

Minutes of a meeting of the **PLANNING and DEVELOPMENT**  
Committee held in the Council Offices, Pine Grove, Crowborough  
on Monday 25th April 2022 at 7.30pm

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Present	Councillors	Martyn Garrett Richard Jury George Moss David Neeves Alan Penney* Ron Reed Matthew Street	Chairman     Vice - Chairman
Also present		Minute Taking Administrator	Tracie White
		1 members of public in the chamber	

\*Denotes non-attendance

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#### **APOLOGIES**

Cllr Alan Penney

#### **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None

#### **MINUTES**

Minutes of the meeting held on the 4<sup>th</sup> April 2022

- 9731** **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> April 2022 as confirmed be ratified by the Chairman with the amendments noted above.

The Chairman moved to hear Item 4.6 at the start of the meeting due member of public being present with an interest in this item.

#### **NEW PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

- 9732** **RESOLVED** that the observations on planning and licencing issues below be submitted to the Planning & Licensing Authority for consideration.

**Application No. WD/2022/0387/LDE Application Type: Lawful Development – Existing Use**  
**Location:** STABLE COTTAGE 1, HOURNE FARM, HOURNE LANE, CROWBOROUGH, TN6 2DZ

**Description:** CONSOLIDATION OF EXISTING USE AS A C3 DWELLING HOUSE

**Town Council Comments:** THE Town Council has no evidence to offer.

**Application No. WD/2022/0270/FR Application Type: Full**

**Location:** ALICE BRIGHT LANE, CROWBOROUGH, TN6 3SQ

**Description:** REPLACE DILAPIDATED POST AND WIRE FENCE ALONG ALICE BRIGHT LANE BOUNDARY WITH THE SAME MATERIAL AND SPECIFICATION. INSTALL CHESTNUT POST AND RAIL FENCE TO THE NORTH, SOUTH, AND EAST BOUNDARIES. RESURFACE AND EXTEND EXISTING HARD STANDING TO FACILITATE SAFE TURNING OF VEHICLE WITHIN FIELD AND EXIT FROM EXISTING GATE.

**Observations: Recommends Refusal**

**Town Council Comments:** Refusal recommended due to the first and second schedule outlined in the Article Four Direction issued by The Wealden District Council (Land at Alice Bright Lane, Crowborough), Direction No.1, 2022

**Application No. WD/2022/0460/F Application Type: Full**

**Location:** 70 BRIDGER WAY, CROWBOROUGH, TN6 2XE

**Description:** PROPOSED 'CATSLIDE' ROOF AND GARAGE CONVERSION OVER SINGLE STOREY REAR EXTENSION AND FRONT PORCH EXTENSION.

**Observations: Recommends Approval**

**Town Council Comments:** The Town Council has no comment.

**Application No. WD/2022/0395/F Application Type: Full**

**Location:** LOUCLARE, WESTERN ROAD, CROWBOROUGH, TN6 3EH

**Description:** SINGLE STOREY REAR EXTENSION.

**Observations: Recommends Approval**

**Town Council Comments:** The Town Council has no comment.

**Application No. WD/2022/0447/F Application Type: Full**

**Location:** THE TWITTEN, BENINGTON, SOUTH VIEW ROAD, CROWBOROUGH TN6 1HF

**Description:** ERECTION OF DETACHED DWELLING WITH ASSOCIATED CAR PARKING AND LANDSCAPING

**Observations: Recommends Refusal**

**Town Council Comments:** Refusal recommended as the twitten already has access issues and adding a fourth property to the location will only exacerbate these. The twitten is well used by residents and allowing construction traffic to use it will present a danger to pedestrians. The council is also concerned about the loss of mature trees.

