

FRANT PARISH COUNCIL

THE MINUTES OF A PLANNING MEETING HELD ONLINE VIA 'ZOOM' ON MONDAY 7TH DECEMBER 2020 AT 7:30PM

Present: Cllr William Rutherford - Chair
Cllrs Crookshank, Steadman, Luther, Park, Macdonald-Brown, Best

1. To receive apologies

Apologies were received from Cllrs Wallis and Howell and the Clerk.

2. Declarations of Interests on items on the agenda

Cllr Luther advised that her neighbour was the applicant in WD/2020/2301/F. Prior to the meeting, Cllr Howell advised that she would not attend planning meetings because of her position as Chair of Planning Committee North, Wealden District Council.

3. Public forum (15 mins)

None.

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

- WD/2020/2301/F & 2302/LB – Stone House, The Green, Frant, TN3 9DN

Refurbishment of an existing cart shed outbuilding in the curtilage of the listed Stone House to provide a garden office space with the addition of a lean-to oak log store to the north elevation.

The Parish Council supported this application.

- WD/2020/2217/FA – Land at the rear of 4 Strawberry Close, Tunbridge Wells, TN2 5PD

Minor material amendment to application WD/2019/1533/F (erection of a 3-storey building comprising 9 apartments and provision of associated parking) involving a variation of condition no. 13 in order to extend and alter the ground floor layout and fenestration.

The Parish Council opposed this application. A retrospective application that sought to expand the application that sought to expand the size of the developed space was felt to be “creep” by the developer. The Parish Council had objected to the original application as overdevelopment of a sensitive site, and by changing the size of individual units the developer was changing the mix of housing, and changing the nature of the original application.

- WD/2020/2225/FA - Court Lodge Farm, Bayham Road, Bells Yew Green, TN3 9BN

Minor material amendment to application WD/2018/1007/F (conversion of rural buildings (the subject of a certificate of lawful use as a single dwelling WD/2017/2521/LDE), to provide 5 dwellings, being 4 x 3-bed units and 1 x 2-bed unit, parking and access to Bayham Road, involving a variation of condition no. 25 in order to remove the car ports from plots 2 and 3 and rearrange the site layout.

The Parish Council accepted that these were minor alterations to the layout of the larger plot rather than to the buildings on the site and thus had no objections.

5. To approve the accounts payable

The following payments were approved:

Item no.	Payee	Item	Cheque No.	Amount
1	N. McGregor-Gould	November: bus shelters and playground sprays, remove and replace bins, various repairs	3340	£555.00
2	Netwise	Annual support package for website and emails- Jan 21- Jan 22 Inv 1934	3341	£360.00
3	R.Karim	Salary, mileage and expenses	3342	£1,112.54
4	S.Crookshank	Reimbursement from Henry Smith fund for parcel for local family	3343	£98.48

6. Urgent issues at the discretion of the Chairman, for discussion only

No issues were raised.

There being no other business, the meeting ended at 8pm.