

**MINUTES OF HORSMONDEN PARISH COUNCIL**  
**PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD BY REMOTE CONFERENCING**  
**AT 7.30 P.M. ON TUESDAY, 16 MARCH 2021**

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**Present via remote audio/video conferencing:**

Cllrs Richards, Davis, Jenkinson (by phone), Larkin, March, Russell, Sheppard and Stevens (by phone)

**Non-attendance:**

Cllr Hunn

**In attendance:**

Lucy Noakes (Clerk), Jackie Stanton (Assistant Clerk)

Jim Boot joined regarding item 5 – Draft Neighbourhood Plan

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

None

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Declarations of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests in accordance with the Code of Conduct were invited.

None

**3. PUBLIC SESSION**

**Members of the public have the right to speak for up to three minutes at the Chair's discretion on issues concerning the Parish providing the Clerk has prior notification.**

None

Cllr March proposed and Cllr Sheppard seconded that item 5 – Neighbourhood Planning – New Draft Document for Review - should be brought forward to allow Jim Boot's attendance prior to having to leave for another meeting. Unanimous.

The draft Neighbourhood Plan had been circulated to councillors which included the previously requested revisions. This was discussed and some further questions will be forwarded to Jim Boot.

Some discussion related to the possible provision of a village or community hall. A working group will be set up comprising Cllrs Russell, Davis and Larkin and possibly Cllr Jenkinson to consider gathering information about the requirements of any such facility in the future.

Cllr Russell proposed that the Parish Council agree to the current draft going forward for its health check subject to a further report back to the Council by Jim Boot about the queries and also a report back to the Council after the health check; seconded Cllr Larkin. Unanimous.

The Clerk will email Jim Boot with further comments raised by the Council after he had left the meeting.

## 4. PLANNING

### a) Applications/Submissions:

<b>Planning Application:</b>	20/03805/FULL
<b>Proposal:</b>	<a href="#"><u>Demolition of existing dilapidated garage and replacing with new oak frame carport structure</u></a>
<b>Location:</b>	3 Elphicks Farm Cottages, Spelmonden Road, Horsmonden, Tonbridge, TN12 8EL
<b>Recommendation</b>	Acceptance
<b>Proposal</b>	Cllr March; seconded Cllr Stevens. Unanimous
<b>Comments</b>	Propose acceptance as a suitable replacement garage with car port which should be in line with the Horsmonden Parish Council Sustainability Policy.

<b>Planning Application:</b>	21/00223/FULL
<b>Proposal:</b>	<a href="#"><u>Ground mounted solar installation of 1350 panels.</u></a>
<b>Location:</b>	August Pitts Farmhouse, Churn Lane, Horsmonden, Tonbridge, TN12 8HW
<b>Recommendation</b>	Acceptance
<b>Proposal</b>	Cllr Stevens; seconded Cllr Sheppard; Unanimous
<b>Comments</b>	Propose acceptance on the grounds that it is an acceptable addition to the current site and will make good use of the power. This should be in line with the Horsmonden Parish Council Sustainability Policy.

### b) Applications Granted and Refused.

#### GRANTED

20/03554/FULL – 49 Orchard Way, Horsmonden

20/03668/FULL – Bassetts Farm Fishery, Churn Lane, Horsmonden

21/00060/FULL – Apple Tree Cottage, Maidstone Road, Horsmonden

#### REFUSED

None

**5. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING – New draft document for review**

Discussed above.

**6. PC2-21 – MODEL DESIGN CODE – Consultation – response by 27 March 2021** - the Council will defer to NALC and KALC's comments.

**7. OTHER PLANNING MATTERS (Discussion only – No decisions)**

None

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9:05 pm