

MINUTES OF HORSMONDEN PARISH COUNCIL
PLANNING MEETING HELD IN HORSMONDEN VILLAGE HALL, HORSMONDEN
AT 7.30 P.M. ON TUESDAY 25TH APRIL 2017

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Present: Cllrs March, Russell, Jenkinson, Larkin and Richards

In attendance Lucy Noakes (Clerk) and 1 member of the public present.

Declarations of Interest: Declarations of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests in accordance with the Code of Conduct were invited. None were recorded

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllrs Davis, Stevens, Holloway and Isaacs.

2. PUBLIC SESSION

Mr Watson wished to speak about TW/17/01064/PAYPH. He reiterated that he thought the council should recommend refusal of BT's application to remove the kiosk as the service for mobile phones in the village was variable and therefore he felt it was critical for emergency calls as well as for the use of those who did not have a mobile. He believed that the accident insurance would cover the cost of replacing the kiosk therefore it was an opportunity for BT to replace the kiosk at no cost to them. He also felt that if it was replaced with a K6 type kiosk, it would be more prominent in the village and would be a heritage landmark.

3. PLANNING

3.1 Applications/Submissions:

Planning Application No:	TW/17/01064/PAYPH
Proposal:	Permanent removal of payphone
Location:	Crossroads The Heath Horsmonden
Recommendation:	Refusal
Proposal:	Cllr Russell, seconded Cllr Jenkinson. Unanimous.
Comments:	The Parish Council feels that the public telephone provides a facility for the village and passing traffic for use in emergencies which is also there for elderly parishioners who do not have a mobile phone, and in any event the strength of the phone signal is variable in the village. The kiosk would be an appropriate means of activating the parish emergency plan in the event of this being needed. Furthermore to maximise availability the equipment in the replacement kiosk should be coin operated.

Planning Application No:	TW/17/01186/FULL
Proposal:	Proposed demolition of existing front & rear porches. Erection of rear single storey extension and new front porch
Location:	Rowan Cottage School House Lane Horsmonden
Recommendation:	Approval
Proposal:	Cllr Richards, seconded Cllr Jenkinson. Unanimous.
Comments:	A reasonable extension to the property.

3.2 Applications granted and refused.

Applications Granted

TW/17/00349/FULL – Bramley Cottage, Back Lane
 TW/16/07889/NMAMD – Spelmonden Farm, Spelmonden
 TW/17/00441/20 Hoath Meadow, Back Lane
 TW/17/00669/FULL – Barn 30m S of Yew Tree Green Farmhouse, Yew Tree Green Road
 TW/17/0061/FULL – High Banks, Marle Place Road.
 TW/17/00623/FULL – 8 Diamond Field, Spelmonden Road
 TW/17/00115/FULL – Boundary Farm, Marle Place Road
 TW/16/07886/FULL – The Barn, Haymans Hill
 TW/17/00408 /FULL – Quince Cottage, School House Lane

Applications Refused

TW/15/505597/FULL – OS Plot 2952, Maidstone Road.

3.3 Other planning matters (discussion only - no decisions)

It was requested that the clerk investigate if there has been any further information on the application at the fishing lakes at Grovehurst Lane, as the last the PC have not heard the outcome of the Appeal yet.

Cllr March said she had not yet heard when the application TW/17/00763/FULL Land west of the Maidstone Road, for 17 homes near to Kirkins close was to be heard at committee level.

Cllr Larkin said that she had heard from a parishioner that there was a potential enforcement issue at the cottages at Lewes Heath. Clerk to investigate.

Cllr Larkin had received a copy letter form a parishioner which stated that teh environment agency had been considering a reservoir near to Share farm, but that this was no longer being considered. She would forward a copy to the clerk for information as teh parish had not heard anything prior to this about this issue.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.00pm