

FRANT PARISH COUNCIL

THE MINUTES OF A PLANNING MEETING HELD ONLINE VIA 'ZOOM' ON MONDAY 8th MARCH 2021 AT 7:30PM

Present: Cllr Crookshank – Deputy Chair
Cllrs Luther, Macdonald-Brown, Best, Park, Steadman

Mrs Rosie Barnes – Clerk/RFO
Ms Louise Carey – Kember Loudon Williams
Mr Philip Gowling - Developer
One member of the public

1. Enquire whether anyone present intends to film, photograph and/or record the meeting.

The Clerk said she was recording the meeting in audio and would destroy the recording once the draft Minutes were issued.

2. To receive apologies.

Apologies were received from Cllrs Rutherford and Howell.

3. Declarations of Interests on items on the agenda.

None.

4. Public forum (15 mins).

Ms Carey addressed the Parish Council and, in referring to a letter from Kember Loudon Williams (previously circulated) explained the key points (see Appendix 1). Mr Gowling reiterated the main points and both noted that once work had started on site, various opportunities to maximise the use of space became apparent.

Cllr Park referred to the original comments submitted by the Parish Council to Wealden District and Council and said that it had been felt that the scope of amendments seemed material enough to warrant a fresh application. Cllr Steadman queried why the scheme had changed, given the site levels had not. Ms Carey responded that the elevations in the approved scheme did not accurately reflect the situation on site. She noted that while the description on the application refers to 'amendments' it was in fact a full application and Mr Doug Moss, at Wealden District Council, had been party to the validation process

Cllr Crookshank thanked them for attending the meeting but said the Council would not make any further comments and the Minutes would be available for the public to read.

(Ms Carey and Mr Gowling left the meeting at 7.46pm)

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

- WD/2020/2536/FR – The Barn, Bunny Lane, Frant, TN3 9BY

Change of use from retail shop and storage to retail shop and storage with associated internal and external alterations, including retrospective permission for mezzanine storage area.

No objections were raised and the application was **approved**.

- **WD/2021/0240/F – The Paddock, South West of Deer Park Cottage, Mayfield Rd, Frant, TN3 9HS**
Stable with hay store, concrete apron, track and turning head.

No objections were raised and the application was **approved**.

- **WD/2020/2158/LB – Mastigate, High Street, Frant, TN3 9DS**

Smarten up the area at the front of the house. This will involve replacing current patio/paving area and front steps. To replace the tarmac driveway with either resin bound, tar and chip or block paving. To remove the old steps on the driveway.

Cllr Steadman said he was a neighbour of the applicants.

No objections were raised and the application was **approved**.

- **WD/2020/2143/LB – 40 High Street, Frant, TN3 9DU**

Removal of internal load-bearing wall and replacement with steel beam over, blocking up of existing door opening between kitchen and lounge.

Cllr Luther noted that the material for the windows was given as a wood 'effect'. Given this, it was agreed that the scheme would be **supported** but that comment be made for the Conservation Officer to consider closely the materials to be used in the scheme.

6. To approve the accounts payable

The following payments were **approved**.

Item no.	Payee	Item	Cheque No./BACS	Amount
1	Niall McGregor-Gould	Play park cleans, bus shelter cleans	BACS	£330.00
2	Staff	Expenses	BACS	£110.53
3	Mulberry & Co.	2020-21 Interim audit Inv 17104	BACS	£216.00

7. Further matters at the discretion of the Chairman, for discussion purposes only

Cllr Park reported that 284 surveys had been returned she expected to be able to report back at the meeting in April.

There being no other business, the meeting ended at 7.52pm.