

FRAMFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Planning Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, 16 September 2009, at 7 pm in the Memorial Hall, Framfield.

Present: Maria Naylor (Chair), David Andrews, Peter Friend, Rob Newton, Ian Paisley and Eryl Thomas.

In attendance: Ann Newton (Parish Clerk).

Public: None.

At the meeting, the order of the items on the agenda may be varied in line with public speaking. However, the minutes are detailed in the order of the agenda.

1. Apologies.

Brian Hodge.

2. Declarations of Interest.

There were none.

3. Minutes of the Last Meeting for Approval.

It was agreed that the minutes of the meeting held on 26 August 2009 having been circulated, be approved, adopted and signed as a correct record.

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

- **WD/2009/1781/F – Erection of stables and barn to serve smallholding plus change of use to provide equestrian sand school.**

Black Meadow, Hollow Lane, Blackboys

The PC objects to the application on the following grounds:-

- *Over-development in an AONB - large amount of new development (stables, barn and sand school) on an otherwise untouched field.*
 - *The application seems to be for an unrelated selection of different uses all new to the site.*
 - *There is currently no small holding on the site for this stables and barn to serve.*
 - *This application is more intrusive on the AONB than the previous one.*
 - *Concerns over the vehicles accessing the site via the proposed entrance, which is down a narrow, rural lane near to the bridge and adjacent access to the angling club car park.*
- **WD/2009/1876/F – Conversion of farm buildings to create two residential dwellings.**
High Cross Farm, Eastbourne Road, Uckfield.
The PC is supportive of the application but would hope that although the buildings are not listed that the Conservation Officer could have some input to ensure a good quality, sympathetic conversion.
 - **WD/2009/1860/F – Change of use of former nursery building to annexe.**
Fir Tree View, Easons Green, Framfield.
The PC objects in principle to this application as it has grave reservations about the seemingly continued development of this overall site. It seems to have gone beyond the terms and conditions that the original permission granted to this gypsy family. The building in question has devolved from the original dog kennel permissions, granted and renewed for temporary consent, to a residential annexe.

However if WDC is minded to approve this application the PC would want to see the following conditions imposed as detailed in the submission by the agent:

The annex building shall only be occupied by Mrs Maria Elliott and shall not be occupied by another person without prior written consent of the Planning Authority to ensure that the annex does not become a separate residential dwelling unrelated to the existing residential accommodation.

- **WD/2009/1721/F – Retrospective application for change of design to dormer roof to new extension.**
1 Woodland Cottages, Pump Lane, Framfield.
The PC supports the application, which brings number 1 Woodland Cottages once again in line with number two!

5. For Information.

WDC Approvals:

WD/2009/1365/F – To convert Jubilee Cottage back to 1 Jubilee Cottages and 2 Jubilee Cottages. This has been achieved by bricking up and reinstating a wall that was knocked through on the ground floor between the 2 back reception rooms to make a doorway. Jubilee Cottage, High Street, Blackboys.

WDC Refusals:

WD/2009/1303/F – Erection of new building for B8 use with parking. Tylers Yard, Lewes Road, Blackboys.

Appeals Decided:

High Tree House – Allowed.

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

- WD/2009/1653/F – A new single storey extension pre-school and associated external works. Framfield C of E School, The Street, Framfield.
Eryl Thomas commented that a copy letter had been received from the architects clarifying the implications for the use of the Hall arising from the planning application in response to the PC's comments.
- Blackboys School Broadband 'Mast'. Concerns have been raised by some of the residents of The Green over the siting of the 'mast'. These concerns have been directed to ESCC and a meeting has been held on site. A further meeting is to be arranged once ESCC have checked on the possibilities for resiting the mast. If a new site can be agreed by the residents a new planning application will be submitted. However, the current mast will be activated at the of September as planned but will be deactivated if new mast is erected.

7. Next Planning Committee Meeting.

Wednesday, 7 October 2009 at 7 pm in the Memorial Hall, Framfield.

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