

**MINUTES OF A PLANNING MEETING OF BRENCHLEY PARISH COUNCIL ON TUESDAY
22nd SEPTEMBER 2015 IN MATFIELD PAVILION AT 7.30pm**

Present

Cllr P Randall presided, Cllrs C Woodley, A deGuingand, N Woodward, Mrs G Warner. Clerk M Powell. One member of the public.

No Item

1 To accept apologies for absence

Cllr Mrs N Marriott for a family holiday, Cllr M Mackenzie for attending another meeting and Cllrs B Stanley and I McEwen for being unwell.

2 To approve Minutes of the last meeting

2.1 Approve minutes of the full meeting of 7th September

Resolved:- To accept the minutes as accurate. They were then duly signed by the Chairman.

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

Members are reminded that if any have a ***prejudicial*** interest in an agenda item, this should be declared at the start of the meeting.

Personal interests could be declared at this point or, alternatively, could 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 have been advised to contact the Monitoring Officer before the meeting.

4 To adjourn to hear reports regarding the Parish Plan

This report was advised later in the meeting but included under this item.

Cllr Woodward reported that these reports as a regular section was thought be suitable as a way to enable the PP to become integrated with the activity of the PC

In future the Leads of the Working Groups (WGs) and/or other Core individuals will be invited to report out to the PC. This agenda item not to exceed 30 minutes

Cllr Woodward noted that the flow of ideas and thinking across those working on the PP is now building consistently - reflecting a growing understanding of the brief.

It was noted that The Bull in Brenchley is for sale. A number of WGs have expressed the value of a public house function in this location and steps are being taken to register this site and function as a Village Asset under the Localism structure - action Cllr Woodley to investigate

The school and BMHC are to be invited to meet a number of the WGs as they are major items, which need to be integrated into the PP

5 To adjourn to allow public participation- questions and comments

None

6 To consider the following planning applications.

6.1 15/506846 Portebello

Demolition and rebuilding on foundations of two wall returns flanking an existing site entrance; repairs to boundary walls; temporary removal of paving bricks at entrance.

Recommendation-Approval

Subject to, as the wall is listed, the entrance not being made wider and the height of the wall not be changed.

6.2 15/506580 Middle Cottage, Brenchley Road Matfield

Underpinning front of property and repair crack in brickwork to front elevation due to subsidence, strengthening of front roof due to forward thrust and insubstantial beams

Recommendation-Approval

- 6.3 15/507230** Skocroft Maidstone Road Matfield
Two-storey side extension
Recommendation-Approval
- 6.4 15/507097** The Elms Crook Road Brenchley
Two-storey side extension with Juliet balcony and single storey rear extension.
Addition of rear dormer, enlarged residential curtilage and replacement access off
Palmers Green Road
Recommendation-Approval
With the note that some trees are being removed and ask if this is ancient
woodland
- 6.5 15/505142** Little Dunks Farm Cuckoo Lane Brenchley
Conversion of redundant former agricultural building into single residential
building. We have recommended refusal but the design has been amended.
Recommendation-Approval

7. To receive items for information**7.1 Decisions by TWBC**

7.11 15/504289 Elmhurst Dundle Road Matfield
Removal of defective studs and midrails to partition between kitchen and
playroom
Recommendation-Approval Decision Approval

7.2 Audit

The annual audit has been received back from the Audit Commission. All is
completely satisfactory and no comments by them have been made.

8 Meetings attended by Councillors

None except that reported in item 4.

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

The Pond was due to be cleared of some of its weeds on the 3rd October. A skip had been
organised. The injecting of the knotweed with weed-killer in the past was looking good
with quite a lot of die-back already happening. It would receive a further dosing in
October.

10 Date of next meeting

Monday 5th October at 7.30pm in Matfield Pavilion