

FRAMFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Planning Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, 3 June 2009, at 7 pm in the Memorial Hall, Framfield.

Present: Maria Naylor (Chair), David Andrews, Peter Friend, Brian Hodge, Rob Newton, Ian Paisley and Eryl Thomas.
In attendance: Ann Newton (Clerk) Public: Two.

1. Apologies.

Rita Redman.

2. Election of a Chairman.

Rob Newton proposed that Maria Naylor be re-elected as Chairman. This was seconded by Brian Hodge and agreed by all present. There were no other nominations.

3. Election of a Vice-Chairman.

Eryl Thomas proposed that Brian Hodge be elected as Vice-Chairman. This was seconded by Rob Newton and agreed by all present. There were no other nominations.

4. Declarations of Interest.

Everyone declared a personal interest in item WD/2009/0994/LB – 'Highlands', Etchingwood Lane, Framfield, as the applicant is David Andrews, a parish councillor. David Andrews declared a prejudicial interest in this same application, being the applicant, and he left the room during the discussions.

The Clerk stated for the record that she is the LEA Governor at Blackboys CE School.

5. Minutes of the Last Meeting for Approval.

It was agreed that the minutes of the meeting held on 13 May 2009 having been circulated, be approved, adopted and signed as a correct record.

6. Planning applications for consideration - (comments denoted in italics and underlined)

- **WD/2009/1036/LD – Use of building a single dwelling unit. Woodcroft, Lewes Road, Blackboys.**
The PC do not support the application. The only 'evidence' that they can put forward is that as far as they were concerned the domestic situation, which apparently necessitated the conversion of the outbuilding into a residential annexe to enable an elderly relative to be cared for in the main house, had not changed. (Obtained under approval WD/2002/1845/FR). The wish to gain severance from the main house is therefore contradictory to that understanding and impossible to support as to all intents and appearances the applicant's situation had not changed.
The only 'evidence' that the outbuilding was being used as a 'separate' dwelling was held by the District Council in that the applicant was paying Council Tax from the month after the original approval! A fact that no one else could be aware of.
The PC would like noted that they are appalled at the lack of inter-departmental communication between the planning and rates departments that enabled this stepping stone to 'sever' the properties to happen very quickly after the original planning approval was obtained which had the condition attached ensuring that a new dwelling would not be created!.
- **WD/2009/1180/F – Single storey extension to the side and rear. Police House, Sandy Lane, Framfield.**
The PC supports the application and believes that the proposals will improve the property with the removal of the flat roof.
- **WD/2009/0846/LB – Repair wall using the current Wealden stones. Glebe Farm, The Street, Framfield.**

The PC supports the application subject to the Conservation Officer's opinion. However, due to the worsening condition of the wall, would ask that a speedy decision be made taking into consideration the safety issues if the wall were to deteriorate any further.

- **WD/2009/0336/F – Construct single storey timber framed brick clad extension to the rear. To enclose part of the alley way of the house with timber framed structure with clear PVC roof. Create a new downstairs window from the kitchen to the side alley way.
14 Palehouse Common, Framfield.
The PC supports the application.**
- **WD/2009/0937/FR – Retrospective application to extend first floor accommodation over previously approved ground floor extension to rear of property.
2 Woodland Cottages, Pump Lane, Framfield.
The PC supports the application.**
- **WD/2009/0990/F – Erection of four single storey stables, tack room and hay/feed store.
Field OS 1310, lane at Hammonds Green Farm, Sandy Lane, Framfield.
The applicant was in attendance to ask the PC for their support.
The PC supports the application but asks that if WDC is minded to approve, a condition be added to restrict the stables for private use only.**
- **WD/15/TC – Consultation under Article 13 of the Town and Country Planning (GDP) Order 1995. The installation of a 12m telegraph pole supporting a 3m metal pole and one square panel antenna.
Blackboys CE School, School Lane, Blackboys.
The PC supports the application.**
- **WD/2009/0994/LB – Alterations to form rear staircase up to attic.
'Highlands, Etchingwood Lane, Framfield.
David Andrews left the meeting room during consideration of this item.
The PC supports the application and hopes that these new proposals will meet with the Conservation Officer's approval.**

7. For Information.

David Andrews re-joined the meeting.

WDC Approvals

- WD/2009/0509/F – Installation of sand school and stable block.
Palehouse Farm, Palehouse Common, Framfield.
- WD/2009/0510/F – Construction of below ground swimming pool.
Palehouse Farm, Palehouse Common, Framfield.
- WD/2009/0531/F – Demolition of existing garage and proposed ground and first floor extension to existing property plus internal alterations.
2 Pumpwood Cottages, Pump Lane, Framfield.

Appeals

Land at Paygate Farm, Eastbourne Road, Uckfield – the appeal has given planning permission for the stationing of a mobile home. Taken to read by Eryl Thomas.

8. Any Other Business at the Discretion of the Chair.

- Brian Hodge stated that he would draft a response to the Planning Inspector on the appeal on High Tree House.
- WDC: Consultation event on the SE Plan's Partial Review in respect of Gypsies and Travellers – Wednesday, 24 June 2009, 4.30-6.30 pm, Uckfield Civic Centre. Brian Hodge to attend.

9. Next Planning Committee Meeting: scheduled for Wednesday, 24 June 2009 at 7 pm in the Memorial Hall, Framfield.

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