

**Draft Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting of Chidham & Hambrook Parish Council held at Chidham Village Hall on 17 October 2019 at 7.00pm**

Present: Cllr S Bramwell Smith Cllr M Gilby (Vice Chair)  
Cllr R Gowlett Cllr J Sheppard

Also present: Dr Z Williams, resident of the parish

*Meeting opened at 19:00pm*

In the absence of the Chair, the Vice Chair chaired the meeting.

052-19 **Apologies for absence**

Apologies had been received from Cllrs P MacDougall and J Towers.

053-19 **Declarations of Interest**

No declarations of interest had been received.

054-19 **Minutes**

**Resolved** that the minutes of the Planning Meeting held on 19 September 2019 be approved as a correct record. The Chair signed the minutes.

055-19 **Public Open Forum**

Dr Z Williams spoke on planning application 1 CH/19/02279/TPA having submitted her comments to the Clerk. She was concerned at the noise, light pollution and wildlife disruption which would occur with the cutting down of these trees/hedges. The Clerk advised that she had received a note from the district council that this application (CH/19/02279/TPA) had been closed as the affected Hawthorn hedgerow was not included in the Tree Preservation Order so the application was not required.

The committee suggested that this matter be considered by the Council's Tree Councillor and tree wardens and that they be requested to have a look at the area. It was confirmed by Dr Williams that the Millennium tree had been cut down. The Council had submitted an enforcement request to the district council on this matter.

Dr Williams also spoke about traffic and speed in Broad Road and was advised to report her concerns on the Love West Sussex website. The Clerk informed her that the Council had recently received funding to install 2 Speed Indicator Devices (SIDs) in Broad Road.

056-19 **Planning Applications**

056-19.1 CH/19/02340/FUL

**Resolved:** that the committee had no objection to this application and no comment to make.

056-19.2 CH/19/02152/DOM

The committee noted WSCC Highways' comments relating to visibility splays at the proposed new access to this property.

**Resolved:** that the committee had no objection to this application and it endorses the Harbour Conservancy's stipulations should the application be approved, particularly the condition relating to the double garage being used as parking/domestic storage ancillary to Wight Cottage and that it is not sold, let or occupied as a separate dwelling or for tourism occupation. The committee would also comment that that any construction vehicles should be contained within the property's boundaries and not along the busy A259 due to sight and traffic considerations and not to hinder the use of the bus stop.

056-19.3 CH/19/02153/DOM

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056-19.4 CH/19/02216/DOM

The committee considered the various letters which residents had sent in to the district council and which had been copied to the parish council. There was concern at the application which sought to extend the parking area for the property into the agricultural land. The committee also discussed the filling in of the ditch which neighboured on the Old Post Office at an area well known for flooding. Cllr C Archer and the owner of the Old Post Office were currently considering their options along with district councillor Mrs P Plant.

**Resolved:** that the committee strongly objects to this retrospective planning application on the grounds that the agricultural land boundary needs to be protected as well overdevelopment which will affect neighbouring properties. The extension to the drive plus parking area is to support the holiday let which is the subject of an enforcement matter. We object to what we see as a blatant disregard for planning decisions made by the district council, especially in the area of the AONB.

056-19.5 CH/19/02580/DOM

The committee did not have any strong feeling about this application but suggested that it be regularly monitored to ensure that the site was not overdeveloped.

**Resolved:** that the committee had no objection to this planning application but would comment that the site be regularly monitored to ensure that it was not overdeveloped.

056-19.6 CH/19/02585/DOM

**Resolved:** that the committee had no objection to this application but would comment that it would be concerned if in the future a further application was submitted with additional re-roofing/glazing considerations to the consented plan due to the concern over light spillage during evenings and night-times (dark skies policies).

057-19 **Planning Decisions**

The planning decisions were noted and comments made as follows:

CH/19/01914/DOM – PERMIT

The committee had commented on the close proximity of the extension to the boundary of the next door property. The guttering of that extension may extend beyond the boundary and could leak on the fencing of the neighbouring property however this could be legally challenged.

CH/19/01871/DOM – PERMIT

The committee had commented that it supported the Harbour Conservancy's suggested conditions. These conditions re light spillage, agreed materials, hedgerows and planting to be retained and been applied to the decision notice.

058-19 **Planning Appeals**

058-19.1 Current planning appeals conducted by the District Council were noted and it was noted that the two appeals relating to Paddock View had been withdrawn.

059-19 **Planning enforcement**

The Clerk had reported the posters at Chidham Lodge Nursery but had not yet had a response. The Vice Chair advised that there were other enforcement matters in the parish area which were briefly discussed.

060-19 **Chair's Report**

The Chair was not present.

061-19 **Next meeting**

The next meeting will be held on **Thursday 21 November 2019.**

Meeting closed at 20:19pm

Signed by:

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Signed: (Chairman)

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