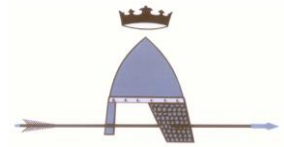




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## MINUTES of a PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING held on Wednesday 28 March 2012 at The Almonry, High Street, Battle at 9.30am

**Present:** Cllr R Jessop - Chairman  
Cllrs: Mrs T Farr, Mrs P Fisher, R Harris and Mrs M Kiloh.

1. **Apologies for Absence** – Cllrs R Bye, J Carter, Mrs M Howell and A Mitchell.
2. **Disclosure of Interest** – None.
3. **Minutes of the previous meeting** held on 14 March 2012. Cllr Harris proposed approval of the minutes, seconded by Cllr Mrs Fisher. This was agreed and they were duly signed.

#### 4. **Matters Arising from Previous Meetings**

The Committee noted an extract from a report to Rother District Council's Services, Overview and Scrutiny Committee on **Localism Act issues**. Whilst confirming consultation with Town and Parishes about the site allocations development plan aspect of the LDF it recorded that Rother do not expect to be in a position to provide resources to either staff or fund help with the preparation of Neighbourhood Plans.

#### 5. **Correspondence & Communications**

The updated **enforcement cases** list was noted. The period of time allowed for requested applications was raised. Regarding Greenacres Farm the Committee noted that two further plots have recently been put on the market with the comment that "... there is potential for a static mobile home.... and long term self build subject to the relevant planning permission".

The **latest list of planning decisions** was noted as attached.

An **appeal** relating to **decking area to rear of property for disabled occupants use (retrospective) at 12 Claverham Close (RR/2011/2243)** had been allowed. The Inspector had imposed conditions that opaque glazed screens be installed at either end of the deck and the boundary fence to number 10 should be re-sited.

**Rother District Council** has issued one **Road Closure Order** encompassing all events relating to the **Queen's Diamond Jubilee event** at no charge to the organisers although individual groups must provide their own Public Liability Insurance. Only **Falconers Drive** in the Town Council's area has requested one in relation to a street party on **4 June** between 10am and 5pm.

#### 6. **To Consider Planning Applications Received**

##### **RR/2011/2158/T (Del) Bowmans Drive**

Line of four Oaks. First trees from path. 20% reduction crown lift of first stage lateral branches and removal of any deadwood.

**Comments:** The Committee could see no justification for this work and was therefore opposed to it.

##### **RR/2012/334/P (Del) 9 Bowmans Drive**

The erection of twin wall flue to the south west gable end of the house to use with multi fuel wood burner (retrospective).

**Comments:** Committee Members felt that the wall flue is aesthetically unpleasing and out of

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keeping with the other properties.

**RR/2012/438/P (Del) 32 Claverham Way**

Vary condition 2 attached to permission RR/2010/2760/P currently under construction to approve minor design amendments.

**Comments:** No objection to this.

**RR/2012/456/P (Del) The Haven, London Road**

Single storey rear extension and two storey side extension.

**Comments:** No objection to this.

**RR/2012/463/P (Del) High Bank, Marley Lane**

Proposed extension to rear of dwelling and extended parking area.

**Comments:** No objection to this.

**RR/2012/474/P (Del) Netherfield Place, Netherfield**

Proposed timber framed garages with storage area over.

**Comments:** The Committee had reservations about this application but agreed to raise no objection subject to a condition being imposed that the use be restricted to as specified and associated only to Netherfield Place.

**RR/2012/489/L (Del) 11 High Street, 1066 Public House**

New signage to front elevation, replacement serving counter, flooring and furniture layouts, air-conditioning units to basement area.

**Comments:** No objection to this.

**RR/2012/504/P (Del) 6 St Marys Villas**

Extension to rear at first floor to form new bedroom. Extension to side at ground floor to form utility room.

**Comments:** No objection to this.

**RR/2012/539/P (Del) Wychmour – land to the side of, Hastings Road**

Proposed relocation of vehicular access by modifying existing agricultural access (separate planning application submitted to Hastings Borough Council for the stopping up of internal vehicular access within boundary of Wychmour Cottage).

**Comments:** Members noted that this property is outside the development boundary and felt that the change from an agricultural access to a more formal residential one would be inappropriate within the rural landscape, notwithstanding the proposed use of grass crete.

## 7. Matters for Information/Future Agenda Items

Cllr Jessop reported on new Government guidance aimed at preventing travellers from setting up illegal sites. These rules will apply to all unresolved cases. He also said that the definition of “sustainable” in new planning rules was being confirmed as appropriate development ie not in green belt, AONB or places of scientific interest. Town centres are also to be supported, including the provision of parking to be enhanced to stop shoppers going out of towns.

## 8. Date of Next Meeting: Wednesday, 11 April 2012

The meeting closed at 10.44am.

Cllr Jessop  
Chairman

