

MINUTES OF HORSMONDEN PARISH COUNCIL
PLANNING AND ADMINISTRATION MEETING HELD IN HORSMONDEN VILLAGE HALL,
HORSMONDEN
AT 7.30 P.M. ON 24TH JULY 2012

Present: Cllr March (Chair), Cllr Parker, Cllr Kerrigan, Cllr Russell, Cllr Stevens, Cllr Jones and Cllr Davis (Cllr Jones had to leave the meeting at 8.50pm to attend another engagement.)

In attendance: Clerk (Lucy Noakes), no public.

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

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Cheesman.

2. PUBLIC SESSION

No public present.

3. PLANNING

3.1 Applications/Submissions:

Planning Application No:	TW/12/01841/LBC/RH1
Proposal:	Listed Building Consent: To retain removal of damp concrete floors and reconstruction in concrete to contain damp proof membrane; removal of 3 No breeze block walls in kitchen; install new boiler; replacement of 3 No windows to North elevation; boarding over lath and plaster wall in bathroom and rearrangement of bathroom to include shower already carried out
Location:	The Lindens, Rectory Park Road, Horsmonden, Tonbridge.
Recommendation:	Approval
Proposal:	Cllr Stevens seconded Cllr Davis. Unanimous
Comments:	Suitable renovations to preserve the building. Subject to the Conservation architect's approval.

Planning Application No:	TW/12/01858/CEU/LS1
Proposal:	Lawful Development Certificate(Existing)-Residential use in non-compliance with the agricultural occupancy conditions(Condition 2 of SW/6/48/66 and Condition 1 of SW/6/49/18)
Location:	Grovehurst Farmhouse, Grovehurst Lane, Horsmonden
Recommendation:	Neutral
Proposal:	Cllr Davis, seconded Cllr Jones. Unanimous.
Comments:	The Parish Council don't have enough information about the proven occupation of the inhabitants, but if TWBC officers are minded to approve the removal of the Agricultural occupancy condition, the PC would want to see a condition placed on the annexe to link it permanently to the house, so that they cannot be sold separately.

3.2 Reports of Applications Granted and Refused

Applications Granted

TW/12/01468/LBC – School House Farm, School House Lane, Horsmonden.

TW/12/01469/HOUSE – Bainen Acres, School House Lane, Horsmonden

4. **Horsefair –Sunday 9th September 2012**

The Clerk reported to the Council that she had received a completed booking form and deposit cheque for £250 from the organisers of the Horsefair; however she had not yet had any insurance. Park Insurance had not yet been approached by Mr Vine for insurance. PC White, the liaison officer, had broken her hand which had caused some delay in chasing the insurance details; however it would now be dealt with as quickly as possible.

A discussion took place about the deadline for acceptance of the Insurance documentation. It was suggested that the Council set a deadline of Friday 27th July for receipt of this, as the last working day prior to the six week deadline stated at the top of the Village Green booking form. However, Cllr Kerrigan felt that a deadline of 6 weeks prior to an event taking place was too long and could be restrictive for parishioners who may wish to book the Green at shorter notice for an event, leading to a lack of diversity. Cllr Kerrigan raised the point that by imposing a strict deadline for the insurance, relationships could become jeopardized. She also pointed out that the Council should take care to ensure that Parishioners needs were not overridden by the Council's administrative restrictions.

It was proposed by the Chair that the Council allow the organisers until midday on Friday 27th July to provide the Insurance details for booking the Green for the Horsefair. Two councillors voted for this proposal, Cllr Kerrigan voted against and three Councillors remained neutral. Cllr Jones left the meeting at this point, as he had another meeting to attend.

It was then proposed from the Chair that the Council should accept the Horsefair organiser's booking of the Green for Sunday 9th July, subject to the Insurance documentation being received by the Council. Unanimous.

5. **Parish Council Website**

The Clerk had forwarded from Shaun Speirs, a link to the new website which he had been preparing. Members of the Council had accessed the new site and had been very impressed by the layout etc. It was proposed by Cllr Davis that the new website be allowed to be put live subject to various corrections and amendments which had been emailed through to Mr Speirs, and that the old website be discontinued. Unanimous

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.56pm.