 To consider the following planning applications.

- 5.1 13/02082/FUL/HW1** Priory Cottage Sophurst Lane Matfield
Demolition of dwelling and replacement with chalet style dwelling
RESOLVED: - To recommend Approval

- 5.2 13/02106/House/HW1** Weirleigh, Gedges Hill Matfield
Replacement detached garage.
RESOLVED: - To recommend Approval

- 5.3 13/2157/TPO/DMD** Moatlands Manor Watermans lane Paddock Wood
Wellingtonia-Remove low split hanging branches. Cypress-Fell. 2 Limes-fell one and reduce height by 40% of other
RESOLVED: - To recommend Approval

6 To receive items for information

6.1 Decisions taken by TWBC

- 6.11 13/00215/FUL/GM2** Burrs Hill Farm Horsmonden Road Brenchley
Replacement agricultural storage building including controlled atmosphere fruit stores
Recommendation-Refusal Decision-Approval

- 6.12 13/01669/House/CP3** 3 Brattles Grange Cottages Tibbs Court Lane Brenchley
Garden Outbuilding
Recommendation-Refusal Decision-Approval

- 6.13 13/01794/House/HW1** Eldon Foxhole Lane Brenchley
Single storey rear extension
Recommendation-Approval Decision-Approval

6.2 Appeals

6.21 13/00635/FUL/SB44 Parkwood Farm, Cryals Road Matfield
Erection of detached house and garage and alterations to an existing building
An informal hearing will take place on 23rd October at 10.00am in the Town Hall

7 Correspondence

7.1 Victim Support

Advice of the charity's work in the community, a request for financial assistance and an invitation to an inaugural fund raising Ball. The PC was unable to support this request through lack of surplus funds.

8 Reports of Meetings attended by Councillors

8.1 Matfield Pavilion Management Committee.

Cllr Woodley reported that a meeting was held on 7th August. The main decision made was that the club preferred to leave the official opening of the pavilion until June or July of next year. It was also hoped that Derek Underwood would accept an invitation to officiate. A decision on the preferred design of clock tower was deferred.

8.2 TWBC Planning Committee

The Chairman reported he had attended the above meeting to hear the decision regarding the Burrs Hill Cold Store proposal. There was one speaker in favour and eleven against. It was very disappointing that there were no questions allowed from the speakers and very few of consequence were raised by the Committee. He felt the process was flawed and this subject should form part of the questions to be put to James Freeman of TWBC when he visited in September.

8.3 Car Parking

Cllr Stanley reported that the resurfacing of the lower section of the Memorial Hall car park was complete and parents of the school had been advised of the need to park there.

9 To be advised of urgent Business as may be previously notified.

9.1 Christmas Lights

A further 900 lights had been purchased to improve the display at Matfield and to start some decorations in Petteridge. It was proposed that to do justice to the work an increase in budget was required to fund a cherry-picker and further cabling.

RESOLVED: - That an increase was acceptable of between £250 and £500.

10 Accounts for payment

10.1	M Powell	Salary & Expenses	£1563.56
10.2	Post Office	Tax & NI	£356.86
10.3	Playsafety Ltd	Playground inspection	£103.20
10.4	E.On	Electricity	£25.44

RESOLVED: - To accept these invoices and to pay them.

11 Date of next meeting

The next meeting scheduled for the 2nd September is cancelled due to a lack of Cllrs. The following planning meeting is 17th September in Matfield Village Hall and preceded by a visit from James Freeman and Mark Stevenson of TWBC Planning.