

# FRANT PARISH COUNCIL

## THE MINUTES OF A MEETING TO DISCUSS PLANNING MATTERS HELD AT FRANT MEMORIAL HALL, FRANT ON MONDAY 2 JULY 2018 AT 7:30PM

**Present:** Cllr Crookshank (Acting Chair)  
Cllrs Rowland, Stevens and Macdonald-Brown

Mrs. R. Karim (Clerk)

**1. To receive apologies.**

Apologies were received from Cllrs Mrs. Best, Mrs Park, Mrs Howell, Mrs Wallis and Rutherford. Apologies were accepted.

**2. Declarations of Interest.**

None.

**3. Public forum.**

There were no members of the public present.

**4. To consider licence and planning applications received and make recommendations.**

- **WD/2018/1155/FA – Land at Melfort Farm, Wadhurst Road, Frant, TN3 9EH**  
Minor material amendment to WD/2016/1709/F (removal of one large redundant farm complex and associated hardstanding and replacement with three dwellings designed in the vernacular style).

Councillors noted that this was indeed a minor amendment to the original scheme and they agreed to support this application.

- **WD/2018/1189/F – Gate House, The Green, Frant, TN3 9DN**  
Proposed double-storey rear extension and loft conversion with dormer window.

There was discussion around the contemporary style of the proposed extension and also the location of the site within the Conservation Area. Consideration was given as to what impact there might be on the character and appearance of the Conservation Area. It was agreed that the extension was well designed, using an interesting mix of materials and would not be readily discernible in public views. It was agreed that there would be no harm to the Conservation Area as a result of this scheme.

**5. Applications determined by Wealden District Council**

- **WD/2018/1189/F - The Gate House, The Green, Frant, TN3 9DN**  
Proposed double-storey rear extension and single storey first floor extension.  
*Approved on 9<sup>th</sup> August.*

Noted.

**6. To approve the Minutes of the Planning Meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> June 2018.**

The Minutes were approved as a true and accurate record.

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**7. To approve accounts payable.**

The accounts were approved.

**8. Any other business.**

Cllr Wallis noted that there were several very low branches protruding off the trees near the village hall in Bells Yew Green. It was agreed that the Clerk would follow up this up with Treework. **Action: Clerk**

Cllr Park said she had been made aware that a substantial area of shrubland had been cleared at the Benhall Mill Road side of the Nevill Golf Course, with a view to a planning application being submitted for housing, with access on to Benhall Mill Road. Cllr Rutherford said that this area had not been approved by Wealden DC as a potential site for housing development during the recent call for sites exercise.

Cllr Park asked who was responsible for keeping the noticeboards in the Parish up to date. It was noted that this was the Clerk and that any items to be posted in any of the noticeboards could be forwarded to her.

Cllr Rutherford said that the Eridge Estate had agreed to provide the Parish Council with a long lease for a parcel of land in Eridge to be used as a green, at a peppercorn rent. However, the Estate had asked whether the Parish Council would be willing to cover their legal costs. It was agreed that the Parish Council would be prepared to pay for the Estate's reasonable legal costs.

There being no other business, the meeting ended at 8.35pm.

Signed: ..... Date: .....