**Application No. WD/2021/2806/F Application Type: Full**

**Location:** 29 THE FARTHINGS, CROWBOROUGH, TN6 2TW

**Description:** PROPOSED SINGLE-STOREY, FLAT ROOF, REAR EXTENSION, INCL SKYLIGHT & BI-FOLD DOORS. PROPOSED PARTIAL CONVERSION OF EXISTING GARAGE TO STUDIO SPACE INCLUDING NEW PATIO DOOR. PROPOSED RETAINING WALL IN REAR GARDEN AND REPLACEMENT FENESTRATION, EXISTING=BROWN UPVC, PROPOSED=BLACK UPVC.

**Observations: Recommends: Approval**

**Town Council Comments:** The Town Council has no comment.

**Application No. WD/2022/0423/F Application Type: Full**

**Location:** 2 QUARRY VIEW, WHITEHILL ROAD, CROWBOROUGH, TN6 1JT

**Description:** CONVERSION OF THE EXISTING BUILDING FROM A MIXED C3/F1 USE TO FORM A SINGLE RESIDENTIAL DWELLING

**Observations: Recommends Approval**

**Town Council Comments:** The Town Council has no comment.

**Application No. WD/2022/0587/F Application Type: Full**

**Location:** 14 THE MALLARDS, CROWBOROUGH, TN6 3TF

**Description:** PROPOSED NEW FRONT COVERED ENTRANCE PORCH IN LIEU OF ENTRANCE DOOR ROOF.

**Observations: Recommends Approval**

**Town Council Comments:** The Town Council has no comment.

**Application No. WD/2022/0068/F Application Type: Full**

**Location:** LAND TO THE REAR AND SIDE OF STONE HOUSE AND STONE HOUSE COTTAGE, WHITEHILL ROAD, CROWBOROUGH, TN6 1JU

**Description:** THE RESUBMISSION OF A FULL PLANNING APPLICATION FOR THE ERECTION OF A DETACHED THREE-BEDROOM DWELLING TO THE SIDE AND 2 NO SEMI-DETACHED TWO-BEDROOM DWELLINGS TO THE REAR INCLUDING LANDSCAPING AND CAR PARKING.

**Observations: Recommends Refusal**

**Town Council Comments:** Refusal recommended on the basis that the proposed three bedroom detached house (property one) is overbearing both in relation to existing properties and the two semi-detached properties proposed for the site. A condition was also placed on the original application WD/2020/0209/F prohibiting any windows on the south elevations. This application appears to have overlooked this condition.

**DECISION NOTICES** (attached to agenda)

Noted

**APPROVED STREET NAMES**

Following a recent conversation with Wealden District Council requesting 'themed' names for larger new development, the committee proposed several additional names for the Approved Street Name report:

- Car parks of the Ashdown Forest.
- Bird of the Ashdown Forest (taken from a publication by [www.ashdownforest.org](http://www.ashdownforest.org))
- Historical links to Crowborough(as below)

*Dr Prince* - Charles Leeson Prince was a surgeon, meteorologist and antiquarian born in Uckfield in 1821, retiring to Crowborough in 1872. As a Fellow of the Royal Meteorological and Astronomical Societies, he made observations on the climate of Crowborough Hill, as the Beacon was then known. He concluded it was one of the healthiest spots in the country, and it was a 'conveniently accessible resort for invalids emerging either from London or any of our coast towns.' He recommended Crowborough as a health spa.

*Bloomeries* – An important Roman Road, the London-Lewes way crosses Ashdown Forest, its alignment from the Five Hundred Acre Wood towards Camp Hill being the nearest to Crowborough. This road was probably constructed for the purpose of distributing the products of local iron works. Several small Bloomery sites exist within the parish boundaries in Jefferies Wood, near Redbridge Farm and at Steel Cross

Members recommended that the officer update the report and present it at the next meeting scheduled for verification.

#### **WORKING GROUP AGAINST OVERDEVELOPMENT**

The minutes of the meeting were noted.

#### **URGENT MATTERS AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIRMAN FOR NOTING**

Following correspondence from a member of public, a member raised the issue of protecting and promoting footpaths around the town. The chairman agreed to raise the issue at the next parish panel meeting.

#### **DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING.**

The date of the next meeting is Monday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2022 at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 20:21 hrs.