



HEADCORN PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Planning and Licensing Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 9th May 2018 at 7pm in Long Meadow, Village Hall, Headcorn.

Those present: Cllrs Davies, Dungey, James, Pyman, Selby, Walker S. Cllr C Walker arrived at 7:04pm

Clerk: Caroline Carmichael

Two members of the public were also present.

1.
 - a. Apologies for absence there were none recorded.
 - b. To seek notification on whether anyone intends to film, photograph or record any items of this meeting. There were none recorded.
 - c. Declaration of changes to the register of interests: There were none recorded.
 - d. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest or other interests as defined by the Kent Code of Conduct and the Localism Act 2011 on any items on the Agenda: There were none recorded.
 - e. Requests for Dispensations: There were none recorded.
 - f. Declarations of Lobbying: There were none recorded.

2. **Public session** (minute book closed)

3. **The minutes of the meeting held on April 23rd 2018** were duly approved and signed by the Chair.

4. **Matters arising from the last meeting.**

Hammerstream – The Clerk gave a brief update on the action taken by the landowner after discovery that people were unlawfully fly tipping on the site. MBC enforcement officer had also removed the Irish travellers from the site so there is now no unlawful occupation. Site will continue to be monitored.

Junction Wheeler Street/Oak Lane – The Clerk explained that there had been a communication between Kent Highways and Wealden Homes that advised that the highway was not wide enough to accommodate the desired change in the splays. This was not communicated to HPC. Crest Nicholson then completed the work to the agreed drawings. The matter would now be taken up as part of the Parish Council Highways Improvement Plan.

Site Previously Occupied by Locks of Headcorn - The Clerk advised that the site is still being used by Locks. The caravans at the rear of the site are not occupied, they are being refurbished for sale. No further action required.

18 Forge Meadows Headcorn – MBC have advised that an appeal request was received by the planning inspectorate within the required time frame. The Clerk will follow up as there is still no news on the appeal. The Clerk advised that there is a backlog at the Inspectorate.



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APP/U2235/C/17/3189217 Acers Place Lenham Road Headcorn the Clerk will advise outcome of appeal in due course.

Traders Car Park – No further updates in this regard. The matter will be brought back to the committee as things develop.

The Meadows Appeal - the Clerk will be attending all four days of the appeal and the office will be closed. The committee agreed that Councillors would accompany the Clerk. The Clerk to agree with those concerned.

River Sherway – The Clerk will follow up on this matter with the Internal Drainage Board.

18/501277/FULL Land Rear of the Hardwicks Grigg Lane Headcorn Kent – The Clerk advised that the application had been withdrawn but a further application is anticipated. The Clerk advised that other avenues concerning the nursery provision were being explored but at this time there was nothing to report.

It was agreed that no further statement by HPC would be issued at this time.

5. Correspondence other than planning application.

There was no correspondence

6. Planning Applications to be considered

18/501461/FULL Little Hearnden East Sutton Road Headcorn Ashford Kent

Construction of a new swimming pool and a terrace.

18/501462/LBC Little Hearnden East Sutton Road Headcorn Ashford Kent

Listed Building Consent to construction of a new swimming pool and a terrace.

The Committee discussed the above applications simultaneously. The committee wish to see the applications approved subject to compliance with any recommendations the conservation officer may make.

Referral to planning committee is not required.

18/501844/FULL 15 Brooklands Headcorn Ashford Kent TN27 9QS

Erection of a single storey rear extension.

The committee reviewed the application and it was noted that that the dwelling is in Flood Zone 2 and given the events on the 30th April 2018 when that area saw significant water ingress that the committee would be guided by the advice of the Environment Agency.

The applicant will be required to submit flood proofing/resilience and resistance techniques. Given that application indicates that the dwelling is to be occupied by an individual with limited mobility, it is essential that the above is sought prior to the granting of any permissions.



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The Committee therefore agreed to approve the application, subject to compliance with EA requirements.

Referral to planning committee is not required.

18/502021/FULL Touchwood Farm Love Lane Maidstone Headcorn TN27 9HJ

Proposed agricultural building for the housing of sheep, storage of machinery and storage of hay.

The committee noted the following:-

1. The proposed building would not be sufficient to provide accommodation for the livestock and the storage of machinery and hay.
2. The site plan indicates that the site is in two parts and it is not clear how the plots are allocated and in whose ownership the land is.
3. There is no provision made for the disposal of commercial waste
4. A business plan should be submitted, the committee do not agree that this is a viable business proposition.
5. Clarity over the occupant's status on the land is required. The application states that current use is agricultural, there are however currently two mobile homes occupying the site. These are not detailed in any of the plans.
6. There is a moveable tea room shown on the proposed site plan, the use of this building needs clarification.
7. The land at this site is known to have flooded in recent history – January 2015. Pictures are attached. No provision is made for the safety of livestock in case of flood.
8. It is felt that 2 hectares is insufficient area to support the amount of livestock that is proposed.

The Committee therefore feel that there are too many inconsistencies to properly determine this application and ask the officer to seek clarity on the above matters before resubmitting the application for consultation.

7. Planning results

The Planning results were reviewed by the committee. No further action required.

8. Planning Appeals to be considered

There are no appeals to consider.



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9. Matters for information, urgent matters at the discretion of the Chairman for noting only or any items for discussion at future meetings.

There were no matters for discussion.

There being no other matters for discussion the meeting closed at 19:50 hrs

Signed.......... Date.....21-5-18.....